

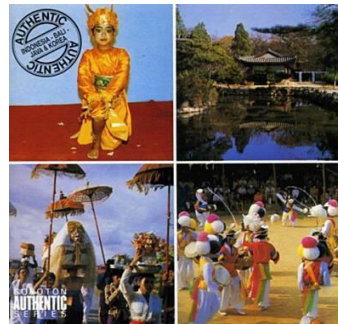
Listen Up!

Listen to this colourful piece of music from Korea called

Tiger Dance

It was composed by **Moon Pyung Hwang** for the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul, Korea.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MRIBZZn0GbY>



The music has got a very strong beat and rhythm. Can you tap your foot in time with the beat?

The instruments playing in this piece are: **Hyangp'iri** - a double-reed wind instrument, **Taegum** – a bamboo flute, **Haegum** – a two-stringed fiddle, **Drums, Cymbals, Gong**.

The music gradually builds up. Listen for four occasions when the drums dramatically stop then start playing again. In each of the four gaps a solo player **improvises**.



Hyangp'iri



Taegum



Haegum



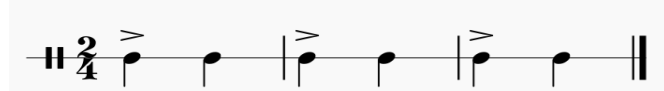
Cymbals



Explore

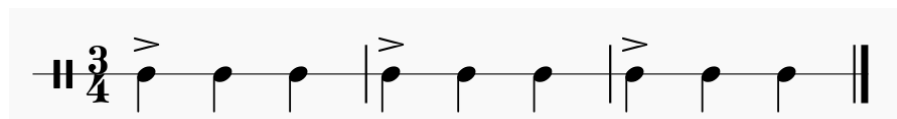
We use **BEATS** to measure musical time. Beats are grouped together to make a repeating pattern, usually in twos, threes or fours.

Two beats to a bar



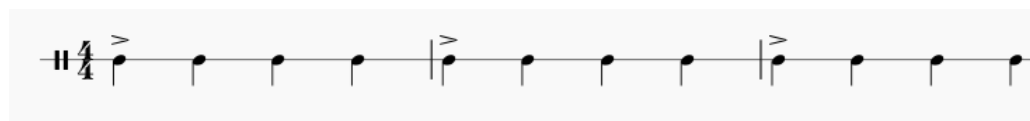
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Three beats to a bar



Count: 1 2 3 1 2 3 1 2 3

Four beats to a bar



Count 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4

Now listen to a Symphony Orchestra playing a piece called **Prelude**. A prelude is an introduction to a larger piece of music. This is the introduction to an **Opera** called Carmen. The music has a strong, steady beat throughout.

Clap along to the beat. Can you keep it steady?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1d4-nDVCN6U>

Listen again. Now clap the beat in the ways shown on the left where the beats are grouped into different beat patterns.

Strongly accent the first beat of each bar with a loud clap, shown by this symbol which is called an ACCENT: >

Which beat-pattern is the most difficult to keep with the music? Why do you think this is?

Key Words:

Improvise: To make something up on the spot without any preparation

Accent: an emphasis, stress or stronger attack on a note

Extras!

The Korean music that you listened to in part one of this lesson is called Tiger Dance because the Tiger is recognised as the national emblem of Korea.

The animals below are all national emblems of different countries around the world. Can you match them up with the list of countries at the bottom of the page?



Lion

Kangaroo

Bison

Springbok

Wolf

Red Squirrel

Serbia

South Africa

Denmark

England

USA

Australia