

A-B-A Composition Checklist

Use this checklist to make sure you've covered your bases when completing your composition. Feel free to ask for help when you find yourself answering "no" or "I don't know" to any of these questions.

Nuts and Bolts	Yes	No	I don't know
Does your song include a clef sign (treble or bass)?			
Does your song include a key signature?			
Did you include the time signature? (4/4 or 3/4)			
Do the notes and rests in each measure add up to the correct number of beats?			
Did you stick to the accepted note and rest values for this assignment? (Given in class.)			
Do the notes move in a way that looks logical, feels easy to play, and sounds pleasing?			
Have you have judged distance between notes and rests so they are evenly distributed throughout each measure?			
Are the note heads are uniform in size and shape? Are the stems connected to the correct sides of notes and not too short and stubby? Are the flags drawn correctly and pointed in the right direction?			

Four Bar "A" Section	Yes	No	I don't know
Does your song begin on the root, 3rd, or 5th scale tone?			
Is the same rhythm used in both measures 1 and 2?			
Does measure 1 and 2 contain a melodic sequence?			
Does the song end on the root tone?			

Four Bar "B" Section	Yes	No	I don't know
Does this section begin on the 2nd, 3rd, or 5th scale tone?			
Does this section end on the 2nd or 5th scale tone?			