






Rhythm Names

When clapping and singing rhythms, we use the following **Rhythm Names** to verbalise each rhythm pattern.

The number of syllables in each word matches the rhythm that the word represents, except for the word 'semiquaver', which represents 4 semiquavers:



This makes it quicker and easier to remember new rhythms.

Rhythm Name	Symbol	English Name	American Name
<i>slow</i>		crotchet	quarter note
<i>quick</i>		quaver	eighth note
<i>semiquaver</i>		semiquaver	sixteenth note
<i>ssh!</i>		crotchet rest	quarter rest
<i>sh!</i>		quaver rest	eighth rest