Two-Hand Rhythm Grid

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Left	X	-	-	X	X	-	-	X

Use the model above. Write a brief answer for each item.

1. In measure 1, on which beats do both hands start?

2. In measure 1, which hand starts on beat 3?

3. In measure 2, which hand starts on beat 1?

4. In measure 2, on which beat do both hands start?

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Beats 1 and 4

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Right hand

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Left hand

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Beat 4

5. How many starts does the right hand have in all?

5

6. How many starts does the left hand have in all?

4

7. Name the beat with no new start in measure 1.

Beat 2

8. Can this map alone tell how long each sound lasts? Explain.

No. It shows starts, not durations.