

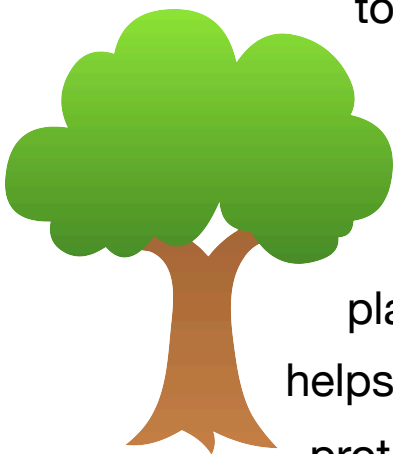
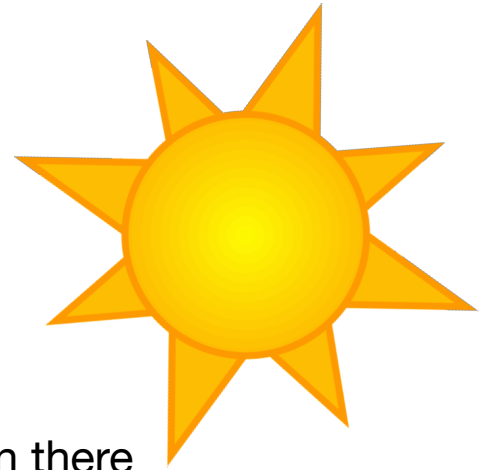
# HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WORLD

Music and Lyrics by Aline Shader (1994)

Student Workbook



There was a time, not long ago, when the air was brown and when you went outside it would burn your eyes and nose. There was a time, not long ago, when there was acid in the rain and it would harm plants, animals and buildings. There was a time, not long ago, when some companies dumped chemicals into the rivers, streams and oceans until it killed many of the fish and other creatures that lived there. Sometimes the rivers even caught on fire. This made many people very unhappy and they decided that they wanted to do something to protect our Earthly home, so in 1970 they created **Earth Day**. It has been celebrated around the globe every year since. Today, with the Earth warming and plants and animals going extinct, Earth Day helps us to understand why we must continue to protect our home.



***Happy Birthday World***, written by Aline Shader (1936 - 2002), is a song that was written for Earth Day. Aline loved the sound of young voices, the smiles on young faces and the joy that comes from singing together. She also understood the power of music to build confidence, spur the imagination, and foster the unity that singing together brings. She felt that an Earth Day song was a great way for children to learn to appreciate nature and the world around us.



Below are a few fun exercises and games to help you learn a little about music theory and introduce you to the song, *Happy Birthday World!*



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## Happy Birthday World

Aline Shader

Chord progression: C DMIN G<sup>7</sup> AMIN F DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C F G<sup>7</sup>

Happy birth-day, World, an-oth-er year goes

Chord progression: C C F G<sup>7</sup> C C<sup>7</sup> F

7 by. Wis-er \_\_\_ for the time, old-er, \_\_\_ you and I. 'Round and 'round,

Chord progression: G<sup>7</sup> C AMIN DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C F G C

14 till e-ter - ni - ty. I'll take care of you, you'll take care of me.

Chord progression: AMIN DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C F G<sup>7</sup> C C

21 Hap-py birth-day, World, so man-y sto-ries tell how you came to

Chord progression: F G<sup>7</sup> C C<sup>7</sup> DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C

27 be, why you turn so well. 'Round and 'round no way to \_\_\_ de - cide

Chord progression: AMIN DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C AMIN DMIN G<sup>7</sup>

34 what the fu - ture holds, what the sha - dows hide.

Chord progression: C DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C C F

40 Hap-py birth - day, World, and here's the wish I bring: may you al-ways stay

Chord progression: G<sup>7</sup> C C<sup>7</sup> F G<sup>7</sup> C AMIN

46 such a wond'-rous thing. 'Round and 'round spin-ning in the blue, peace and love and

Chord progression: F G<sup>7</sup> Rit. C DMIN G<sup>7</sup> AMIN F DMIN G<sup>7</sup> C

53 hope. All the best for you.

*HAPPY BIRTHDAY, WORLD*  
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**LYRICS**

**Verse 1**

Happy birthday,  
World Another year goes by  
Wiser for the time  
Older, you and I  
Round and round  
Till eternity  
I'll take care of you  
You'll take care of me

**Verse 2**

Happy birthday, World  
So many stories tell  
How you came to be  
Why you turn so well  
Round and round  
No way to decide  
What the future holds  
What the shadows hide

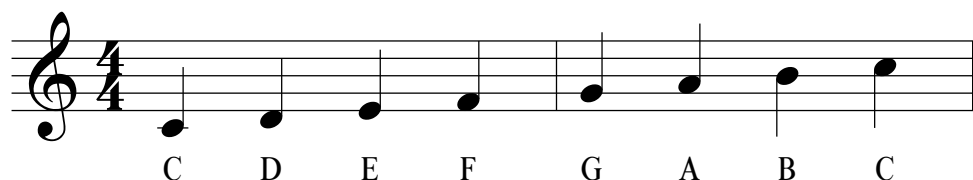
**Verse 3**

Happy birthday, World  
And here's the wish I bring:  
May you always stay  
Such a wondrous thing  
Round and round  
Spinning in the blue  
Peace and love and hope  
All the best for you

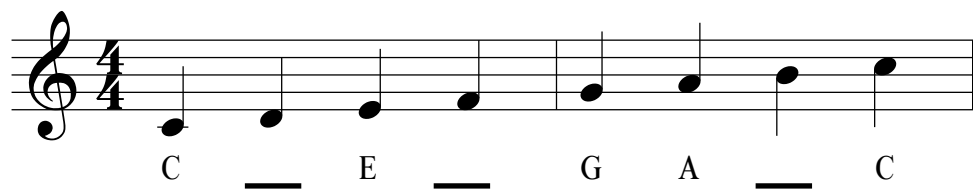
## C MAJOR SCALE

What is a scale? A scale is a set of notes ordered by their pitch. The pitch describes how high, or how low the note. Remember, in music we have seven different note names A, B, C, D, E, F, G. Scales are the building blocks for songs!

The C major scale will begin on the note C and go all the way up to the next C. The starting and ending notes are the same!

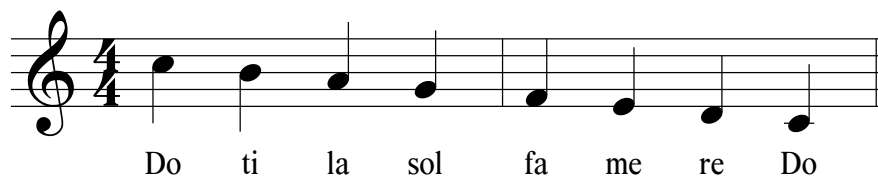
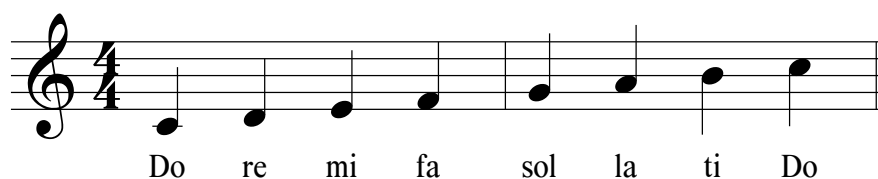


Using the scale above, can you fill in the missing note names?

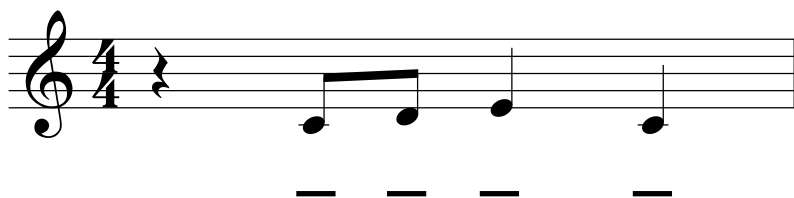


## C MAJOR SCALE

In order to help us learn to sing the scale, we sometimes will sing using special words, called solfege syllables. Try singing the scale below!



Using the scale above, fill in the solfege syllables below.

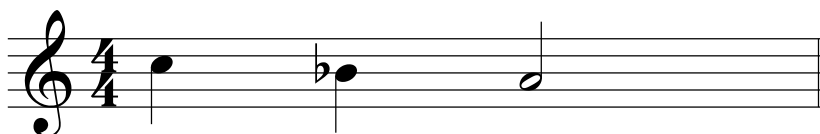


Since solfege is used to help us sing the notes, let's practice and sing your answer!

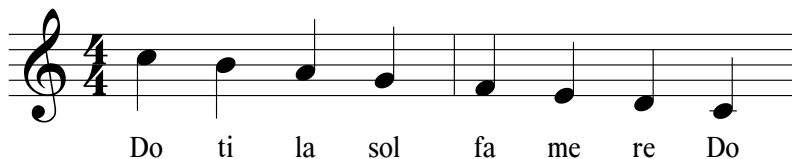
## ACCIDENTALS

What is an accidental? If a composer wanted to alter a note from the scale, she could add either a sharp # or a flat ♭ in front of the note. The sharp # raises the note by a half step and the ♭ lowers the note by a half step.

Here is an example of a flat ♭



Remember, here is a scale without any accidentals.



One other accidental we see is the natural ♮, which puts the note in the middle.

Can you see the different below.





## MUSICAL SCAVENGER HUNT!

Below is the music for the first verse of Happy Birthday World. Use it to help you answer the following questions.

Can you find the highest note and lowest notes you have to sing?

First, circle the highest note you can find. Then, circle the lowest note.

Write down the word under the highest note? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the solfege syllable for the lowest note? \_\_\_\_\_

In the example below, circle any accidentals that you can find?

Is it a sharp # or a flat b?

**Happy Birthday World**

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a 4/4 time signature. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff contains the first two lines of the song, with lyrics: "Happy birth-day, World, an-oth-er year goes". The second staff contains the next two lines, with lyrics: "by. Wis-er \_\_\_ for the time, old-er, \_\_\_ you and I. 'Round and 'round,". The third staff contains the final line, with lyrics: "till e-ter - ni - ty. I'll take care of you, you'll take care of me. \_\_\_\_\_". Above the notes are guitar chords: C, DMIN, G7, AMIN, F, DMIN, G7, C, F, G7, C, C, F, G7, C, AMIN, DMIN, G7, C, F, G, C. The score ends with a double bar line and a 6/4 time signature.

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