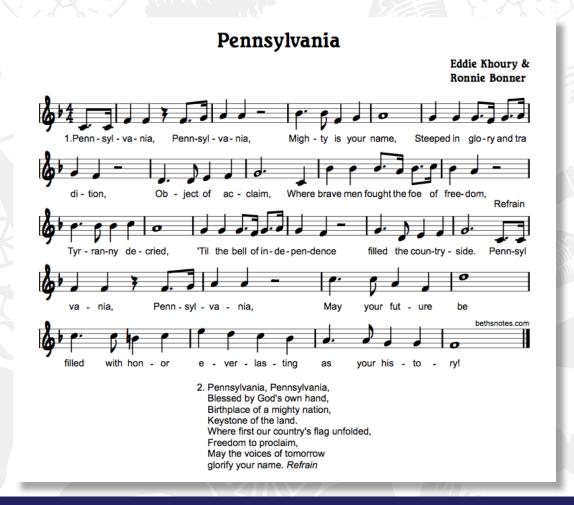


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The official state song is *Pennsylvania* written in 1961 by Eddie Khoury and Ronnie Bonner. Songs like *Pennsylvania* include music and lyrics, the words of the song. Lyrics in music are similar to a poem. This song has two verses and a refrain. Verses are sung to the same music, but the lyrics change with each verse. A refrain or chorus is a section of the song that is repeated and keeps the same music and lyrics. Can you spot the verses and refrain in the song *Pennsylvania*?



Create your own verse

Try writing lyrics for a new verse for the song *Pennsylvania*. Write 7 new lines that describe your vision of *Pennsylvania* today. Include things that make you think about Pennsylvania. Notice how the original verses rhyme. Be sure to rhyme your new lyrics but keep the refrain the same!



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Refrain:

Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania,
May your future be filled with honor everlasting
as your history!

Extra Challenge: Try singing your new verse to the melody, or tune, of *Pennsylvania*!