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FREE MUSIC CHART

Rests chart

A rest is a beat you feel but do not clap. Every rest lasts as long as the note with the same name, and the beat keeps going through it. The beats are counted in 4/4 time. When you see one, open your hands and whisper “shh”.

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SYMBOL	NAME	BEATS IN 4/4	LOOKS LIKE
	**Whole rest (semibreve rest)**	4	A block hanging down from a line, like a hole
	**Half rest (minim rest)**	2	A block sitting on a line, like a hat
	**Quarter rest (crotchet rest)**	1	A zig-zag standing up
	**Eighth rest (quaver rest)**	½	A slanted line with one curl
	**Sixteenth rest (semiquaver rest)**	¼	A slanted line with two curls

Good to know

- Hat or hole? The half rest sits on top of the line like a hat; the whole rest hangs down from it like a hole.
- A whole rest also stands for a whole bar of quiet, whatever the time signature.
- Keep counting through a rest. The beat does not stop just because the sound did.