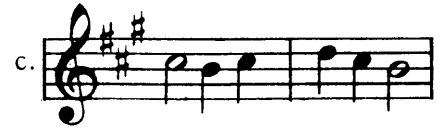


COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

Can you recognize the meaning of these separate pieces? No? But look at the parts put together as a whole picture in the bottom left corner of this page and you'll know the figure immediately!



These separate words may appear to be taken from protest march signs. But put together to become the text of "Come, Christians, Join to Sing," the meaning of the words become a dynamic expression of Christian unity!



These separate phrases of music each have a rhythmical and singable tune. But put together in a certain sequence of phrase pattern, the pieces become the tune "Spanish Hymn" which we recognize with the text, "Come, Christians."

Which one of these pattern sequences indicates the *form* of the "Spanish Hymn" tune?

- (circle the correct one) ABCA ABAC
 AABA ABAA

Which of these hymn tunes uses a similar pattern to the sequences you discovered in "Spanish Hymn" tune?

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| _____ Holy, Holy, Holy | _____ A Mighty Fortress |
| _____ Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee | _____ Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing |
| _____ Fairest Lord Jesus | _____ For the Beauty of the Earth |

Tap these rhythms:

Even though you are precise and accurate, the long sequences of the same kinds of notes are monotonous and tiring to listen to and to sing!

Re-organize the separate notes into a pattern:

Now do you hear the rhythmic pattern that gives such vitality to the "Spanish Hymn" tune? How many different times in the tune does this pattern occur? _____



These expressions—separated from an understanding of and devotion to God—are without meaning, even when sung rhythmically and correctly!

But when sung by those of us whose hearts and voices are joined in joyful praise to God, the words and the act of singing together represent the world's best possibility toward achieving peace and love among Christians everywhere!

"COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING ALLELUIA! AMEN!"