



Grade 1 - Things you will need to know

Note Values

	Note	Rest	Value
Semi quaver			1/4
Quaver			1/2
Crotchet			1
Minim			2
Dotted Minim			3
Semibreve			4

Tempo (speed)

- Allegretto = Fairly Quick
- Allegro = Quick/lively
- Andante = Moderate walking pace
- Con Brio = With vigour
- Rall. (rallentando) Getting slower
- Accel. (accelerando) Getting faster

Dynamics

- ff- fortissimo - very loud
- f- forte - loud
- mf - mezzo forte - moderately loud
- pp - Pianissimo - very quiet
- p- piano - quiet
- mp - mezzo piano - moderately quiet
- cresc - crescendo - gradually getting louder
- dim - diminuendo - gradually getting quieter
- legato - smooth
- staccato - short /detached

Treble Clef (violin) -



Bass Clef (cello) -



Alto Clef (viola) -



Time signatures

2	3	4
4	4	4

(2, 3 or 4 crotchet beats in a bar)

Key signatures

C major	No sharps			
G major	F#			
D major	F#	C#		
A major	F#	C#	G#	
E major	F#	C#	G#	D#