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Frère Jacques — Composition Worksheet

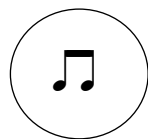
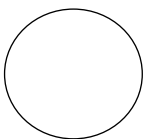
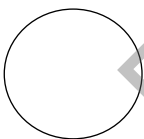
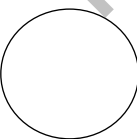
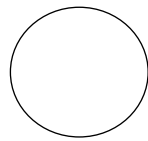
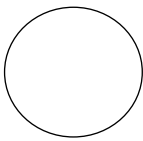
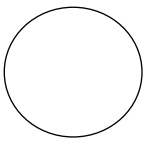
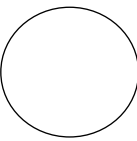
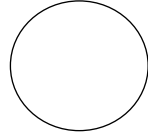
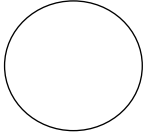
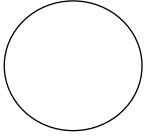
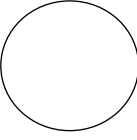
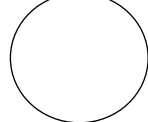
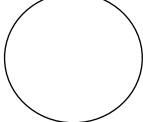
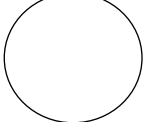
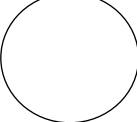
Compose your own lyrics to the tune of 'Frère Jacques'

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 'Frère Jacques'.


			
			
			
			

Have you written
your name on the top of
your worksheet?

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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		
Words	Frè-re Jac-ques, Frè-re Jac-ques	8
Rhythm		
Words	Dor-mez vous? Dor-mez vous?	
Rhythm		
Words	Son-nez le ma-ti-nes, Son-nez le ma-ti-nes,	
Rhythm		
Words	Din Din Don, Din Din Don	

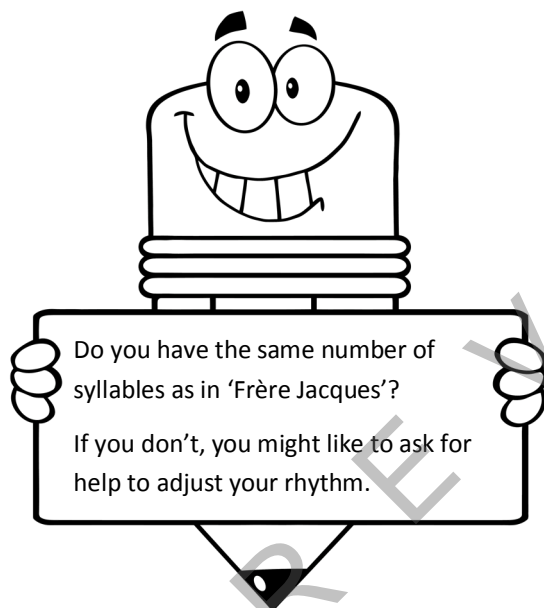
5. Write the words for your song.

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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		
Words		
Rhythm		
Words		



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7. Here is 'Frère Jacques' written on the staff.

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Frère Jacques — Musical notation on a staff with lyrics and numbered measures.

1 Frè - re Jac - ques Frè - re Jac - ques Dor - mez vous? Dor - mez vous?

2

3 Son - nez les ma - ti - nes Son - nez les ma - ti - nes Din, din, don! Din, din, don!

4

Write your composition on the staff below.

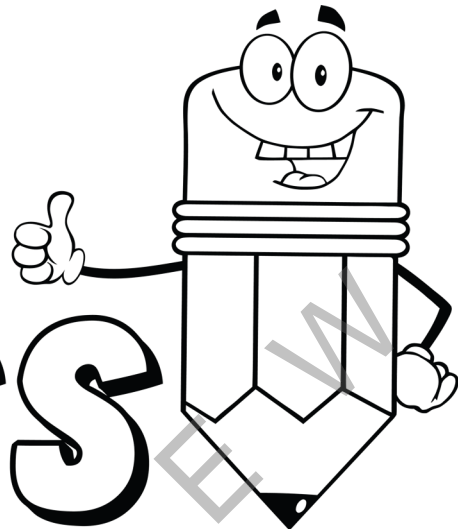
Empty musical staves for composition.

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8. Complete the checklist below.

- ☒ Tick the boxes once you have checked each of these statements...
- ☐ I can write the rhythm of 'Frère Jacques' above the words.
- ☐ I can compose four lines of lyrics with a similar number of syllables to 'Frère Jacques'.
- ☐ 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 'Frère Jacques'.)
- ☐ I can add in the signs for 2 metre.
- ☐ I can write in the key signature.
- ☐ I can sing and handsign my composition AND/OR play it on an instrument.

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Extra staff lines if you need them....

