

# Happy Birthday

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the song 'Happy Birthday'. The top staff is in 3/4 time, with notes colored yellow, red, green, orange, and blue. Below the notes are fingerings: 3 3 2 2 3 1 2 3 2 3 1 2. The bottom staff is in 4/4 time, with notes colored blue, purple, red, orange, yellow, and pink. Below the notes are fingerings: 1 2 1 2 3 1 1 2 3 1 2. A treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#) are shown at the beginning of the first staff. A double bar line is present at the end of the first staff. Arrows point from text boxes to the time signature, a bar line, and the end of the piece.

This is a time signature. You'll learn more about them later.

This is a bar line. It separates the music into easy to read chunks called bars.

This bar line tells you that the piece has ended.

Music is read from left to right, like a book. So when you've finished the first line, look ahead to the second line as if you're reading a sentence.