

Variations on a Theme: Twinkle Twinkle

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What is a Theme?

A melody in a piece of music that serves as the basis for the composition.

- *As a reminder, a melody is a musical idea made up of notes.*

What are Variations?

Modifying or making changes to a theme in a piece of music so it creates a different sound or mood, while remaining true to its original composition.

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Rhythmic

Flourishing

Baby Shark

Harmonious

Morning Stretch

Spooky

Whistle

Racing