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Ida Red — Composition Worksheet

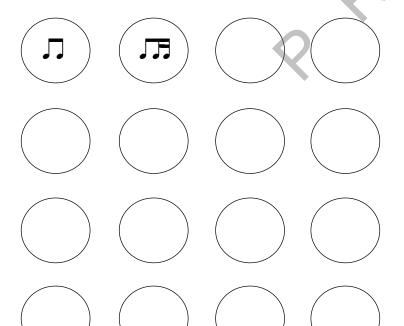
Compose your own lyrics to the tune of 'Ida Red'.

1. What are you going to write your song about?

2. Brainstorm words and phrases about your chosen theme and write them in this box.

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3. Write the rhythm of 'Ida Red'.



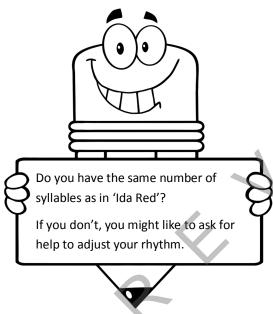


- 4a. Write the rhythm above the words of the song. (Notice how the syllables have been separated.)
- 4b. Count the number of syllables in each line.

		Number of syllables
Rhythm	л л	
Words	Down the road and a-cross the creek	8
Rhythm		
Words	Can't get a let-ter but once a week	
Rhythm		
Words	I-da Red, I-da Blue	
Rhythm		
Words	I got stuck on I-da too.	
5. Write	the words for your song.	

- 6a. Write your words from question 5 into the table below. Make sure you separate the syllables!
- 6b. Write the rhythm above the words. You might need to adjust the rhythm to fit your words.

		Number of syllables
Rhythm		
Words		
Rhythm		
Words		
Rhythm	Q -	
Words		
Rhythm		
Words		



7. Here is 'Ida Red' written on the staff.

MySongFile.com Down the road and the creek, Can't let - ter but week, a - cross get a once Red, Blue, too. Write your composition on the staff below.

8. Complete the checklist below.

7	Fick the boxes once you have checked each of these statements
	I can write the rhythm of 'Ida Red' above the words.
	I can compose four lines of lyrics with a similar number of syllables to 'Ida Red'
	I can compose a rhythm to fit the words.
	I can write my rhythms neatly above the words.
	I can write my composition on the staff. (Using the same melody as 'Ida Red'.)
	I can add in the signs for 2 metre. (Time signature and bar lines.)
	I can write in the key signature.
	I can sing and hand sign my composition AND/OR play it on an instrument.



Extra staff lines if you need them	