

Music for Little Mozarts

Written Activities and Rhythm Patterns to Reinforce Rhythm Reading

The *Rhythm Speller Book 2* reinforces rhythm skills based on the concepts introduced in the *Music Lesson Book 2*. The pages in the book correlate page by page with the materials in the *Music Lesson Book*. They should be assigned according to the instructions in the upper right corner of the pages in this book. They may also be assigned as review material at any time after the students have passed the designated *Music Lesson Book* page.

Each page of the *Rhythm Speller Book* has two activities—a **rhythm-writing** activity and a **rhythm-reading** activity. The written activities reinforce note values and counting through coloring, circling, drawing, or matching. The rhythm-reading activities help students practice:

- Clapping or tapping rhythm patterns while counting aloud.
- Playing rhythms on rhythm instruments or keys on the keyboard.
(Other rhythm instruments can be substituted for those suggested throughout the book.)
- Chanting words based on rhythm patterns.



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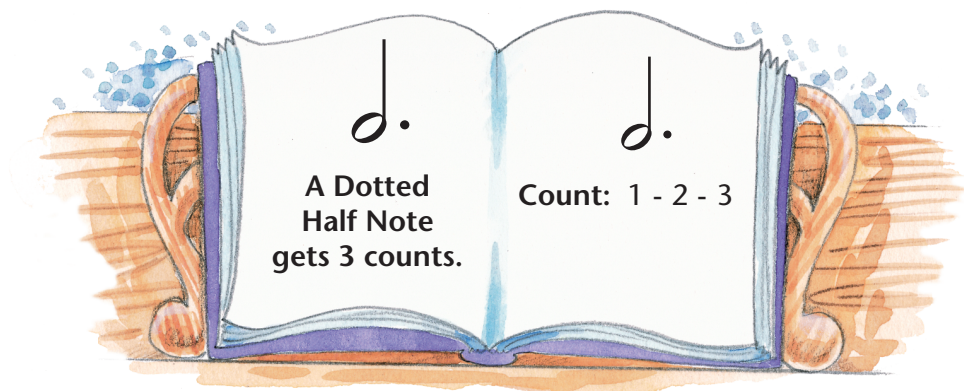
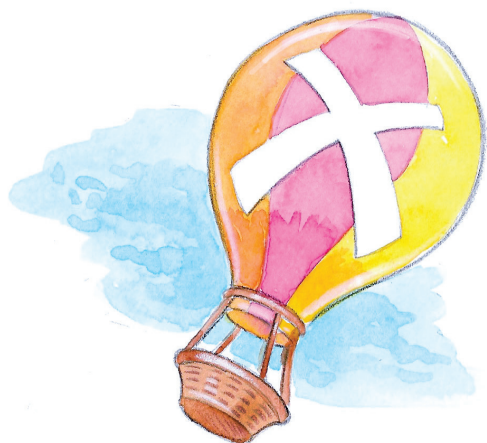
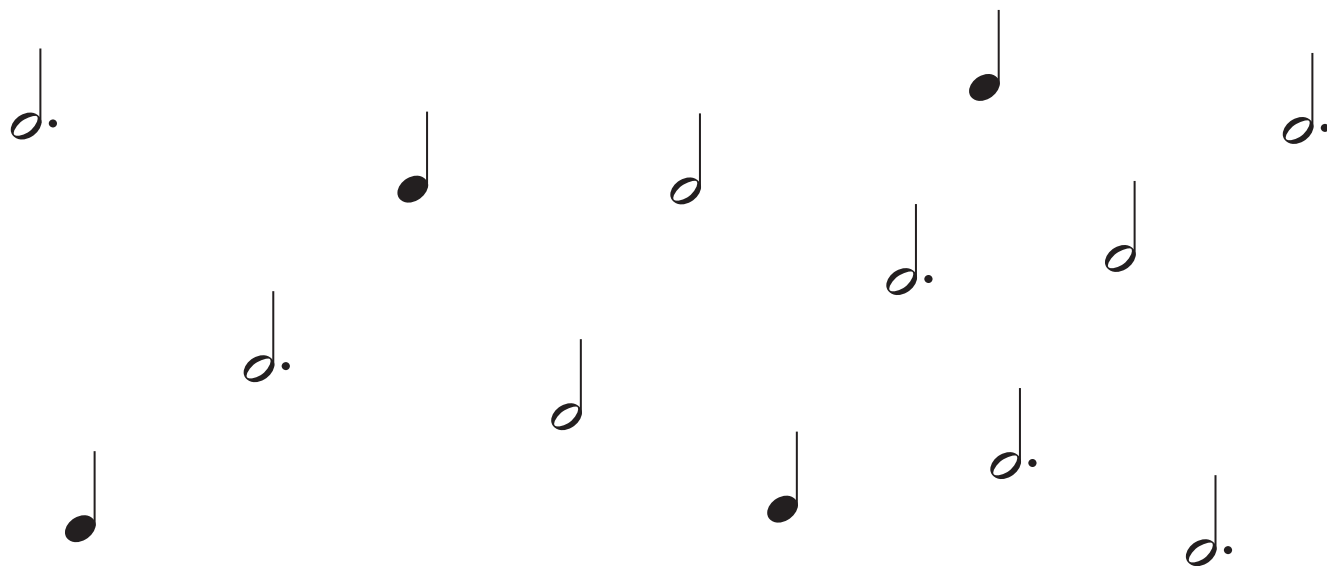
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Rhythm Writing

Circle each **dotted half note** with a **green** crayon.

Draw an **X** through each **half note** and **quarter note**.



Rhythm Reading

1 Tap the rhythm pattern on your lap. Count aloud.

Tap:



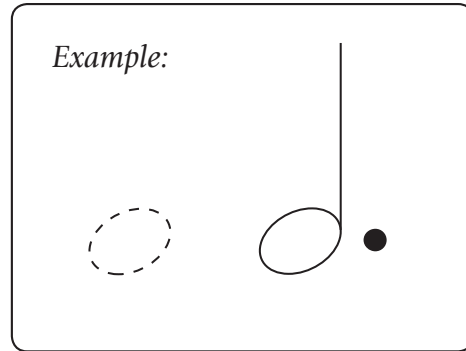
Count: 1 1 1 1 - 2 - 3 1 - 2 - 3 1 - 2 - 3

2 Play the above rhythm pattern with a tambourine.

Rhythm Writing

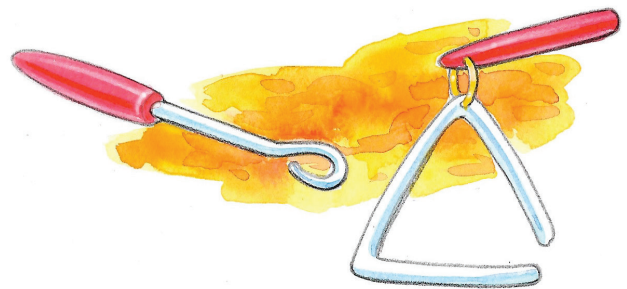
Change each **whole note** to a **dotted half note** by:

- 1 Tracing it.
- 2 Drawing a stem going up on the right.
- 3 Adding a dot on the right.



Rhythm Reading

- 1 Clap and count the rhythm pattern.



Count: 1 - 2 - 3 1 - 2 - 3 1 1 1 1 - 2 - 3

- 2 Play the above rhythm pattern on a triangle.