

Theory Fun 1A Information & Sample Pages

- Ideal for private or class instruction
- Effective with ALL method series
- Ages 4 to 12
- A look and see approach for easy use
- Games create a play-like atmosphere to attract all types of students
- Topics include:
 - ✓ The Piano
 - ✓ Sound
 - ✓ Music
 - ✓ Melody
 - ✓ Pitch and direction
 - ✓ Rhythm
 - ✓ Musical shape
 - ✓ Finger Numbers
 - ✓ Music Alphabet
 - ✓ The Piano Keyboard
 - ✓ The Music Staff
 - ✓ Note Names
 - ✓ Note Values: quarter, half, dotted half, and whole
 - ✓ Rests: quarter, half and whole
 - ✓ Time Signatures: 2/4; 3/4; 4/4
- Children are accompanied through the book by an appealing mouse called Max
- Activities include:
 - ✓ Colouring
 - ✓ Fill in the blanks
 - ✓ Word Searches
 - ✓ Mazes
 - ✓ Matching Games
 - ✓ Puzzles
- Attractive artwork
- Large print
- Clear visual cues

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PEDAGOGICALLY SOUND MUSIC INSTRUCTION FOR YOUNG STUDENTS

THEORY FUN BOOK 1A

A PAGE A DAY OF MUSICAL ACTIVITIES & THEORY FOR VERY BEGINNERS

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Music Alphabet

The MUSIC ALPHABET has seven letters - A, B, C, D, E, F, G. These letters are used as names for the WHITE keys on the piano keyboard.



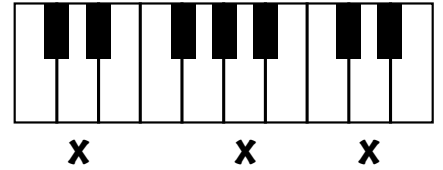
1. How many letters are there in the music alphabet? _____
2. When you go up the music alphabet you go up the piano keyboard to the right. Write the music alphabet going up starting on **A**.

3. When you go down the music alphabet you go down the piano keyboard to the left. Write the music alphabet going backwards starting on **G**.

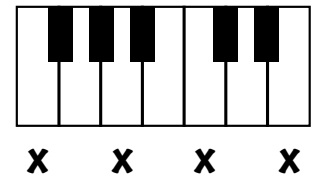
Keyboard Puzzles

Print in the missing word by naming the notes on the keyboard:

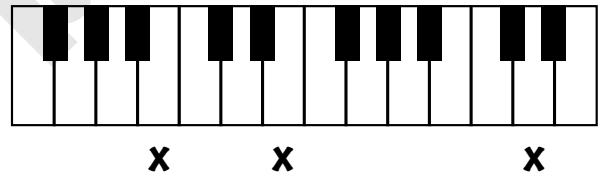
1. My ___ works in an office.



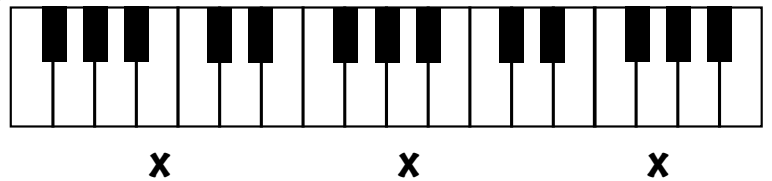
2. Put a smile on your _____ .



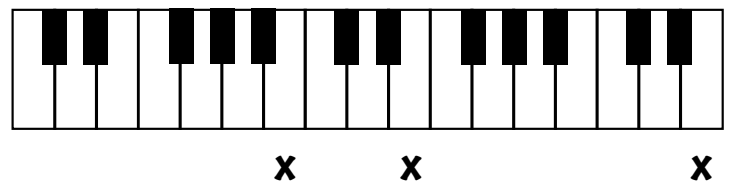
3. My new ___ is nice .



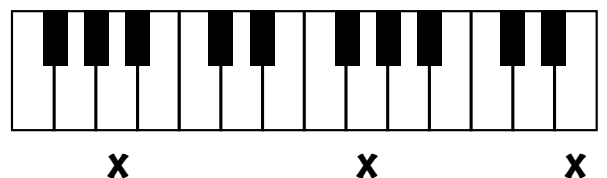
4. I carried the grocery _____ .



5. A ___ stung me.



6. What is your _____ ?



Time Signatures

In your piece of music you will find two numbers right after the treble and the bass clef. The **TOP NUMBER** tells you the number of beats in each measure. The **BOTTOM NUMBER** tells you the kind of note that gets 1 beat.

2 = 2 beats to a measure

3 = 3 beats to a measure

4 = 4 beats to a measure

4 =  gets 1 beat

4 =  gets 1 beat

4 =  gets 1 beat



Exercise:

Put in all the **missing bar lines** in this short song:
(remember to check the time signature)

A Song With No Bar Lines

Three staves of musical notation in treble clef with a 2/4 time signature. The first staff contains seven quarter notes. The second staff contains six quarter notes. The third staff contains seven quarter notes. No bar lines are present between the notes on any of the staves.