



# Music Literacy (tempo)

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# Basic Music Literacy

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Music literacy is a language used to share music through reading and writing.

This language is written using special symbols that tell you what to play and how to play it.



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Tempo is the speed of the music.

Tempo can be fast or slow.

Italian names are usually used to describe tempo.



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**Adagio** - very slow - calm tempo

**Andante** - slow - walking pace

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**Moderato** - medium  
- moderate tempo



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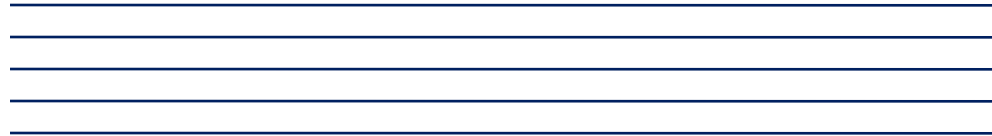
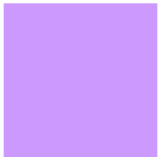
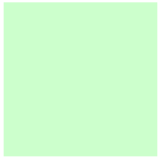
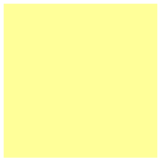
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**Allegro** - fast - lively or cheerful

**Presto** - very fast - hurry



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