

MUSIC · GRADES 4–5

Write Your Own Song

Verse, chorus, verse, chorus

How a pop song works

Most songs follow VERSE → CHORUS → VERSE → CHORUS → BRIDGE → CHORUS. The VERSE tells the story (different words each time). The CHORUS is the catchy bit that repeats (same words each time). The BRIDGE is a short different section that breaks the pattern.

Step 1 — Pick a topic

What's your song about? A friendship, a feeling, an animal, your home? Write it in one sentence.

Step 2 — Write your CHORUS

Four short lines. Lines 2 and 4 should rhyme. Make it singable.



Step 3 — Write VERSE 1

Four lines. This sets up the story. Lines 2 and 4 should rhyme.

Step 4 — Write VERSE 2

Four more lines. The story continues or shifts.

Step 5 — Sing it!

Try humming a tune to your chorus. Then a different one for the verse. Sing it to a friend or record it on a phone.

