

Rockin' the Radio

Pop Arrangements and Teaching Strategies for Orff Instruments

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DON'T STOP BELIEVIN'

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Pop rock (♩ = ca. 104)

ORFF I

ORFF II

ORFF III

ORFF IV

TRIANGLE*

SHAKER

DRUM*

* Triangle: Play X notes with the triangle held tightly, to deaden the sound. Play solid notes with an open hand, to let the sound ring.

Drum: Tubano and/or congas are recommended. Play X notes directly on the center of the head. Play solid notes on the edge of the head.

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Musical score for measures 5-8. It consists of four treble clef staves and a grand staff (three staves). The first three staves contain melodic lines with eighth and sixteenth notes. The fourth staff has a sparse melody with rests. The grand staff has a bass line with eighth notes and a right-hand part with whole notes and rests.

A

Musical score for measures 9-12, marked with a repeat sign and a first ending bracket 'A'. It consists of four treble clef staves and a grand staff. The first three staves have melodic lines with eighth notes and rests. The fourth staff has a sparse melody. The grand staff features a complex bass line with eighth notes and rests, and a right-hand part with eighth notes and rests.