A metronome produces ***metronome*** a steady pulse at a chosen speed, measured in beats per **metronome** minute.

Mechanical metronomes

A wound spring drives an escapement that keeps a pendulum swinging. Moving the weight changes the speed.

Electronic timing

Digital metronomes use precise electronic clocks.

Online metronomes

Online metronomes schedule each click on the computer's audio clock, keeping perfect time.

What it's used for

It helps with steady tempo, learning and speed, and teachers rely on it.