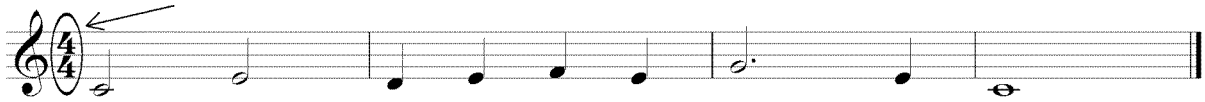
Time Signature

The <u>time signature</u> appears at the beginning of a piece of music. It consists of two numbers, one below the other.



The top number indicates the number of beats in each bar. The bottom number indicates the type of note that receives one beat.

Example One:

3	Three beats per bar
4	The quarter note receives one beat

Example Two:

2	Two beats per bar
2	The half note receives one beat

Example Three:

6	Six beats per bar
8	The eighth note receives one beat

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