Basic Rhythrus 1

Name: _____

In music, a time signature (or 'meter') tells us how many beats are in each measure and what kind of note gets the beat. Simple meters are time signatures in which the beat divides into two and can subdivide into four. The time signatures below are all simple meters.

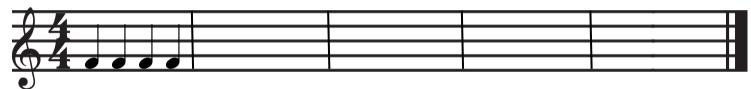
1. This is a whole note. It is worth 4 beats in simple meters. Practice drawing it.



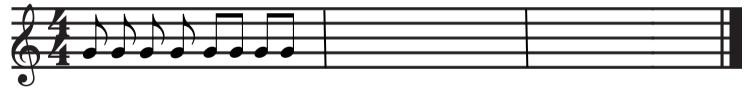
2. This is a half note. It is worth 2 beats in simple meters. Practice drawing it.



3. This is a quarter note. It is worth 1 beat in simple meters. Practice drawing it.



4. This is an eighth note. It is worth 1/2 a beat in simple meters. Practice drawing it-both ways!



5. This is a sixteenth note. It is worth 1/4 a beat in simple meters. Practice drawing it-both ways!



- 6. What note is worth 4 beats in simple meters? _____
- 7. What note is worth 2 beats in simple meters? _____
- 8. What note is worth 1 beat in simple meters?
- 9. How many eighth notes do you bar together to equal 1 beat in simple meters? _____
- 10. How many sixteenth notes do you bar together to equal 1 beat in simple meters? ____

