

Charting Music by Debbie Byrd

Most music is arranged in 16 beat phrases or 4 measures and 2 phrases or 32 counts usually makes one complete step. Directions: Locate the Introduction, all choruses, all verses, and the ending. Draw your outline using 8's and large lines across where music changes occur. (Example is shown below)

Example Outline: Make Your Own Chart: 8 INTRODUCTION 8
8 STEP 1 8 8 8
8 STEP 2 8 8 8
8 CHORUS 8 8 8
8 BREAK 8
8 STEP 3 8 8 8
8 STEP 4 8 8 8
8 CHORUS - REPEAT 8 8 8
8 ENDING 8

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Listen to the music over and over again, then you can begin to make a few notes on your music outline pertaining to specific steps, movements, and formations which you could incorporate into your choreography.

