Preparatory Level Lesson 1: At the Lesson

HIGH AND LOW

Play the following high and low notes. Ask the student to follow along in the workbook.

Tip: Use images to describe each register. Compare high notes to birds, clouds, or butterflies.

Compare low notes to a deep hole or an ogre with a deep voice.





1. Play the following high and low notes. Ask the student to circle *High* or *Low* for each example.





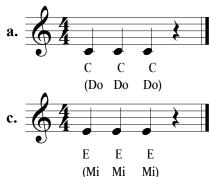


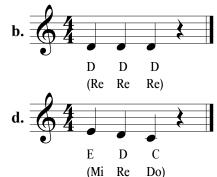


LISTEN AND COPY

2. Play the following measures and sing the note names or *solfège*. Ask the student to copy your playing and singing.

Optional: Play the measures but do not sing the note names. Ask the student to play and sing the names.





UP, DOWN, AND REPEAT

Play the following notes that move up, move down, or repeat. Ask the student to follow along in the workbook. *Optional:* Ask the student to use hand motions that follow the contour of the notes.

Tip: Use imagery to describe each melodic contour. Compare notes moving up to walking uphill, notes moving down to riding a scooter downhill, and repeated notes to walking on a flat sidewalk.







3. Play the following notes that move up, move down, or repeat. Ask the student to circle *Up*, *Down*, or *Repeat* for each example.









Level 1 Lesson 4: At the Lesson

STACCATO AND LEGATO

Play the following melodies. Ask the student to follow along in the workbook.

Tips: Use imagery to describe each articulation. Compare *staccato* with a kangaroo hopping or popcorn popping. Compare *legato* with flowing water, ice skating, or sledding.





1. Play the following melodies. Ask the student to circle the melody with the correct articulation.





LISTEN AND COPY

2. Play the following intervals and sing the scale degrees. Ask the student to copy your playing and singing.

Tips: A **Major 7th** is dissonant and wants to resolve up. Songs: *Fantasy Island* (Main Title), a-ha's *Take On Me* (chorus).

A **Perfect Octave (8th)** is very stable and sounds almost like a single note. Songs: *Somewhere Over the Rainbow; The Christmas Song* ("Chestnuts roasting on an open fire...").













TRIADS

3. Play the following triads. Ask the student to circle the correct triad for each example.



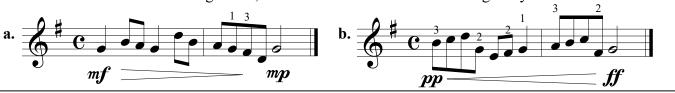


Level 2 Lesson 4: At the Lesson

DYNAMICS

Play the following melodies. Ask the student to follow along in the workbook.

Tips: Ask the student to speak using various dynamics. Use imagery to describe each dynamic. Compare *ff* to shouting, *mf* to a teacher speaking in class, *mp* to speaking softly, *pp* to whispering, *cresc*. to a train horn moving closer, and *decresc*. to a train horn moving away.



1. Play the following melodies. Ask the student to circle the melodies with the correct dynamics.

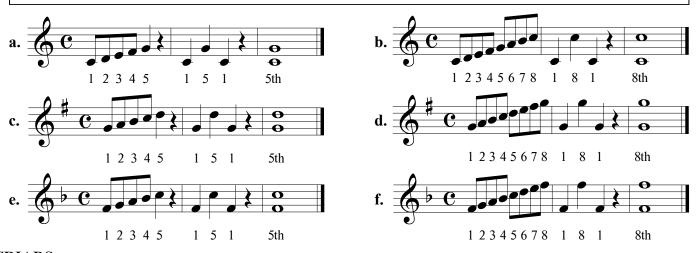


INTERVALS

2. Play the following intervals and sing the scale degrees. Ask the student to copy your playing and singing. *Optional:* Play the intervals but do not sing the scale degrees. Ask the student to play *and* sing the scale degrees.

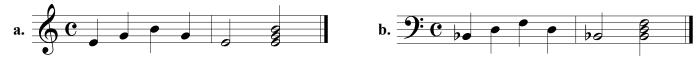
Tips: A **Perfect 5th** sounds open and is similar to triad but missing the third. Songs: *Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star, Star Wars* (Main Theme).

A **Perfect Octave** is very stable and sounds almost like a single note. Songs: *Somewhere Over the Rainbow, The Christmas Song* ("Chestnuts roasting on an open fire...").



TRIADS

3. Play the following triads. Ask the student to circle the correct triad for each example.



Level 3 Lesson 3: At the Lesson

METER

Play the following phrases. Ask the student to follow along in the workbook.

Tips: 2/4 meter is march-like. Ask the student to count aloud, march, or tap knees/clap as you play.

3/4 meter is dance-like. Ask the student to count aloud, step, or tap knees/clap/clap as you play.





1. Play the following phrase. Ask the student to mark the phrase with the correct time signature.



TEMPO

2. Play the following phrase. Ask the student to mark the correct tempo.



INTERVALS

3. Play the following intervals and sing the scale degrees. Ask the student to copy your playing and singing. *Optional:* Play the intervals but do not sing. Ask the student to play *and* sing the scale degrees.

Tips: A **Major 6th** is consonant and wants to resolve down. Songs: *My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean, Jingle Bells* ("Dashing through the snow...").

A **Major 7th** is dissonant and wants to resolve up. Song: a-ha's *Take On Me (chorus)*.







Answer Key for At Home Assignments (As played on CD)

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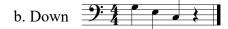


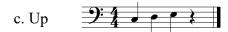












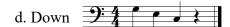


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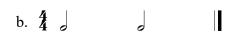










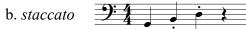


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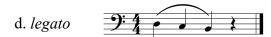
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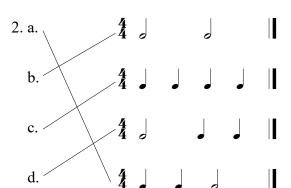
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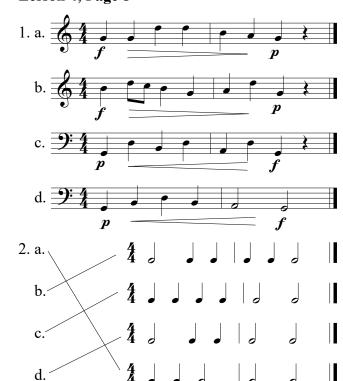








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