Rhythm Sight Reading 101
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Bold numbers tell us where we place the note, subdivided by the little numbers.
We say the **Bold** numbers out loud, and we say the little numbers in our heads.
For every "+" say "and". This is how we **subdivide**.

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<th>Whole notes</th>
<th>Half notes</th>
<th>Quarter notes</th>
<th>Eighth notes</th>
<th>Dotted half notes</th>
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<td>are 4 beats</td>
<td>are 2 beats</td>
<td>are 1 beat</td>
<td>are 2 per beat</td>
<td>are 3 beats</td>
<td>are a beat and a half</td>
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Onbeats are played right on the beat
Offbeats are played on the "+" of the beat