

# Unit 2 - Musical Literacy and Characteristics of Compositions

Content Area: **Music**  
Course(s): **MD Music**  
Time Period: **October**  
Length: **4 Weeks**  
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## Enduring Understandings

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An individual's knowledge of music notation enhances their ability to read and learn musical compositions in order to perform more effectively.

## Essential Questions

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How does music literacy relate to musical expression?

How does composing music affect the creator?

How does listening to music affect the audience?

What influence does music have on your mood?

## Standards

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| VPA.1.3.8.B.1 | Perform instrumental or vocal compositions using complex standard and non-standard Western, non-Western, and avant-garde notation.   |
| VPA.1.3.8.B.3 | Apply theoretical understanding of expressive and dynamic music terminology to the performance of written scores in the grand staff. |