# Compose on Soundtrap

Interested in trying your hand at composing? We recommend using Soundtrap online to experiment with different voices and effects.

#### **Step 1:** Visit <u>Soundtrap.com</u>

Use an email, Facebook or Google account to login.

#### Step 2: Watch the introduction video

Step 3: Select "Music" for New Project

# Step 4: Use the software instruments to compose out your melody

Click "Add New Track +" on the right side column

To create a melody with a software instrument, choose one of the categories:

Piano/Keyboards

Brass/Woodwinds

Strings

To add your own recorded content choose "Voice and microphones". *Note:* these require access to your computer's mic.

Develop a melody using the instrument keyboard on screen

### Step 5: Optional Transcribe your melody

If you want to write out your melody, you can use staff paper or digital staff paper (ex. <u>musescore.org</u>).

#### Step 6: When you're ready, Record

Select the Record button (big red dot) at the bottom of the keyboard and begin playing your melody.

#### **Step 7:** Optional Editing

Before recording, you can adjust the dials for musical elements like reverb and volume To adjust the melody to be recorded in time, click the track recording and choose "Edit" then "Quantize".

If you want to see the detail of the notes, choose the option in the middle of the screen "Piano Roll".

## **Step 8:** Finish and Download mp3

In Soundtrap, click "Save". Once the track is done mixing, under "Your Projects" you can download and save as an MP3.

