

# Music Reading Process

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## ESSENTIAL TOOLS: Metronome and Tuner

### A. RHYTHM

1. Quick Rhythm Check: Scan the music to see if there are any new or challenging rhythms. Figure out how to count these rhythms before proceeding.
2. Count the Rhythm: Count the rhythm of the music using a **METRONOME**.

### B. PITCH

3. Quick Pitch Check: Do a quick check to make sure you know and can read all of the pitches in the music quickly and easily.
4. Note by Note: Play the pitches in the music slowly (not in rhythm) using a **TUNER**.

### C. COMBINING SKILLS

5. Note Names in Rhythm: Speak the note names with fingerings in rhythm using a **METRONOME**.
6. Play: Put your rhythm and pitch work together and then play the music using a **METRONOME**.

**IMPORTANT: Do not move to the next step of the process until your current step is EASY!!**