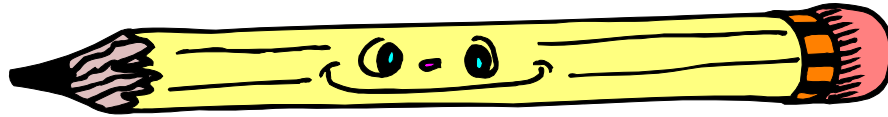


I'm the Artist!

Adolescent's Category



Step-by-step, you are going to write a song.

For this category, we are providing the topic, the rhythm pattern and guidelines for lyrics. Every other decision is made by you, the creator! (Remember, adults can guide, but all the work must be YOURS!)

Basic Composing Steps: *(Be sure to view step-by-step instructions)*

1. Choose a tempo for your song. Slow or fast? _____ You may choose from 3/4 or 4/4 time. Write in the time signature. Choose between the keys of C Major, F Major or G Major.
2. Write a 4 measure rhythm pattern for your verse here:

3. Using the five finger position for the key that you choose in step one, compose treble clef notes that make up your verse melody. Using a pencil, write the notes on the staff. Create a total of eight measures. End on the name of the key.
4. Write your words under your melody notes, with one line of words for each verse. Play and sing the words, working to make them fit.
5. Decide which chords go with your melody. Write the bass chords that fit your key. Play and sing.
6. Repeat steps 2-5 for your chorus.
7. Draw a double bar line at the end of your song.
8. Select a title for your song and write it, along with your name, at the top.
9. Practice your song until mastered, then submit your entry! Have fun!

