

MUSIC REVIEW LESSONS



A comprehensive series of review lessons
in music theory, ear training, and music history
for the piano student

For classroom or studio use

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LESSON ONE

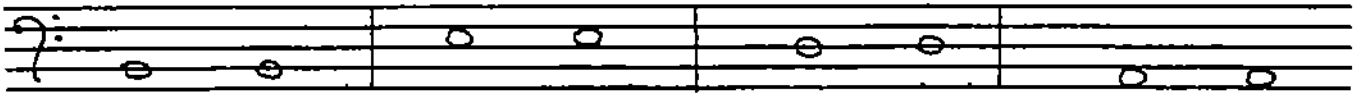
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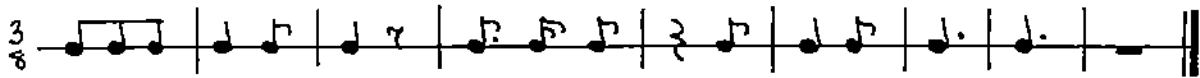
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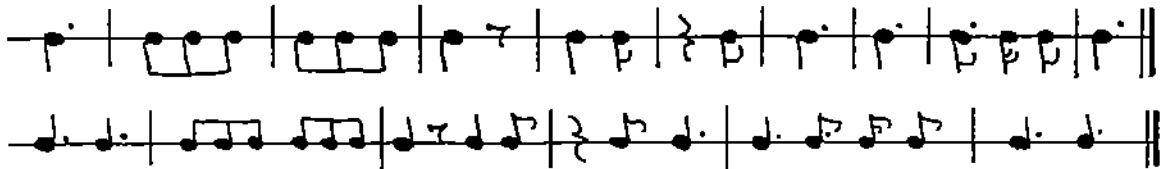
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Make the second one flat. (Be careful!)



Write in the beats (such as 1 2 3, etc.) below the given rhythms.
Watch the time signatures!



Add the time signatures to the rhythmic examples below.



On the staff, write the note that is the correct interval above
the given note.



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Write a plagal cadence (I IV I) in each key. Use whole notes.
Write the letter names for each chord.

G:	C*:	B:	A:
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What is the order of sharps for key signatures?

Name the "sharp" major keys around the circle of fifths.

Name the notes in the A natural minor scale.
Mark the half steps.

Analysis

Your teacher will give you a piece in rondo form to analyse.
Label the sections below; give measure numbers for each section.
(Your piece may contain more or fewer than five sections.)

- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
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Write a brief definition for each of the following terms.

- accompaniment _____
- counterpoint _____
- ornamentation _____
- inversion (triad) _____
- suite _____
- three triad positions _____

Match the definition with the correct term.

- A a form frequently used in sonatas, symphonies, and concertos for the final movement. The "A" section "returns" after each episode of new material (ABACA...) _____ GLISSANDO
- B the playing of rapid scales on the piano by sliding the nail of the thumb or third finger across the keys _____ NATURAL MINOR SCALE
- C constructed naturally by the key signature with no alterations. K W H W W H W W _____ RONDO
- D three strings; a direction to release soft (una corda) pedal _____ SYNCOPATION
- E one string; direction to use the soft pedal (left pedal) _____ SYNCOPATION/TYPES
- F holding a note over strong beat; having rests on strong beats; placing stress on weak beat _____ TRE CORDE
- G any deliberate disturbance of the normal pulse of the meter or rhythmic grouping; the shifting of accents to normally weak beats of a measure _____ UNA CORDA

Ear Training

Is the scale being played major (M) or natural minor (m)?

- 1. M m 2. M m 3. M m

Ear Training

Your teacher will play a short musical example.

Is the music in 3/4 or 4/4 time?

- 1. 3/4 4/4 2. 3/4 4/4 3. 3/4 4/4

Ear Training

In each example, two notes will be played.

Name the interval you hear.

- 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

LESSON TWO

Draw the symbol for each item below.

_____ double sharp

_____ 16th rest

_____ four 16th notes

_____ double flat

Identify each interval below (harmonic M3, melodic P1, etc.).

A musical staff with six measures. Each measure contains two notes. Below the staff are six horizontal lines for labeling the intervals.

Name the notes of the triads listed below.

D major - _____
 A major - _____
 B major - _____
 F# major - _____

C minor - _____
 E minor - _____
 C# Minor - _____
 G minor - _____

Add the time signatures to the rhythmic examples below.

Two musical staves. The top staff has a sequence of notes with stems pointing up, including eighth notes, quarter notes, and dotted quarter notes. The bottom staff has a sequence of notes with stems pointing down, including eighth notes, quarter notes, and dotted quarter notes.

Write the correct chords in root position in whole notes. Be sure to read the key signature and Roman numerals!

A musical staff with six empty measures. Below the staff are Roman numerals: B: I, E: IV, C: V, C#: V, F#: I, D: IV.

Write the sharps in their correct order on the staves below.

A musical staff with a treble clef and five empty lines.

A musical staff with a bass clef and five empty lines.

Name the notes in the major scales listed below.

E - _____

B - _____

C# - _____

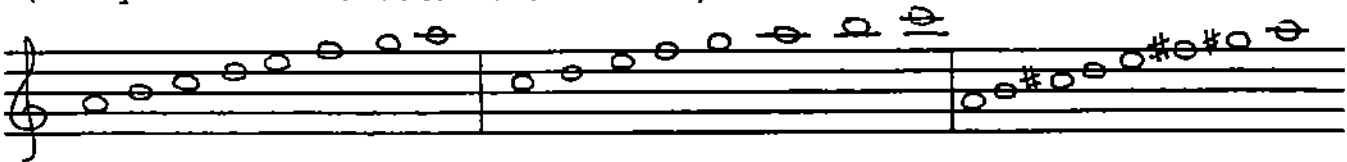
D - _____

F# - _____

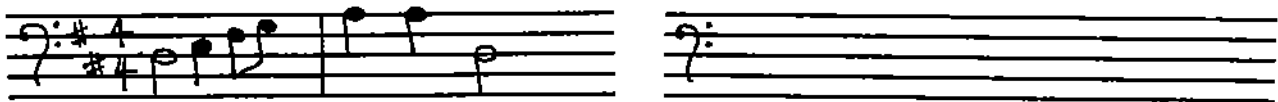
A - _____

One of the scales written below is the A natural minor scale. Circle it.

(Can you name the other two scales?)



Transpose the following melody down a Major 2nd and write it on the second staff.



Music History

Using the elements below, describe musical style during the Baroque Period

counterpoint _____

ornamentation _____

articulation (legato/nonlegato) _____

tonality _____

Name the keyboard forms used during the Baroque period.

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Match the definition with the correct term.

- | | |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <u>A</u> as quickly as possible | _____ CANTABILE |
| <u>B</u> in a similar manner,
in the same way | _____ DOLCE |
| <u>C</u> in a singing style
or manner | _____ MENO |
| <u>D</u> less | _____ MOSSO |
| <u>E</u> more | _____ PIU |
| <u>F</u> motion | _____ PRESTISSIMO |
| <u>G</u> sweetly | _____ SIMILE |

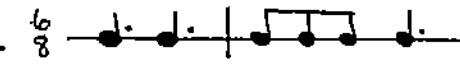
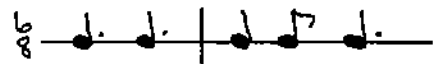
Ear Training


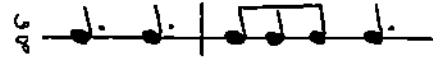
In each example, two notes (an interval) will be played.
The 1st note is given. Write a whole note for the 2nd note.


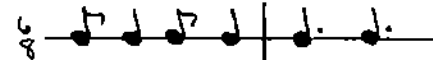
1.  2.  3. 

Ear Training

In each example, your teacher will play two rhythmic patterns.
Circle the rhythm you hear.

1.  or 

2.  or 

3.  or 

Ear Training

Circle the chord progression below that is played.

- | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. I V7 I | 2. I V7 I | 3. I V7 I |
| or | or | or |
| I IV I | I IV I | I IV I |

LESSON THREE

On the staff, write the note that is the correct interval above the given note.

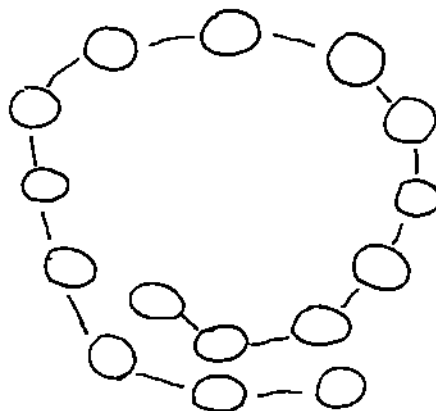
P4 #0 M7 M6 M3 P8

Add barlines to the following rhythmic examples.

Write one note equal to the total value of the notes given in each example. (ex. $\text{♪♪♪} = \text{♪}$)

Name the key signatures below.

Write the names of the "sharp" major keys in the circle of fifths diagram below.



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Write the A natural minor scale in half notes.
Mark the half steps.

Write the correct Roman numerals under each chord in the cadences below.

Write a plagal cadence (I IV I) in each key. Use whole notes.
Write the letter names for each chord.

Identify the triads written on the staff below.
(C major, F minor, etc.)

Music History

What are the dances included in the Baroque suite?
Describe the tempo and meter of each one.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Name some of the dances that could be included in the Baroque suite (optional dances). Describe the tempo and meter of each.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Fill in the blank the term that fits the definition given.

_____ the playing of rapid scales on the piano by sliding the nail of the thumb or third finger across the keys

_____ the form of the minor scale which is constructed naturally by the key signature with no alterations. K W H W W H W W

_____ a form frequently used in sonatas, symphonies, and concertos for the final movement. The "A" section "returns" after each episode of new material (ABACA...)

_____ any deliberate disturbance of the normal pulse of the meter or rhythmic grouping; the shifting of accents to normally weak beats of a measure

_____ holding onto a note over the strong beat; having rests on strong beats; placing a stress on a weak beat

_____ three strings; a direction to release the soft (una corda) pedal

_____ one string; direction to use soft pedal (left pedal)

Ear Training

Write the Roman numerals for the chord progression being played.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Ear Training

Is the scale being played major (M) or natural minor (m)?

- 1. M m
- 2. M m
- 3. M m

Ear Training

Each melody written below has 3-4 missing notes.

Write in the missing notes after your teacher plays each melody.

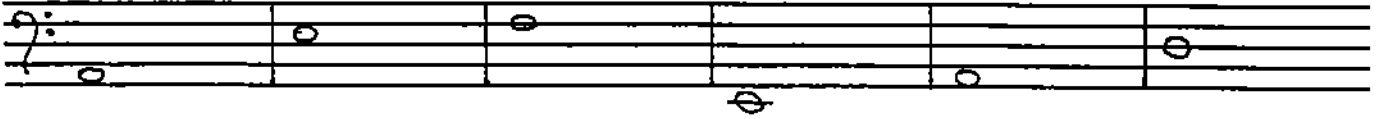
1. 

2. 

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LESSON FOUR

Rewrite each note an octave higher on the same staff.



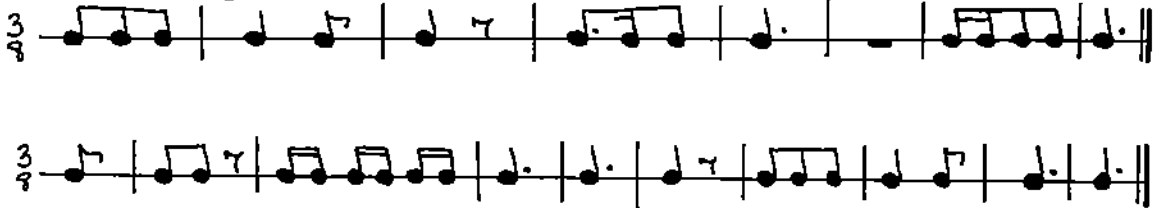
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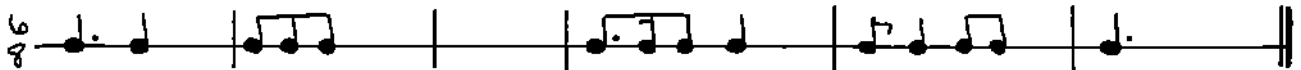
For each pair of notes, make the first one a double sharp. Make the second one sharp. (Be careful!)



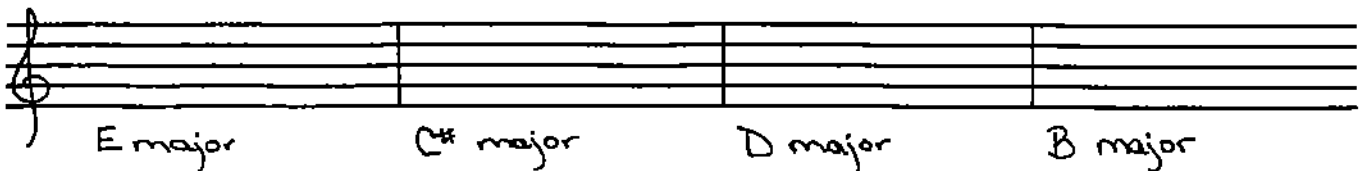
Write in the beats (such as 1 2 3, etc.) below the given rhythms. Watch the time signatures!



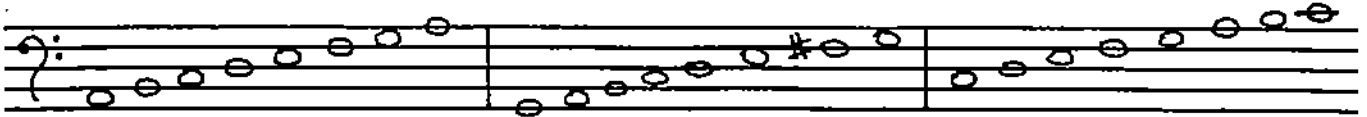
Each of the measures below is incomplete. Fill in one rest in each measure to make it complete.



Write the key signatures on the staff below.



One of the scales written below is the A natural minor scale.
Circle it.
(Can you name the other two scales?)



Name the "sharp" major keys around the circle of fifths.

Name the notes of the triads listed below.

- | | | | |
|------------|-------|------------|-------|
| C major - | _____ | D minor - | _____ |
| G major - | _____ | B minor - | _____ |
| E major - | _____ | F# Minor - | _____ |
| C# major - | _____ | A minor - | _____ |

Write the correct triads on the staff. Use half notes.

B major F# minor C minor A major G minor C# major

Analysis

Your teacher will give you a piece in rondo form to analyse.
Label the sections below; give measure numbers for each section.
(Your piece may contain more or fewer than five sections.)

- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
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- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____

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Match the definition with the correct term.

- | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <p><u>A</u> root position, 1st inversion,
2nd inversion</p> | <p>_____ ACCOMPANIMENT</p> |
| <p><u>B</u> an "upside down" chord
(root is not on bottom)</p> | <p>_____ COUNTERPOINT</p> |
| <p><u>C</u> musical background provided
for a principal part.
In piano music it is the
harmonic background supplied
in various textures, with a
melody serving as
"principal part."</p> | <p>_____ ORNAMENTATION</p> |
| <p><u>D</u> instrumental composition
consisting of several movements
based on dances, usually
written in the same or
closely related keys.</p> | <p>_____ INVERSION (triad)</p> |
| <p><u>E</u> two or more independent
melodic lines moving along
at the same time. Their
movement together
creates harmony.</p> | <p>_____ SUITE</p> |
| <p><u>F</u> decorative melodic figures
used to make a melody more
expressive (i.e., trill,
turn, grace notes).</p> | <p>_____ TRIAD POSITIONS</p> |

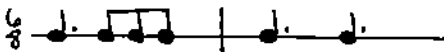


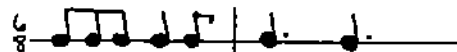

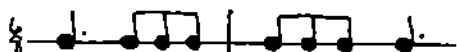
Ear Training

Circle the chord progression below that is played.

- | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. I V7 I | 2. I V7 I | 3. I V7 I |
| or | or | or |
| I IV I | I IV I | I IV I |

Ear Training

In each example, your teacher will play two rhythmic patterns.
Circle the rhythm you hear.

- | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <p>1. </p> | <p>OR</p> | <p></p> |
| <p>2. </p> | <p>OR</p> | <p></p> |
| <p>3. </p> | <p>OR</p> | <p></p> |

LESSON FIVE

Draw the symbol for each item below.

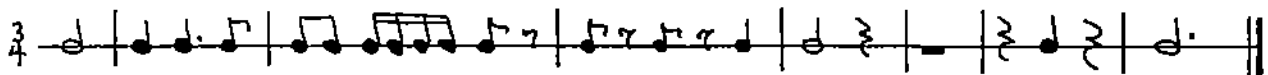
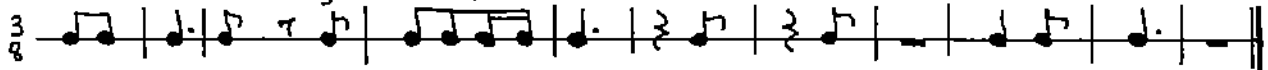
_____ four 16th notes

_____ 16th rest

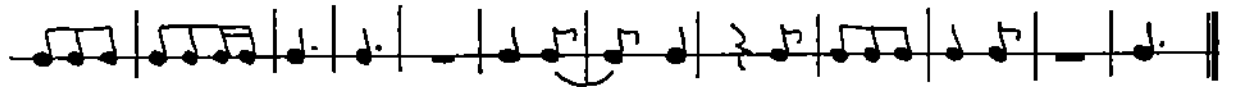
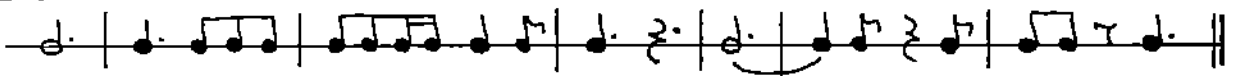
_____ 16th note

_____ dotted 8th note

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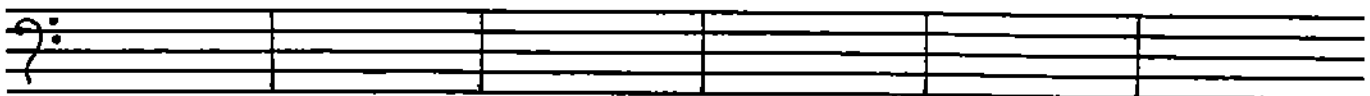
Add the time signatures to the rhythmic examples below.



Identify each interval below (harmonic M3, melodic P1 etc.).



Write root position triads on the staff. Use whole notes.



F# major C# minor E minor B minor D major E major

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Circle the chord progressions below that form a Plagal Cadence.
Identify each chord in each cadence with Roman numerals.

Transpose the following melody down a Major 2nd
and write it on the second staff.

What is the order of sharps for key signatures?

Write the major scales on the staff.

D major

F# major

G major

Name the notes in the A natural minor scale.
Mark the half steps.

Analysis

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Label the sections below; give measure numbers for each section.
(Your piece may contain more or fewer than five sections.)

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- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____

Fill in the blank the term that fits the definition given.

_____ two or more independent melodic lines moving along at the same time. Their movement together creates harmony.

_____ instrumental composition consisting of several movements based on dances, usually written in the same or closely related keys.

_____ an "upside down" chord in which the root is no longer on bottom.

_____ the musical background provided for a principal part. In piano music it is the harmonic background supplied in various textures, along with a melody which serves as the "principal part."

_____ decorative melodic figures used to make the melody more expressive (i.e., trill, turn, grace notes).

_____ root position, first inversion, second inversion

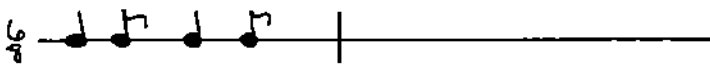
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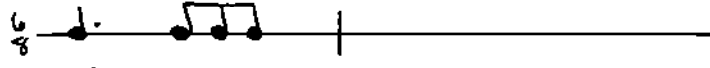
In each example, two notes will be played. Name the interval you hear.

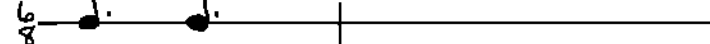
- 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

Ear Training

Your teacher will play a 2-measure rhythmic pattern on one note. The first measure is given below. Write the second measure.

1. 

2. 

3. 

Ear Training

Your teacher will play a short musical example. Is the music major or minor?

- 1. major minor 2. major minor 3. major minor

LESSON SIX

Each of the measures below is incomplete.
Fill in one rest in each measure to make it complete.

A musical staff in 3/8 time with six measures. The notes are: Measure 1: quarter note; Measure 2: eighth notes; Measure 3: quarter rest; Measure 4: eighth notes; Measure 5: quarter rest; Measure 6: eighth note.

Write one rest equal to the total value of the notes given in each example. (ex.)

Four examples of note groups followed by equals signs: 1. quarter note + eighth notes; 2. eighth notes; 3. eighth notes + quarter notes; 4. quarter note + eighth notes.

On the staff, write the note that is the correct interval above the given note.

A musical staff with six notes: G4, A4, B4, C#5, D5, E5. Below the staff are handwritten interval labels: M3, M7, M6, m3, P4, M2.

Write each triad in all three positions (root, 1st and 2nd inversions). Use whole notes.

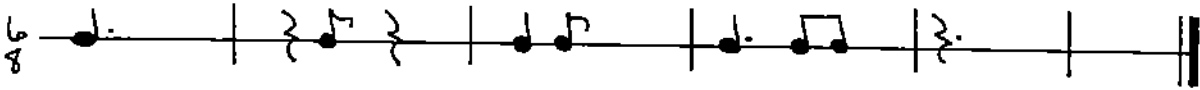
Four empty musical staves with handwritten chord names below them: D major, C# minor, B minor, E major.

Circle the chord progressions below that form a Plagal Cadence. Identify each chord in each cadence with letter names.

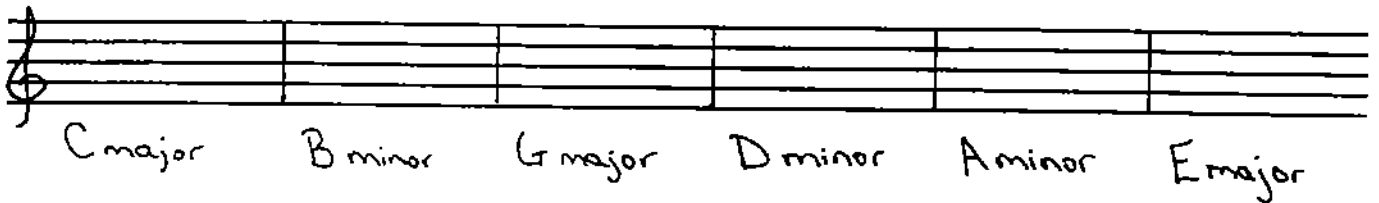
A musical staff showing a sequence of chords: D major, C# minor, B minor, E major, D major, C# minor, B minor, E major.

LESSON SEVEN

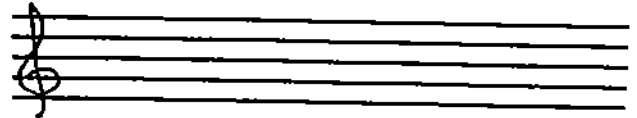
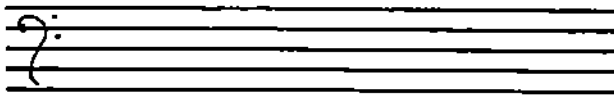
Each of the measures below is incomplete.
Fill in one note or rest in each measure to make it complete.



Write the correct triads on the staff. Use half notes.



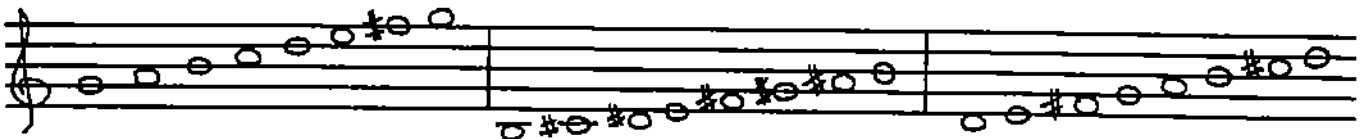
Write the sharps in their correct order on the staves below.

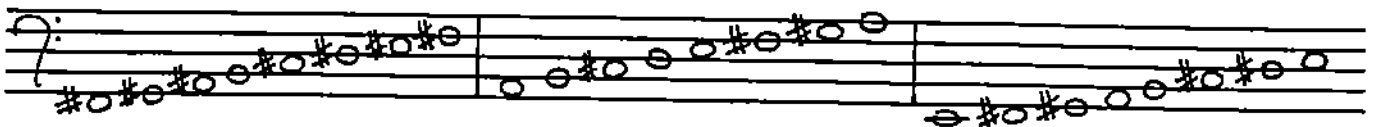


Name the key signatures below.



Name the major scales below.





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Write the major scales on the staff.

B major E major C# major

Write each triad in all three positions (root, 1st and 2nd inversions). Use whole notes.

A major B major D minor C minor

Write the letter names under each chord in the cadences below..

Music History

In your own words, describe musical style during the Baroque period.

Write the major scales on the staff.

F# major D major E major

Identify the triads written on the staff below.
(C major, F minor, etc.)

Write each triad in all three positions (root, 1st and 2nd inversions). Use whole notes.

A minor F# major E minor G major

On the staff, write the note that is the correct interval above the given note.

P4 M3 P5 M7 m3 M6 P5

Write the correct chords in root position in whole notes.
Be sure to read the key signature and Roman numerals!

G: IV A: V B: IV C: IV C#: I F#: IV

Write a plagal cadence in each key. Use whole notes.
Write the Roman numerals for each chord.

7:			
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C: _____ F#: _____ D: _____ E: _____

Write a brief definition for each of the following terms.

- cantabile _____
- dolce _____
- meno _____
- mosso _____
- piu _____
- prestissimo _____
- simile _____

Analysis

Your teacher will give you a piece in rondo form to analyse.
Label the sections below; give measure numbers for each section.
(Your piece may contain more or fewer than five sections.)

- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____
- _____ SECTION: measures _____ - _____

Ear Training

Two chord progressions will be played. Which one was the progression I IV I V7 I?

- 1. 1st 2nd 2. 1st 2nd 3. 1st 2nd

Ear Training

Your teacher will play a short musical example.
Is the music major or minor?

- 1. major minor 2. major minor 3. major minor

<p>Allemande, Courante, Sarabande, Gigue</p>	<p>trill, turn, mordent, appoggiatura, suspension, grace notes, rapid scale passages</p>
<p>concertos, preludes and fugues, inventions, sonatas, suites, theme and variations</p>	<p>includes Gavotte, Minuet, Polonaise, Bourree</p>
<p>lively tempo</p>	<p>4/4, moderate tempo, short upbeat</p>
<p>6/8, fast tempo</p>	<p>3/4, slow tempo</p>
<p>3/4, slow tempo</p>	<p>4/4, moderate tempo, begins on 3rd beat of measure</p>

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types of ornamentation

standard dances of the
Baroque suite

optional dances of
the Baroque suite

Baroque Keyboard Forms

Allemande

Courante

Sarabande

Gigue

Gavotte

Minuet

<p>3/4, stately tempo</p>	<p>2/4, fast tempo, begins on upbeat</p>
<p>the form of the minor scale which is constructed naturally by the key signature with no alterations. K W H W W H W W</p>	<p>the playing of rapid scales on the piano by sliding the nail of the thumb or third finger across the keys</p>
<p>any deliberate disturbance of the normal pulse of the meter or rhythmic grouping; the shifting of accents to normally weak beats of a measure</p>	<p>a form frequently used in sonatas, symphonies, and concertos for the final movement. The "A" section "returns" after each episode of new material (ABACA...)</p>
<p>three strings; a direction to release the soft (una corda) pedal</p>	<p>holding onto a note over the strong beat; having rests on strong beats; placing a stress on a weak beat</p>
<p>in a singing style or manner</p>	<p>one string; direction to use the soft pedal (left pedal)</p>

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Bourree

Polonaise

glissando

natural minor scale

rondo

syncopation

types of syncopation

tre corde

una corda

cantabile

<p>less</p>	<p>sweetly</p>
<p>motion</p>	<p>more</p>
<p>in a similar manner, in the same way</p>	<p>as quickly as possible</p>
<p>an "upside down" chord (root is not on bottom)</p>	<p>root position, 1st inversion, 2nd inversion</p>
<p>instrumental composition consisting of several movements based on dances, usually written in the same or closely related keys.</p>	<p>musical background provided for a principal part. In piano music it is the harmonic background supplied in various textures, with a melody serving as "principal part."</p>

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dolce

meno

piu

mosso

prestissimo

simile

three triad positions

inversion (triad)

accompaniment

suite

	<p>two or more independent melodic lines moving along at the same time. Their movement together creates harmony.</p>
	<p>decorative melodic figures used to make a melody more expressive (i.e., trill, turn, grace notes).</p>

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counterpoint

ornamentation