



# Quick Guide to Hummingbird

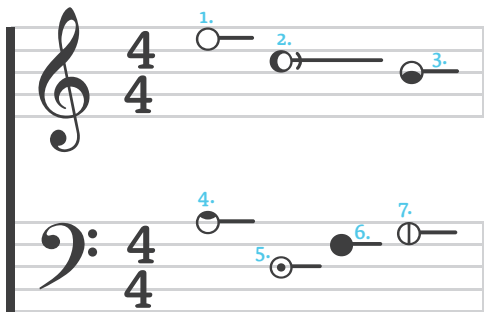
## 1 Learn the helper words

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 the full guide and more songs, visit [www.HummingbirdNotation.com](http://www.HummingbirdNotation.com).

Pitch	Rest		Rhythm
⊕ G: groove	((	Whole	● )) —————
● F: full	(	1/2	● ) —————
○ E: empty	~	1/4	● —————
⊙ D: dot	~	1/8	● or ● ● ● ●
◐ B: below	~	1/16	● or ● ● ● ●
○ A: above	+	1/32	● or ● ● ● ●
♯ Sharp	+		
♭ Flat	≠		