

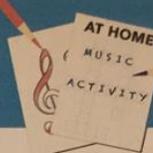
Wednesday, April 29

Performing Arts	
Choir & General Music:	<p>Good afternoon and happy Wednesday Chorus and Music Appreciation students!</p> <p>This week's optional engagements are separated by singing vs rhythm/body percussion. You may feel free to <u>choose one or to do both</u>. Once you have completed the engagement/s please fill out <a href="#">this form</a> and let me know what you completed and what you learned!</p> <p><b>SINGING engagement-</b> There are entire collections of folksongs that are available online for FREE. They are a part of the <a href="#">American Folk Song Collection</a>, and many of them have recordings, games, and background information about the song. <a href="#">This link</a> takes you to a specific song called <a href="#">Shady Grove</a>, but you may feel free to look around the <a href="#">entire collection</a> and learn/sing any of the songs available.</p> <p><b>Rhythm/Body Percussion Engagement-</b> <a href="#">This link</a> takes you to an entire playlist of rhythm, body percussion, and hand games. Try one, try them all, just don't forget to use the 'forms' link above to discuss what you completed and your take-aways from the activity.</p> <p>*****</p> <p><b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus Students</b> Last week I included information about open-enrolling as well as audition-level choirs. I have included <i>some</i> of that again below, as well as a Q&amp;A. Don't hesitate to reach out with questions!</p> <p>From Mr. Steve and Dr. Dino: Join the Roosevelt Vocal Music Department for the 2020-2021 school year! Sign-up for our open enroll choirs (no audition required): <b>Forte Treble Choir, Riderchoir Bass Choir, or Rider Rhythm Show Choir</b>. Audition for <b>Chamber Choir</b> and/or <b>Revelation Show Choir</b>. Please visit <a href="http://trhsvocalmusic.org/auditions">trhsvocalmusic.org/auditions</a> to find out more!</p> <p><u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)</u></p> <p><b>FAQ 1:</b> "Will I have time to do choir and other activities as well?" The answer is a resounding yes! Our choir students have been in every varsity sport (many were team captains), involved in theater, debate, orchestra, band, Brother 2 Brother, Sisters 4 Success, and everything imaginable.</p> <p><b>FAQ 2:</b> "Can I attend Central Academy/Campus and be in choir?" Just over half of our choir students attend Central. So, 99% of the time, it absolutely works. Most schedules can be changed and adjusted to fit choir.</p> <p><b>FAQ 3:</b> "Can 9th graders be in Bridges 2 Harmony?" Bridges is only open to 10-12 grade students. However, the best chance to be a member in 10-12 grade is to start in choir during 9th grade.</p> <p><b>FAQ 4:</b> "Can I be in multiple choirs?" Absolutely! If you have room in your schedule, we'd love to have you with us. It is not uncommon for our singers to be in more than one choir at TRHS.</p>

	<p><b>FAQ 5:</b> "If I cannot record and send an audition, what do I do?" Please contact us directly! We can make arrangements with you on a case-by-case basis. Everyone will have an EQUAL opportunity to audition.</p> <p><b>FAQ 6:</b> "What is happening with summer performances or camps?" We will be moving them to sometime in the school year. (This specifically applies to Show Choir and Chamber Choir.)</p> <p><b>FAQ 7:</b> "Can I have a job and be in choir?" Most of our choir students have jobs--some have multiple! We release our performance calendar at the beginning of the summer so you can plan months ahead with your work schedule. If there is a conflict, we always work it out.</p> <p><b>FAQ 8:</b> "Do I get graduation credits for being in choir?" Yes. Choir provides credit towards your Applied/Fine Arts requirement needed to graduate.</p> <p><b>FAQ 9:</b> "Where can I go to learn more about the Roosevelt choirs?" You can go to <a href="http://trhsvocalmusic.org">trhsvocalmusic.org</a> to find out everything you want to know! *****</p> <p><b><u>Mrs. Copic's Microsoft Teams Meeting Times:</u></b> Wednesdays: 1pm- 8<sup>th</sup> grade chorus, 1:30pm- 7<sup>th</sup> grade MA Fridays: 1pm- 7<sup>th</sup> grade chorus, 1:30pm- 8<sup>th</sup> grade MA, and 2pm- 6<sup>th</sup> grade chorus</p> <p>Or, reach out any time via Teams or at <a href="mailto:courtney.copic@dmschools.org">courtney.copic@dmschools.org</a></p> <p>Be safe and stay well, Mrs. C</p>
Band:	<p>Hello Band Students! A few important items for Instrumental Music students.</p> <p><b>7<sup>th</sup> GRADE BAND STUDENTS INTERESTED IN JAZZ BAND - EMAIL MR. MORGAN IF YOU WANT TO TRY OUT.</b> In the next few days I will be organizing and sending you <b>audition music</b>. Most of the students expressing an interest have reached out to me, however we <b>NEED SET DRUMMERS</b> to try out. Of course, if you are in our percussion section we would love to have you try out, but if you know ANY of your friends who are gifted on drum-set, they can be part of the Jazz Band too as it meets outside of school. Give them a nudge to contact me.</p> <p>Below are some activities to work on and maybe be prepared to visit and converse about during our new Class time on Teams. I am looking forward to seeing/hearing from you during our Wednesday morning or Friday morning times.</p> <p><b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b> Here it is 6<sup>th</sup> graders and Beginning students. The game that mixes hoops with learning Treble and Bass clef notes. Try <a href="#">this game</a> and your reading of notes WILL improve!</p> <p><b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade:</b> Our terms in music are often in the Italian language. See how many musical terms you already know in this fun crossword puzzle. I will also send the puzzle to you as an attachment on IC messenger. Use the back of your blue book glossary for help.</p>

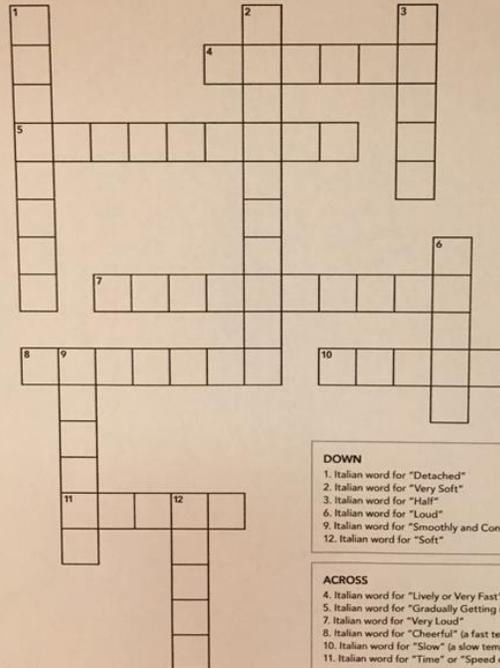
## That's Italian! (Music Terms Crossword)

By Greg Foreman



### Directions:

Test your knowledge of Italian musical terms. If you get stumped, the answer key will help you.



### DOWN

1. Italian word for "Detached"
2. Italian word for "Very Soft"
3. Italian word for "Half"
6. Italian word for "Loud"
9. Italian word for "Smoothly and Connected"
12. Italian word for "Soft"

### ACROSS

4. Italian word for "Lively or Very Fast"
5. Italian word for "Gradually Getting Louder"
7. Italian word for "Very Loud"
8. Italian word for "Cheerful" (a fast tempo)
10. Italian word for "Slow" (a slow tempo)
11. Italian word for "Time" or "Speed of the Beat"

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Orchestra: Hello orchestral musicians! It was so nice to "see" so many of you at our Teams meetings this week. Thanks for tuning in!

This week there are 2 Challenges. One involves playing and another that does not, in case you do not have your instrument, or it needs to be fixed.

**Instrumental Challenge!** Warm-up before each practice session this week. If you warm up before playing, you will be surprised at how much easier playing feels, and it will likely sound better too! You may realize that you can play longer before you get tired. Below is a fun, 5 minute warm-up routine. Go ahead and play along with him. Then, on Flipgrid, (here's [the link](#) for Flipgrid \*Don't forget our new code for these challenges is **merrillorch**) post yourself playing one of the variations of his warm-up that you enjoyed.

Warm-up video: [Funky D-Major!](#)

### **No instrument? No problem! Here's your challenge:**

We have all heard orchestras play, but it is exciting to look beyond a symphony and see where else string musicians are used. We have watched jazz, country, and even rock groups that use strings. This week, let's focus on larger ensembles that play orchestral music. For example, [this clip](#) is of the Royal Ballet performing a portion of Alice's

Adventures in Wonderland, to the music of...you guessed it! An orchestra! As you view, make sure you are listening to the incredible orchestral music!

Now, it is your turn! Find a video of an ensemble that uses stringed instruments, and post to our teams page. Ideas: Ballet, Opera, Musicals, etc.

We will discuss both warm-up routines, as well as the videos you all have found at our Teams meeting next week. Same times:

Beginners: Monday from 2-2:25pm  
Year 2: Monday from 2:30-2:55pm  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tuesday from 1-1:25pm  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Tuesday from 1:30-1:55pm

Hope to see you then!

Mrs. Graham

### Physical Education

Hi PE Fans, I hope you are hanging in there and still doing your part to stop the spread of this virus. It's easy being a team member when our team is winning, it is much harder when things do not go as planned. Which is sort of where we are right now. Time to reflect and ask yourself the important question of what kind of a team member have you been recently? Some ideas about how to be a good team member at home are helping with chores, being considerate of others' feelings and being productive at least part of the day. To be a good team member in our community, consider donating blood, check in on friends (virtually) whom you haven't seen in a while, make sure they're doing okay, if your parents are shopping for neighbors, you can deliver items such as groceries to their doorsteps, keep your distance when around others or maybe even wear a mask. For your membership on the global team, remember we are all in this together, and our actions have direct impact on helping keep everyone safer. Take care!

### Other Notes

*A note regarding MUSIC COURSES ON CANVAS- The district is diligently working on getting content for music courses published to Canvas and available to students across DMPS. Please continue to check your Canvas dashboard for your course to become available.*