The Star Spangled Banner

Music by John Stafford Smith. Lyrics by Francis Scott Key

Key: C

O - say can you see by the dawn’s ear - ly light, what so

proud ly we hailed at the twi - lights last gleam - ing whose broad

stripes and bright stars thro’ the per - il - ous fight, O’er the

ram - parts we watched were so gal - ant - ly stream - ing? And the
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rock - ets red glare the bombs burst - ing in air gave
proof thro' the night that our flag was still there Oh
say does that Star span - gled ban - ner - yet wa - ve O'er the
land of the free and the home of the brave?
Quick Guide to Hummingbird

1. **Learn the helper words**
   
   Each note has a symbol and a “helper word” that describes how that note looks. Say the note name and its helper word out loud to yourself (ie. “A for Above”, “C looks like ‘C’”). Do that twice and you’re set!

   - A: above
   - B: below
   - C: “C”
   - D: dot
   - E: empty
   - F: full
   - G: groove

2. **Test yourself**

   Use your hand to cover up the symbols above, and see if you can read these notes. (Answers at the bottom)

3. **Congrats!**

   You’re reading music! Here’s a summary of some more info. For the full guide and more songs, visit www.HummingbirdNotation.com.