

Singing Command Cards

Directions: Choose a short song to sing (such as *Sarasponda* or *You are My Sunshine*). Sing the song one time to make sure you know all of the words. Use this song to follow the following commands

Singing with Dynamics

1. Sing the song softly. In music, the term is called **piano**.
2. Sing the song VERY softly. In music, this is called **pianissimo**.
3. Go outside. Sing the song loudly. In music, this is called **forte**.
4. Go outside. Sing the song VERY LOUDLY! In music, this is called **fortissimo**.

The difference between how loudly or how softly a song or a piece of music is performed is called **dynamics**.

Singing with Different Tempos

1. Sing the song normally. In music, this is called **moderato**.
2. Sing the song quickly. In music, this is called **allegro**.
3. Sing the song slowly. In music, this is called **adagio**.
4. Sing the song VERY quickly. In music this is called **presto**.
5. Sing the song, gradually getting faster and faster. This is called **accelerando**.
6. Sing the song, gradually getting slower and slower. This is called **ritardando**.

The speed (how fast or how slow) with which a song or piece of music is performed is called **tempo**.