

Batch Rate With Half-Stars

v1.0

For macOS 11+/Music v1.1+
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This script will apply a user-selected Rating to the selected tracks. (The Music app does not provide a means to apply half-star ratings in the multiple "Get Info" edit panel.)

For macOS 11 and later only.

Installation:

To make this AppleScript available in your **Music** Script menu, install it in the Music "Scripts" folder. This is located at *[user name] / Library / Music / Scripts /*. **Music** will look for AppleScripts in this folder.

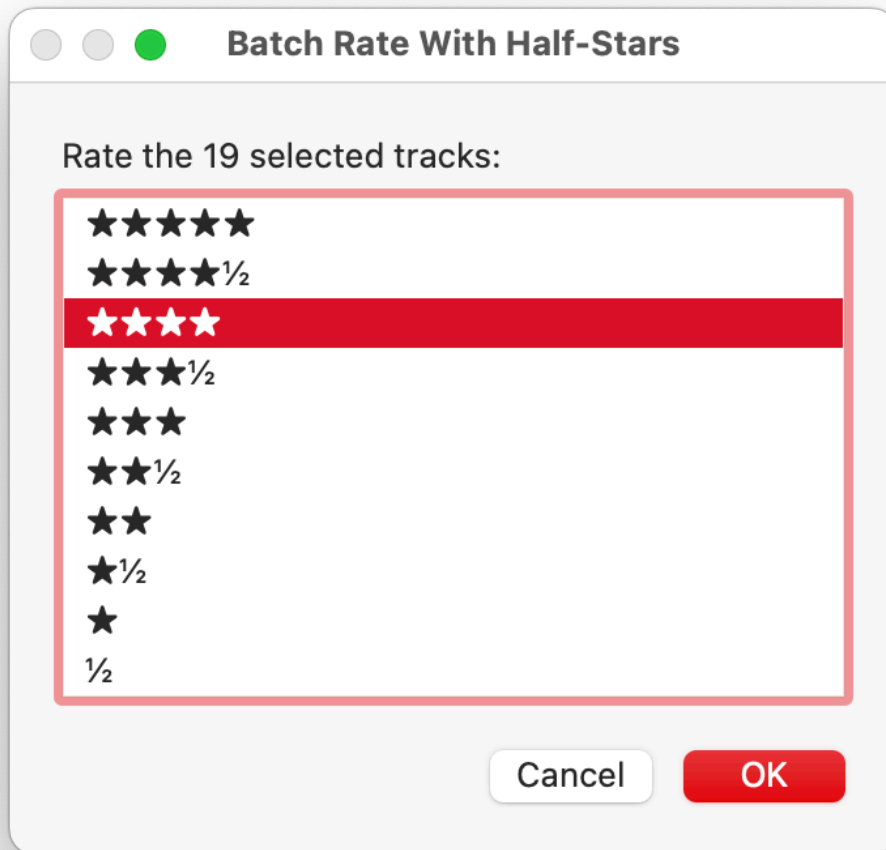
*The user Library directory may be hidden by default. To make it visible, hold down the Option key on your keyboard and select **Go > Library** from the Finder.*

If the *[user name] / Library /* folder does not contain the application-appropriate named folder or "Scripts" folder, then create them and put the script(s) in the "Scripts" folder. AppleScripts will then appear in the corresponding app's Script menu, and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking. Be sure to also save this Read Me document in a safe and convenient place.

See the online Download FAQ for more info and video on downloading and installing AppleScripts.

How to use:

Select some tracks in the Music app and launch the script:



Select the Rating to apply to the selected tracks and click the "OK" button.

Half-Stars? What?

There used to be a preference setting to use half-stars. I know I had set iTunes to use half-stars with a variation of the **defaults** command line routine below. I'm pretty sure my version of the Music app "inherited" this setting from the iTunes app when I initially updated. In any case, I don't think I'd run the **defaults** command on my Music app and so I don't know if it still works; in Terminal, enter the following and press the return key:

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defaults write com.apple.music allow-half-stars -bool TRUE
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Helpful Links:

Information and download link for this script is located at:

<https://dougscripts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=mxbatchratewithhalfstars>

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