

B♭ BASS CLARINET

MAKING MUSIC MATTER

BAND METHOD

BOOK I: BEGINNING BAND

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This book belongs to:

.....
Name of Bass Clarinetist

Dear Band Member:

Welcome to *Making Music Matter* and congratulations on your decision to learn to play an instrument! You are beginning a journey that promises many rewarding experiences. As you travel along this exciting path, the skills you will learn go beyond learning to play an instrument. You will learn how music can express what words alone cannot. You will experience a joy that only music can bring. You will enjoy the satisfaction of making music with others. So, practice hard, learn all you can about music—its power and its mysteries—and above all, have fun!

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Sit up straight, feet flat on floor...



Left hand position (back). Note angle of left thumb.



Corners in, chin down ...



Fingers naturally curved.

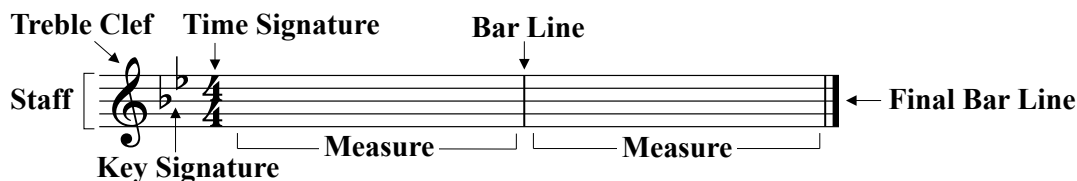


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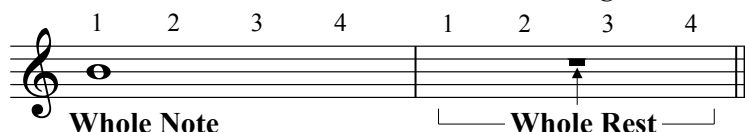
BEFORE THE FIRST LESSON

1. Staff

Below is a five-line **Staff** containing a **Treble Clef**, a **Key Signature** and a **Time Signature**. There are two measures. Each **Measure** is separated from the next by a **Bar Line**, and a **Final Bar Line** is used to show the end of a composition.



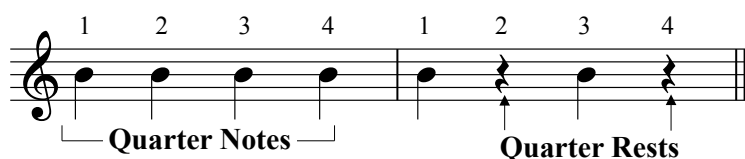
2. Whole Notes & Whole Rests - *each gets 4 BEATS*



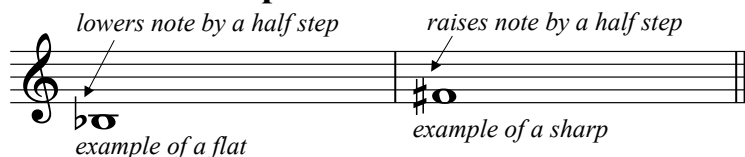
3. Half Notes & Half Rests *each gets 2 BEATS*



4. Quarter Notes & Quarter Rests *each gets 1 BEAT*



5. Flats & Sharps



6. Time Signatures

The Top Number = Number of BEATS in each **Measure**



The Bottom Number shows that the quarter note (shown as the number "4") gets 1 BEAT

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GROUP 2

LESSON 1

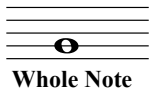
CLARINET FINGERINGS:

The holes shown in black should be covered;
the keys shown in black should be pressed down.

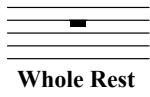
Treble Clef



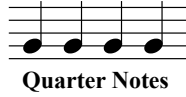
Time Signature



Whole Note

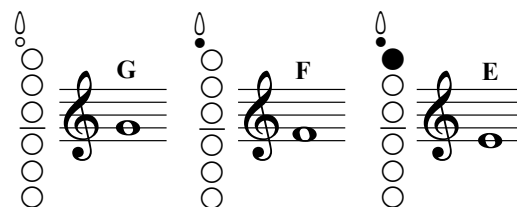


Whole Rest



Quarter Notes

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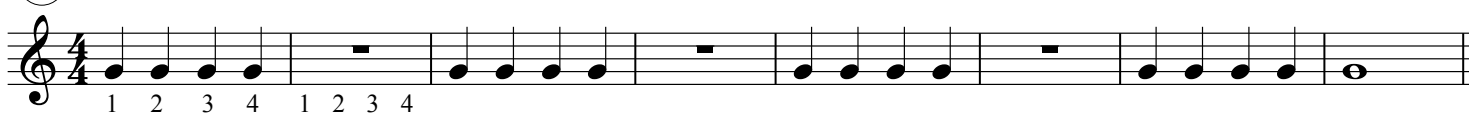
Whole Notes & Whole Rests

Count carefully and tap your foot on each beat.

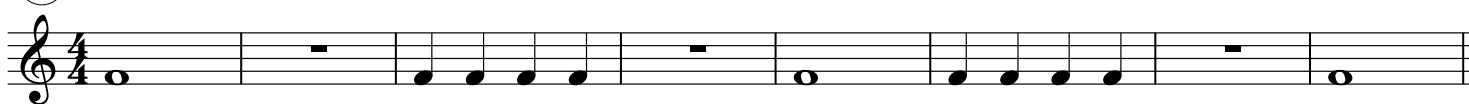


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Quarter Notes



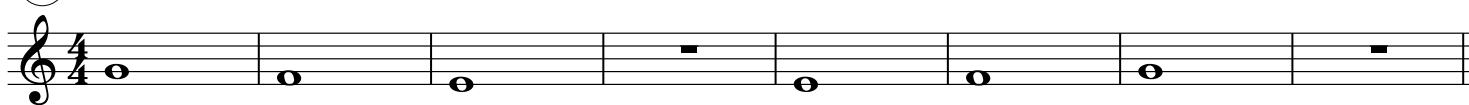
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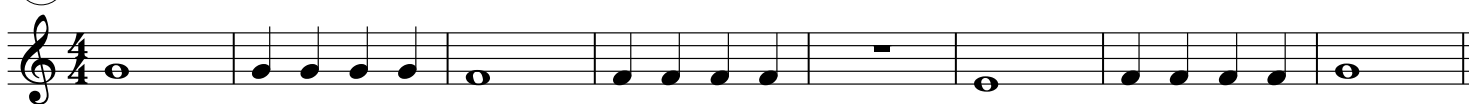
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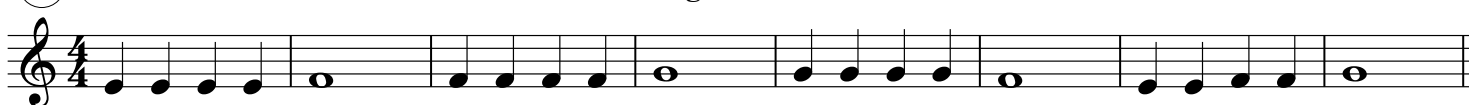


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All Together Now



LESSON 2

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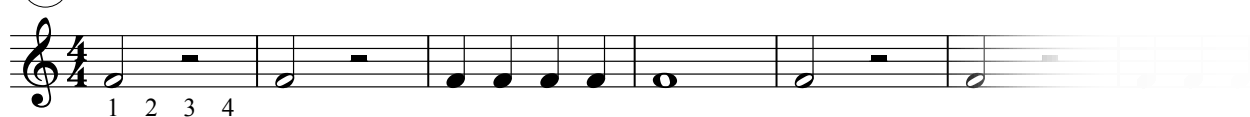

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① **Half Notes & Half Rests**
Count carefully and tap your foot on each beat.



②



③



④



⑤



⑥

Stepping Down, Stepping Up



⑦

Old Man Kelsey

