Music for Little Mozarts

A Piano Course to Bring Out the Music in Every Young Child (Ages 4-6)

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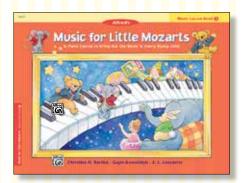
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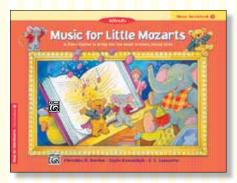
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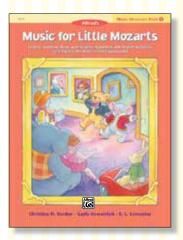
Three comprehensive books at each of the four levels guide the children through a comprehensive approach to music learning.



Music Lesson Books introduce students to new musical concepts as they follow the story of Beethoven Bear, Mozart Mouse, and their Music Friends.



Music Workbooks contain pages to color that reinforce the musical concepts introduced in the *Music Lesson Books*.



Music Discovery Books feature songs that allow students to experience music through singing, movement, and response to rhythm patterns.

CDs include all of the music in the Music Lesson Books and Music Discovery Books as well as the narration for the story.

Beethoven Bear, Mozart Mouse, and their Music Friends plush toys stimulate the students' imaginations.





Clara Schumann-Cat (19767)



Mozart Mouse (14653)



Elgar E. Elephant (21228)



Professor Haydn Hippo (18792)



Nannerl Mouse (18791)

New Concepts in Music Lesson Book 1:

How to Sit at the Piano

Hand Position

Low and High Sounds

Moving Up and Down the Keyboard

Loud Sounds (f) and Soft Sounds (p)

Finger Numbers

2 Black Keys

Quarter Note ()

Bar Lines and Double Bar

3 Black Keys

Quarter Rest (\$\)

Repeat Sign

Keys on the Keyboard (D, C, E, B, A)

Half Note ()

Half Rest (**→**)

Whole Note (**o**)

Whole Rest (**→**)

New Concepts in Music Lesson Book 2:

Dotted Half Note (.)

Keys on the Keyboard (F, G)

Time Signatures (4, 3)

Mezzo Forte (mf)

Line Notes and Space Notes

Treble Clef

Steps and Skips

Treble Clef Notes



Bass Clef

Bass Clef Notes



Grand Staff

New Concepts in Music Lesson Book 3:

Bass Clef Notes (

Staccato

Intervals: 2nds, 3rds, 4ths, 5ths

Legato, Slur

Melodic and Harmonic Intervals

Playing Hands Together

f-p

New Concepts in Music Lesson Book 4:

Treble Clef Notes (

Bass Clef Notes (2)

Flat Sign (b)

Sharp Sign (#)

Tied Notes

Crescendo (———)

Diminuendo (______)



After completing the fourth level of the Music for Little Mozarts series, students should continue piano study in Alfred's Basic Piano Library, Prep Course, Level C, or Alfred's Premier Piano Course, Level 1B.











Nina Ballerina (21229) Puccini Pooch (17487)

J. S. Bunny (17216)

Correlation of Core Materials



PERFORMANCE MUSIC

Music Recital Books

Performance repertoire

Book 1 (19724)

Book 2 (19725)

Book 3 (19726)

Book 4 (19727)

Little Mozarts Go to Church

Sacred performance repertoire

Levels 1 & 2 (31820)

Levels 3 & 4 (31821)

Little Mozarts Go to Hollywood

Popular performance repertoire

Levels 1 & 2 (29094)

Levels 3 & 4 (29095)

Little Mozarts Perform The Nutcracker

Pe<mark>rformance repertoire from the ball</mark>et

Levels 3 & 4 (28272)

Character Solo Series

Beethoven Bear (Level 2) (23235)

Elgar E. Elephant (Level 2) (27715)

Mozart Mouse (Level 2) (23234)

Pachelbel Penguin (Level 2) (27798)

Clara Schumann-Cat (Level 3) (24619)

J. S. Bunny (Level 3) (24620)

Nannerl Mouse (Level 3) (27799)

Nina Ballerina (Level 3) (27717)

Professor Haydn Hippo (Level 4) (27716)

Puccini Pooch (Level 4) (27800)

Christmas Fun!

Book 1 (19720)

Book 2 (19721)

Book 3 (19722)

Book 4 (19723)

Halloween Fun!

Book 1 (20657)

Book 2 (20658)

Book 3 (21225)

Book 4 (21226)

STUDENT KITS

Student Starter Kit

Vinyl tote bag, Music Activity Board, and Mozart Mouse and Beethoven Bear plush animals (14586)

Deluxe Starter Kit

Same as above, plus Book 1 of the Music Lesson Book, Music Discovery Book, Music Workbook, Flash Cards, and CD Set (17194)

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT

Coloring Books

Imaginative, musical adventure pages

Fun with...

Book 1: Music Friends (19669)

Book 2: Music Friends at School (19670)

Book 3: Music Friends at the Piano

Lesson (19671)

Book 4: Music Friends in the City (19672)

CDs and General MIDI Accompaniments on USB

Flash Drive

All the music from the Music Lesson & Music Discovery Books plus more...

CDs (includes narration)

Book 1 (14578)

Book 2 (14582)

Book 3 (17184)

Book 4 (17190)

Flash Drive

Levels 1-4 (20620)

Flash Cards

Musical terms and symbols, rhythm patterns

Book 1 (14587)

Book 2 (14599)

Book 3 (17183)

Book 4 (17189)

Lesson Assignment Book

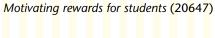
Includes assignment pages, practice records, and lesson evaluations

Book (17488)

Music Activity Board

Magnetic board on one side, dry erase board on the other side (19747)

Sticker Book



CONCEPT REINFORCEMENT

notespeller &

Sight-Play Books

Written activities and playing examples to reinforce note-reading

Book 1 (45268)

Book 2 (45125)

Book 3 (45126)

Book 4 (45127)

Rhythm Speller Books

Written activities and playing examples to reinforce rhythm-reading

Book 1 (47168)

Book 2 (47169)

Book 3 (47170)

B<mark>ook 4 (47171)</mark>

TEACHER MATERIALS

Teacher's Handbooks

Includes teaching tips and lesson plans

Books 1 & 2 (14585)

Books 3 & 4 (17192)

Rhythm Ensembles & Teaching Activities

Performance ensemble and strategies to reinforce musical concepts

Levels 1-4 (47172)



Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse and the Musical Argument

Once upon a time, there was a large house where a family with children just about your age lived. In that house, there was a wonderful playroom filled with every kind of toy imaginable. There were dolls and books, trains and trucks, puzzles and crayons and even a trunk with clothes for playing make believe. The children who lived in the house loved playing in this room. But of all the toys they had,

their favorite ones were a little stuffed bear

Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse,

and a little stuffed mouse. Their names were

Everyone knows that children play with toys. But do you know what toys do when children are not around? They play too? All of the toys played with one another in the playroom when the family was not at home. Well... all of them, that is, except Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse. When the family was away, they would sneak out of the playroom to their favorite place in the house—the Music Room!

Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse thought that the Music Room was the most special place in the whole house. It had shelves from floor to ceiling filled with music and books about music. There were cozy chairs and a sofa where the family sat as the children performed. But the very best thing in the whole room according to the little bear and mouse was the piano. They could not wait to hop on the keys and make beautiful sounds.

When the house was empty (except for the toys, of courset), Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse would creep out of the playroom and go to their favorite spot, the Music Room.

As they hurried down the stairs, Beethoven. Bear would sometimes say to Mozart Mouse, "I can't wait to play some low sounds!"

Mozart Mouse would reply, "I like high sounds the best!"

"No!" Beethoven Bear would argue. "Low sounds are best. They are perfect for a bear like me."

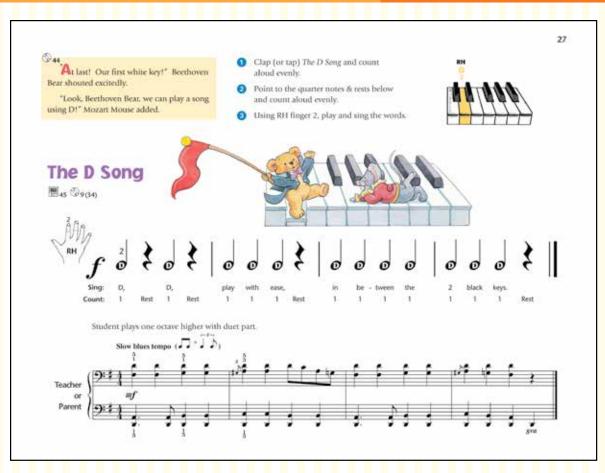
"No!" Mozatt Mouse would reply. "The high sounds are perfect for a mouse like me."

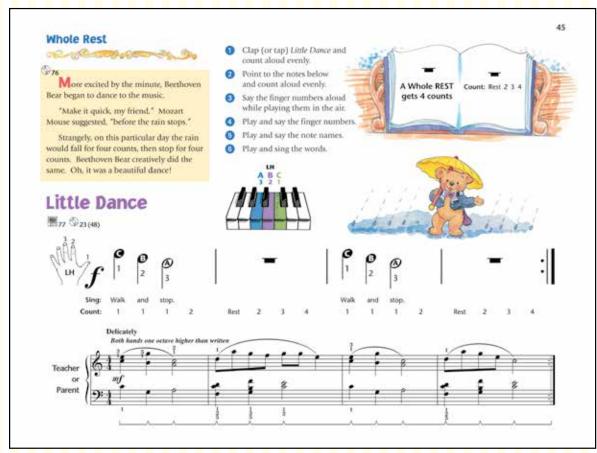
And so went the argument that Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse had many times when they played in the Music Room. When they weren't arguing, they would take a peek in the big book that was always left open on the music rack of the piano. "This must be a Magical Music Book," said Beetboven Bear. Mozart Mouse added, "It is simply wonderful! We can learn so many things from this book."

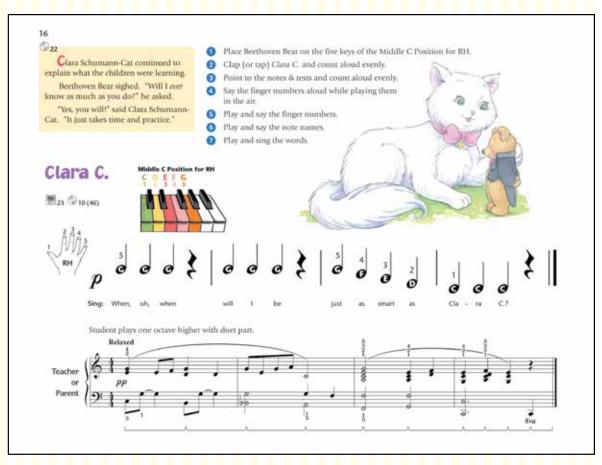
You can help Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse discover many exciting things about music by following the pages through the Music for Little Mozarts series. Let your musical adventure begin so you can share your favorite sounds with Beethoven Bear. Mozart Mouse, your friends and your family.

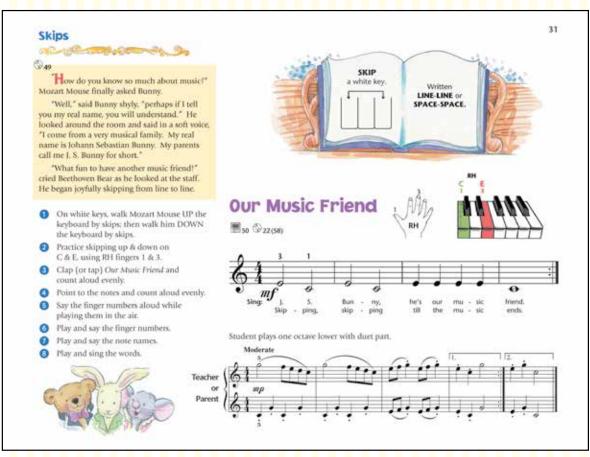


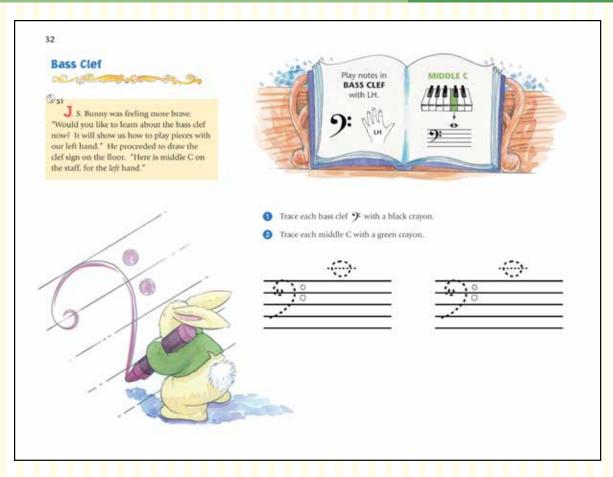


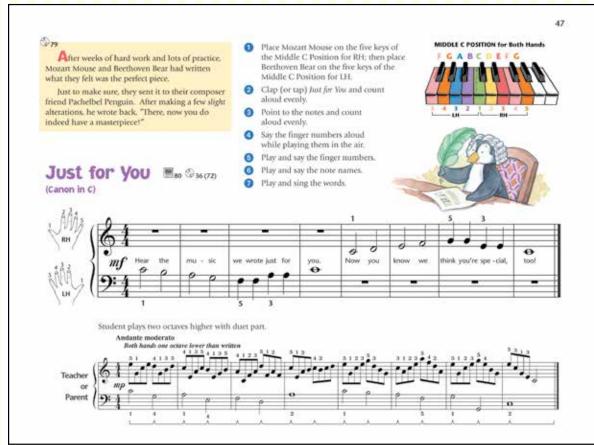


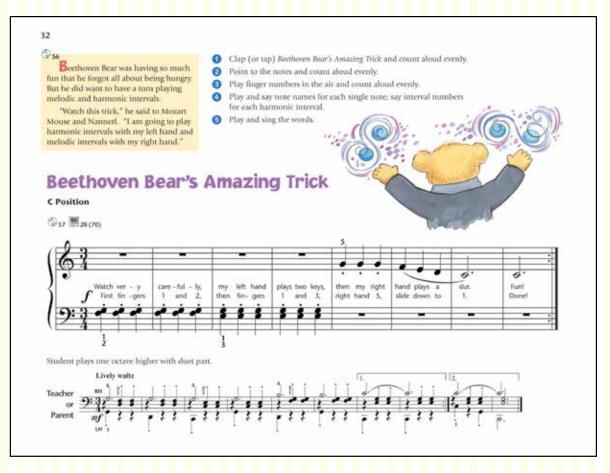


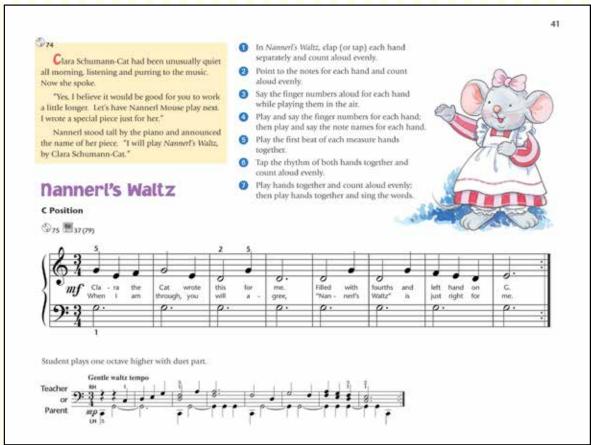


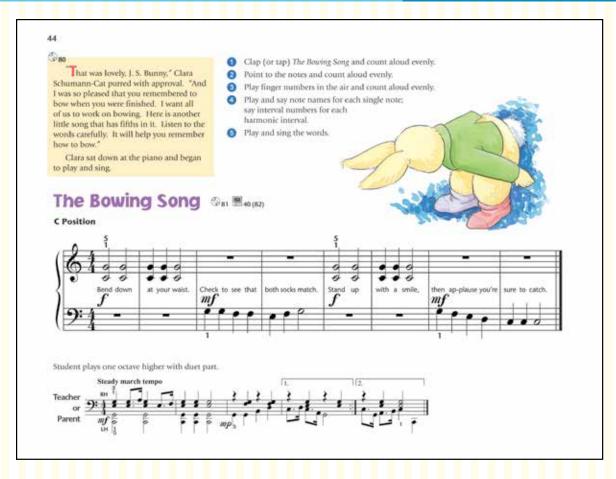


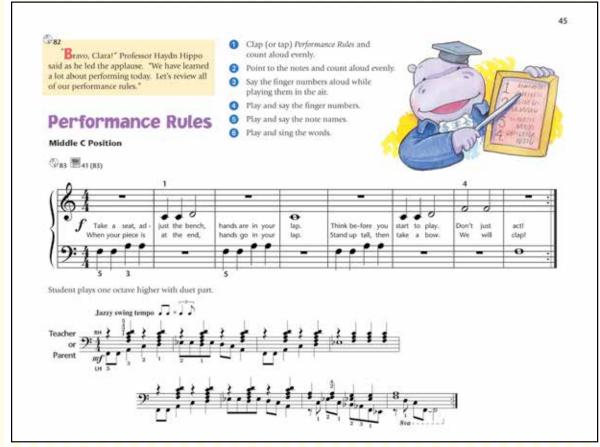


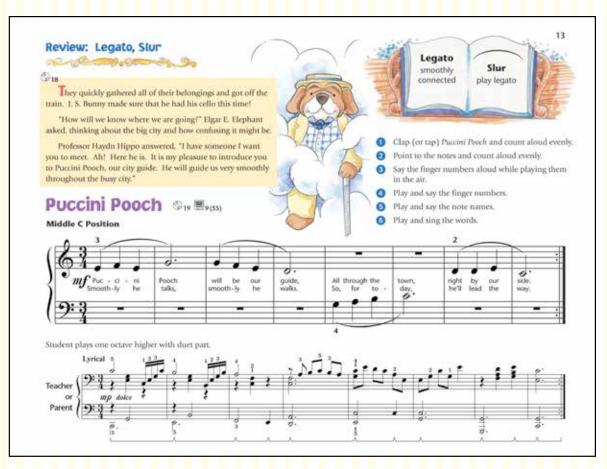


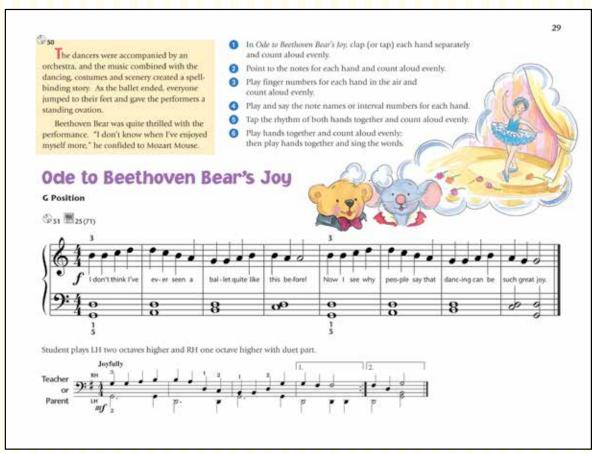


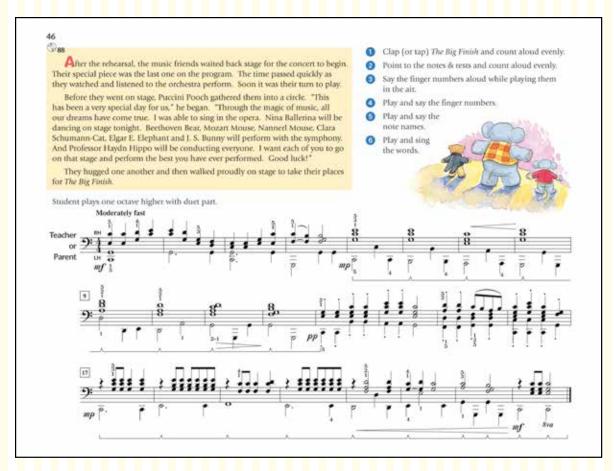




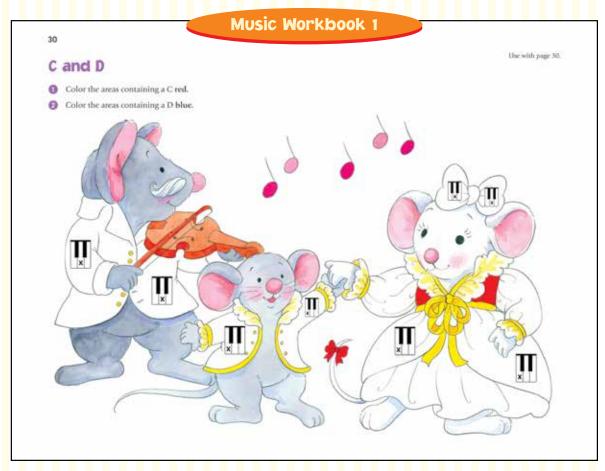


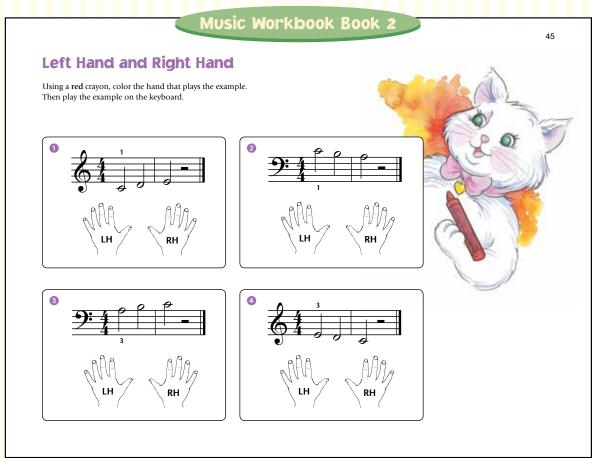


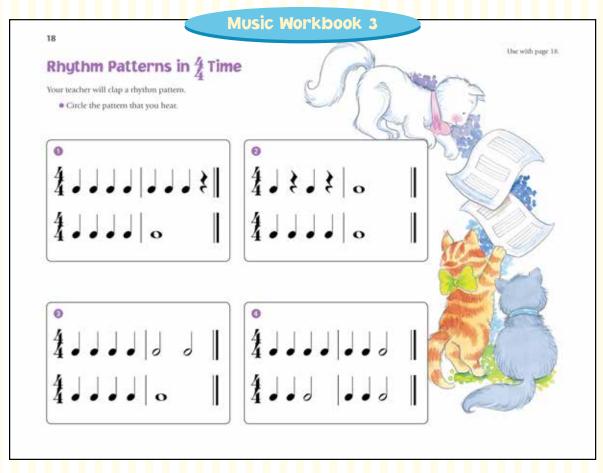


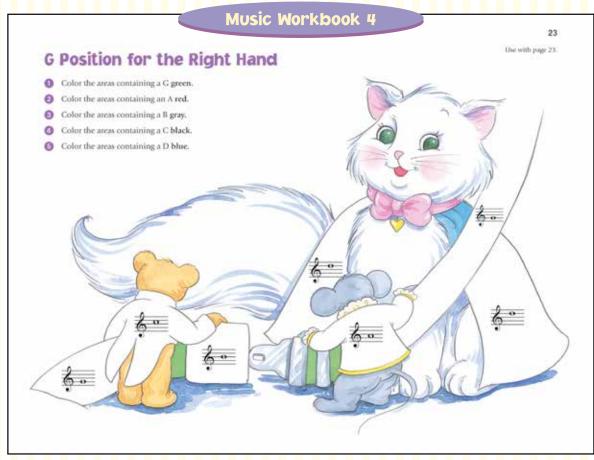




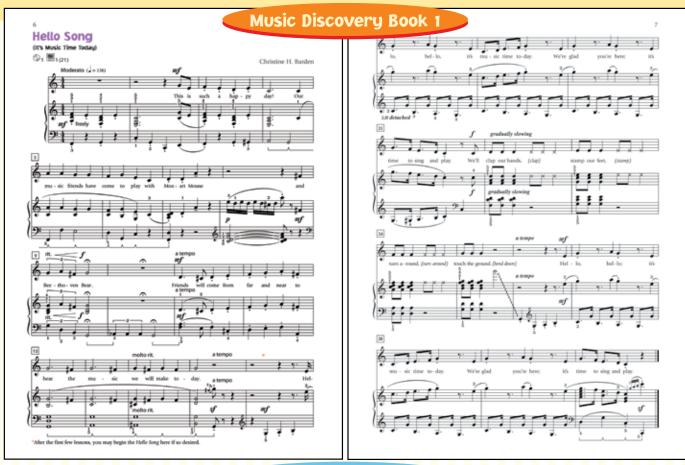


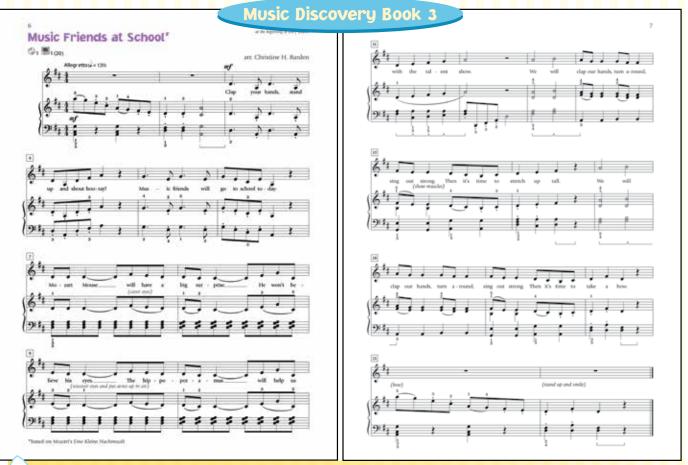






Music Discovery Books • Hello Songs

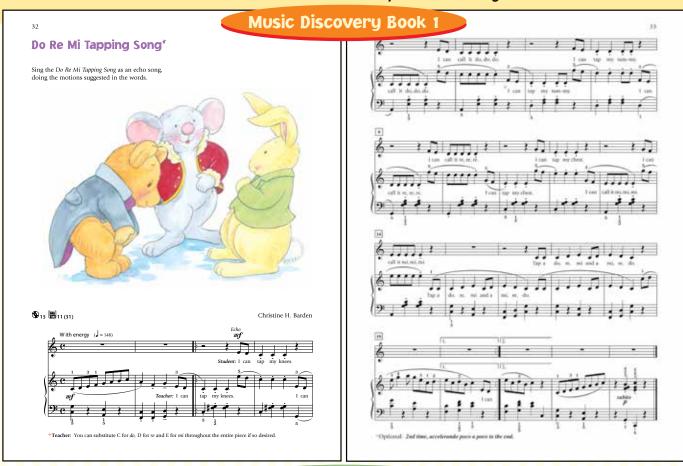


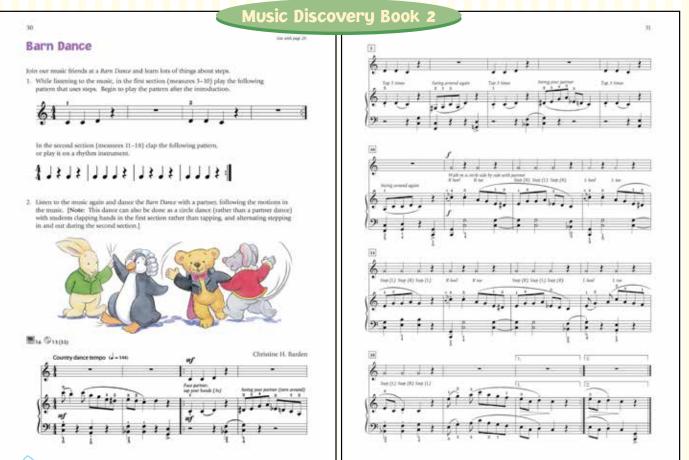


In each level, a "Hello Song" can be used at the beginning of every lesson. Each song is based on a famous classical theme, and the words introduce new characters, setting the stage for the story.

Hello Songs

Music Discovery Books • Songs with Words and Motions



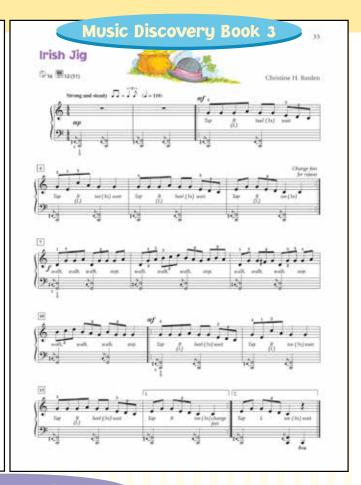


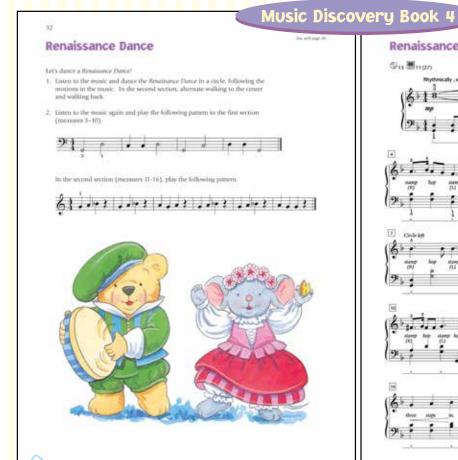
Songs with Words and Motions

Songs with words and motions help students develop large motor coordination skills by moving to the beat of the music.

Music Discovery Books • Structured Dances



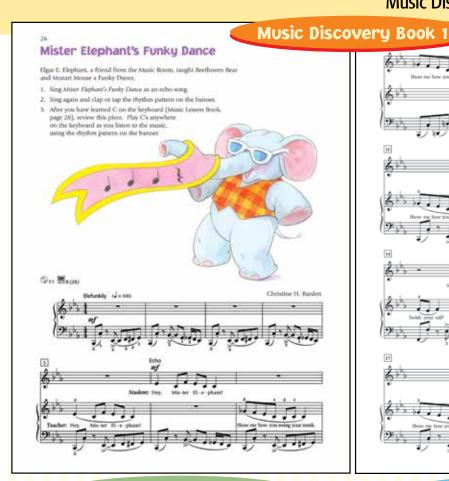




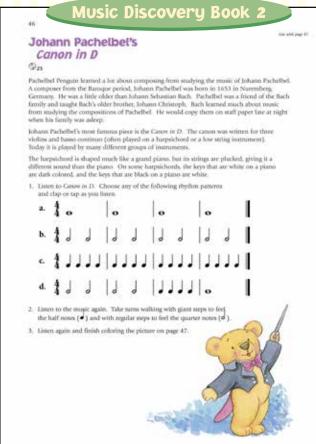


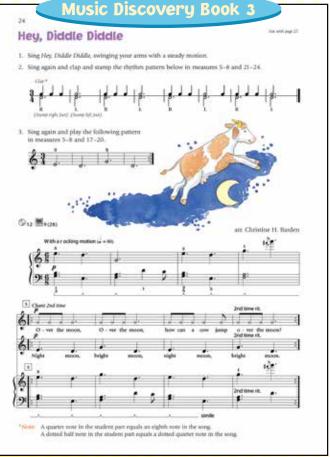
Structured Dances

Dances develop concentration through memorizing structured dance steps. They also create an instinctive feeling for phrasing and musical form.



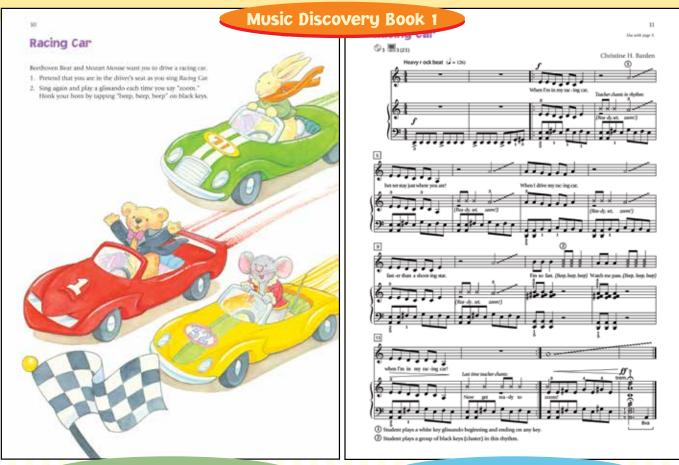




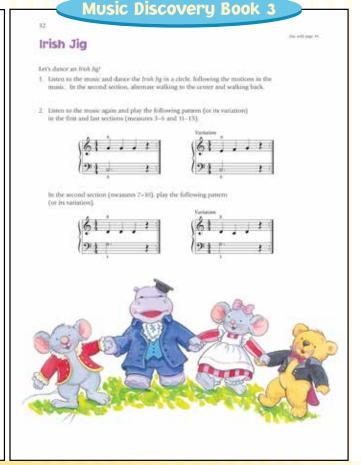


Rhythm ostinato figures help students internalize patterns by providing a forum Rhythm Ostinatos for practicing these patterns many times while still maintaining musical interest.

Music Discovery Books • Melodic Ostinatos



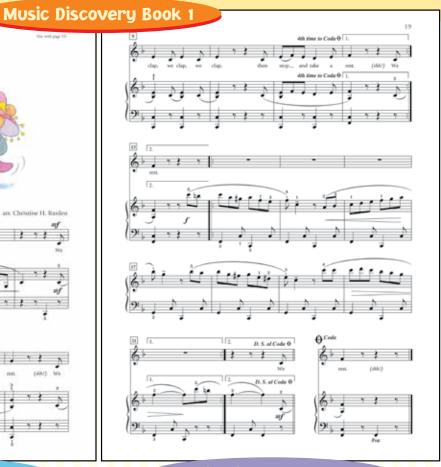




Melodic Ostinatos

Melodic ostinatos played on the keyboard reinforce the technique necessary to perform patterns such as intervals and five-finger patterns.





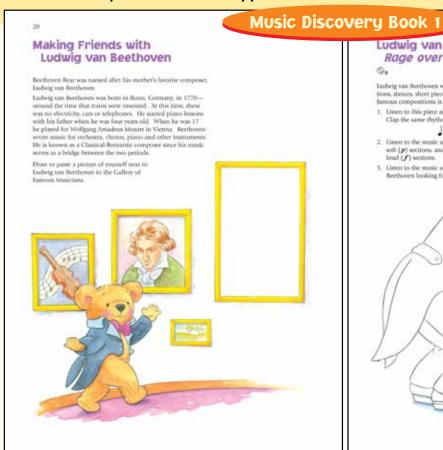


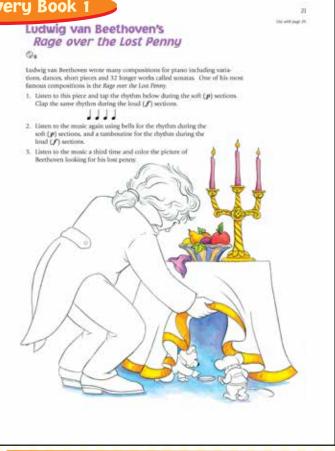


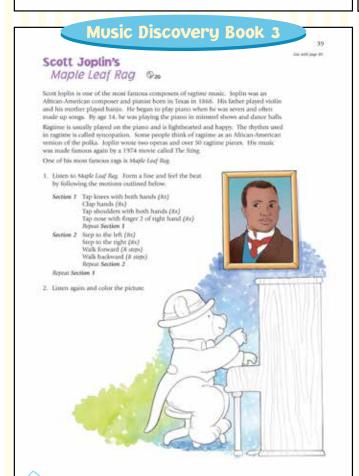
Familiar Folk Songs

Students enjoy singing familiar folk songs with words they already know. Clever alternate words are provided for many of the folk songs to reinforce musical concepts.

Music Discovery Books • Music Appreciation







Book 1

Beethoven—Rage over the Lost Penny
Mozart—Variations on Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star
Sousa—Stars and Stripes Forever
Mozart—Minuet in F Major
Beethoven—Symphony No. 5 in C Minor

Book 2

Schumann—The Wild Rider

J. Strauss—The Blue Danube Waltz

J. S. Bach—Toccata and Fugue in D Minor

J. S. Bach—Musette in D Major

Saint-Saëns—Carnival of the Animals

Pachelbel—Canon in D

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Rimsky-Korsakov—The Flight of the Bumblebee
Ravel—Mother Goose Suite
Haydn—Symphony in C Major, Op. 94 (Surprise)
Tchaikovsky—The Nutcracker
Haydn—German Dance in G Major
Joplin—Maple Leaf Rag

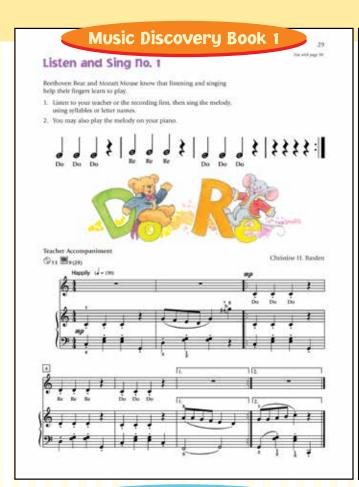
Book 4

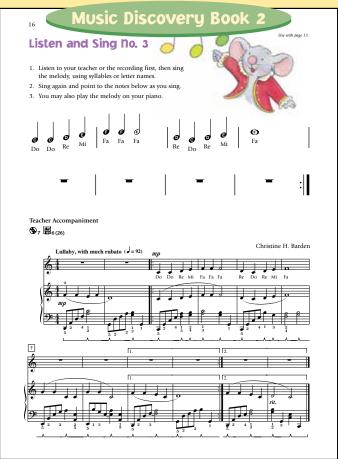
Brahms—Waltz in A-flat Major, Op. 39, No. 15
Verdi—Rigoletto
Tchaikovsky—Swan Lake
Chopin—Polonaise in A Major, Op. 40, No. 1
(Military)
Elgar—Pomp and Circumstance No. 1

Music Appreciation

Students are introduced to 22 appealing compositions by 17 composers, and to the families of instruments, symphony orchestra, opera, piano recitals, and fine art.

Music Discovery Books • Pitch Matching





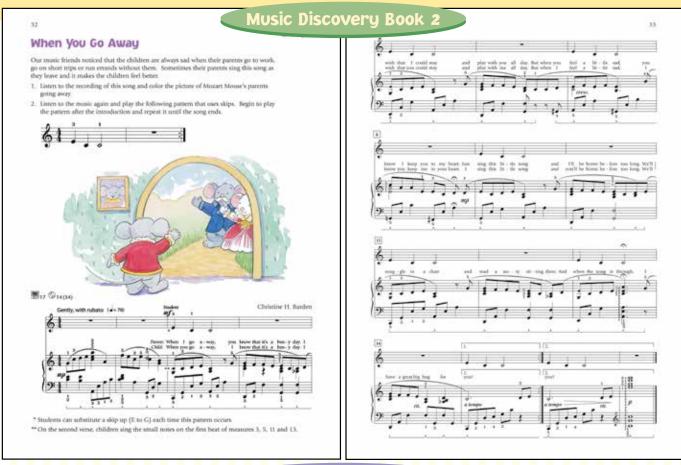


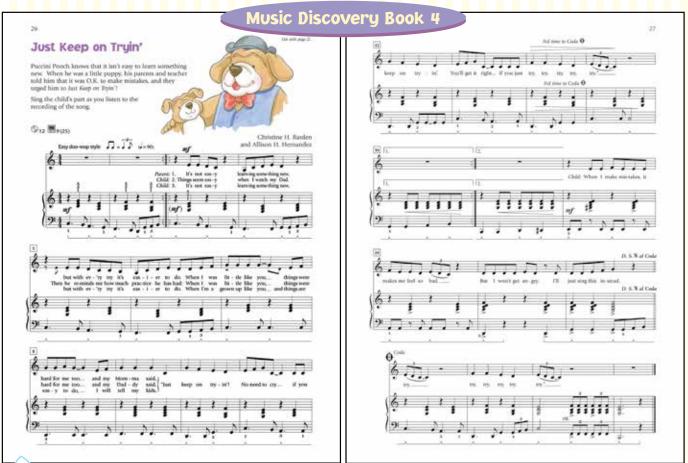


Pitch Matching

"Listen and Sing" pages include melodies for singing (using solfège or letter names) with interesting accompaniments to aid with pitch and interval study.

Music Discovery Books • Expressive Singing



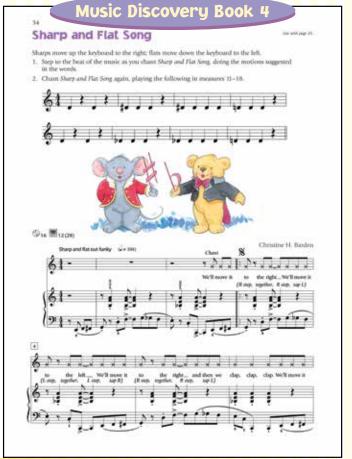


Expressive Singing

Songs for expressive singing show how music can express human emotions. Subject matter for each song was chosen from typical experiences young children might face on a daily basis.





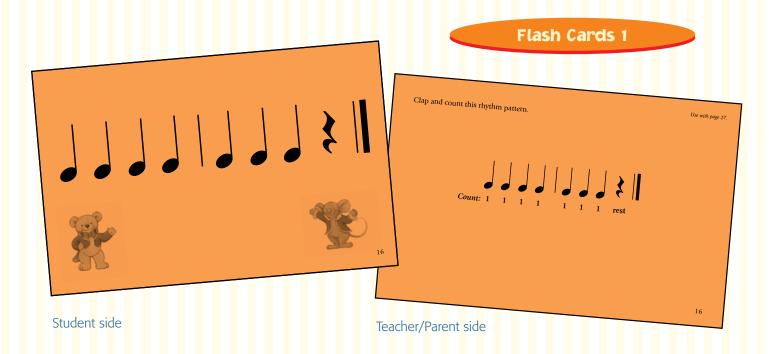


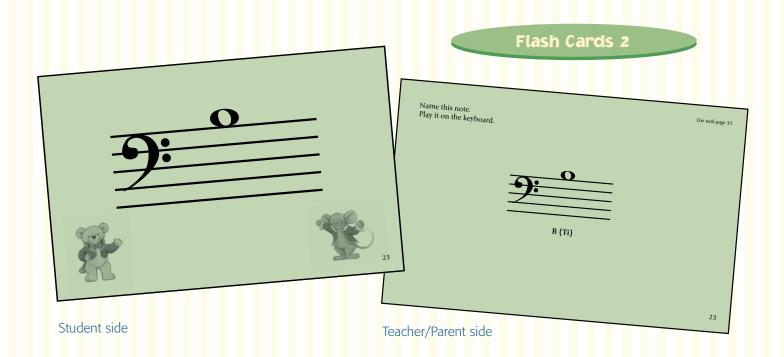
Concept Songs

The words to concept songs help students remember important musical concepts such as steps, skips, sharps, and flats.

Flash Cards

- The front of each card contains a musical symbol or rhythm pattern for the student to identify.
- The back of each card contains a question for the teacher or parent to ask the student, as well as the answer to the question.
- The cards are numbered in the bottom right corner to correspond with the order in which concepts are introduced in the Music Lesson Book.





Flash Cards 3 Note the particular and described and security and the mental bottom of the mode. But in the mental bottom of the mode of the mode of the security and the mode of the security and the mode. Student side Flash Cards 3 Plash Cards 3 Plash Cards 3 Plash Cards 10 March 10 Ma

With the right hand, tap and count the rhythm pattern above the line. Tap and count the rhythm pattern below the line. Count: 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 Student side Teacher/Parent side

Music Recital Books 1–3 contain original music to reinforce concepts that are introduced in the corresponding Music Lesson Book. Challenge pieces are based on familiar folk tunes and are usually longer than the original music. All of the repertoire in Music Book 4 uses folk tunes.



Book 1 Challenge Repertoire

Hot Cross Buns
Sur le Pont d'Avignon
Go Tell Aunt Rhody
Two-Note Lullaby
All Through the Night
One, Two, Three, Four, Five (Part 1)
One, Two, Three, Four, Five (Part 2)

Book 2 Challenge Repertoire

Shoo, Fly
The Muffin Man
Ring Around the Rosy
Yankee Doodle
London Bridge
Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Book 3 Challenge Repertoire

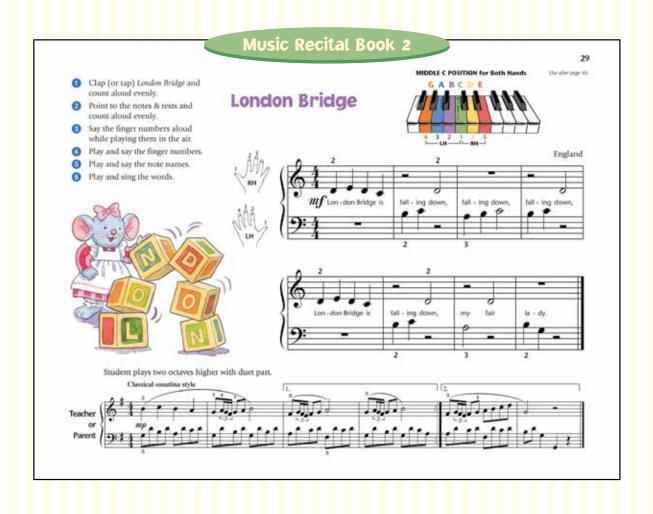
Camptown Races
Hush, Little Baby
The Wheels on the Bus
Old MacDonald Had a Farm
Aura Lee

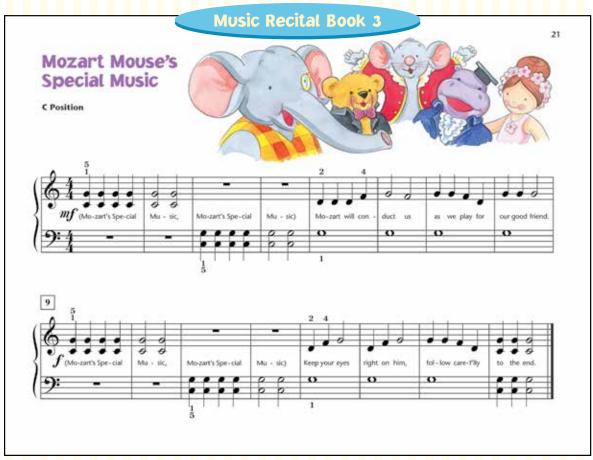
B<mark>ook 4 Repertoire</mark>

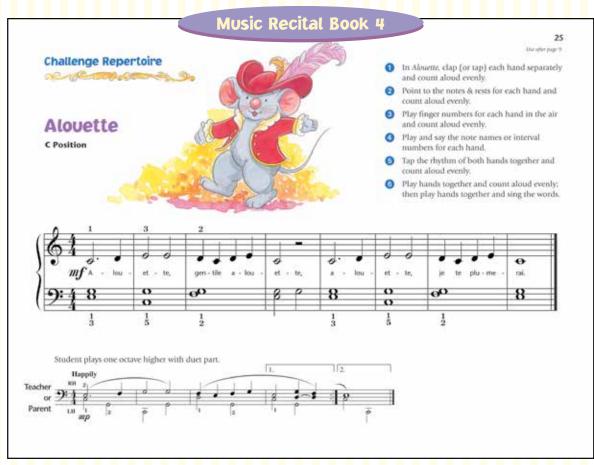
Trumpet Voluntary
Anvil Chorus
Song of the Volga Boatmen
Square Dance (L'il Liza Jane)
Mozart's Music (Lightly Row)
The Opera Friend (Hey, Diddle Diddle)
The Class Mascot (Snake Dance)
No New Song (March Slav)
Oh, Dear! What Can the Matter Be?
Happy Ending (Can-Can)
Music Star Waltz (The Merry Widow Waltz)

Book 4 Challenge Repertoire

Alouette
If You're Happy and You Know It
The Mulberry Bush
Theme from Swan Lake



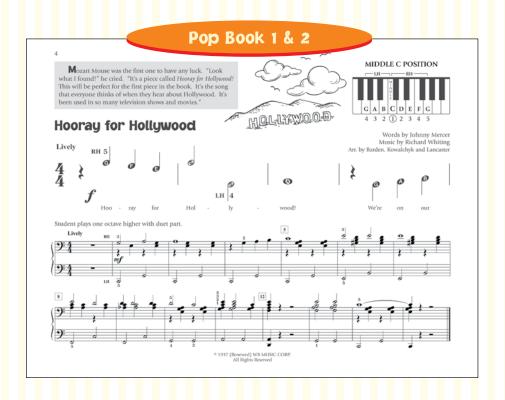




Book 1 & 2 Titles

Hooray for Hollywood
Springtime
Winnie the Pooh
Mickey Mouse March
This Land Is Your Land
If I Only Had a Brain
The Lion Sleeps Tonight
Scooby Doo, Where Are You?
(Meet) The Flintstones
Happy Birthday to You

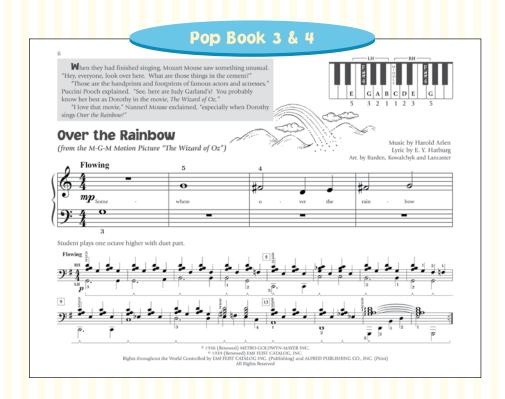




Book 3 & 4 Titles

Puff (the Magic Dragon)
Over the Rainbow
The Imperial March
Star Wars® (Main Title)
Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious
Theme from "Superman"
The Pink Panther
The Chicken Dance
Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow
Polka Dot Bikini
Yo Ho (A Pirate's Life for Me)

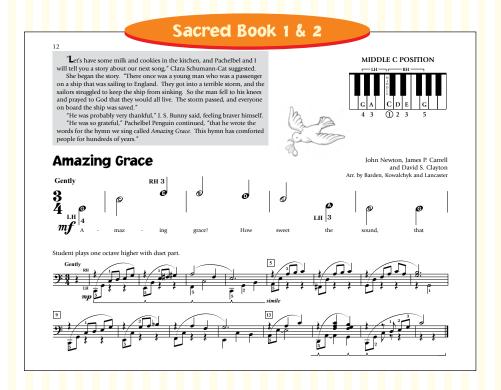




Book 1 & 2 Titles

Jesus Loves Me
For the Beauty of the Earth
This Little Light of Mine
Deep and Wide
Amazing Grace
Rise and Shine
Praise God from Whom All
Blessings Flow (Doxology)
Do, Lord
Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus
I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy

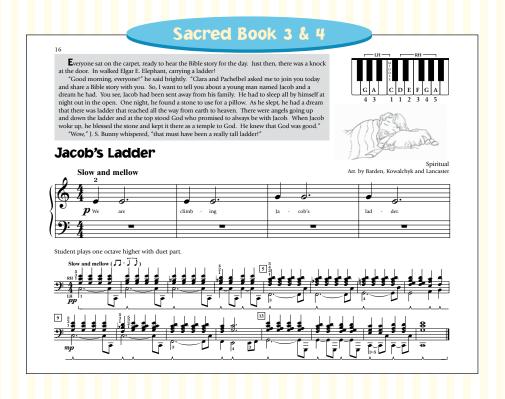




Book 3 & 4 Titles

The B-I-B-L-E
God Is So Good
Fairest Lord Jesus
Praise Him, All Ye Little Children
O, How I Love Jesus
Holy, Holy, Holy
Jacob's Ladder
The 12 Disciples
What a Friend We Have in Jesus
He's Got the Whole World
in His Hands

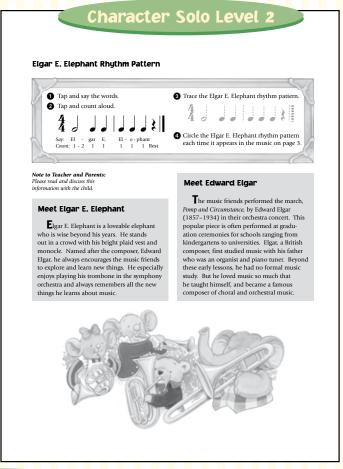


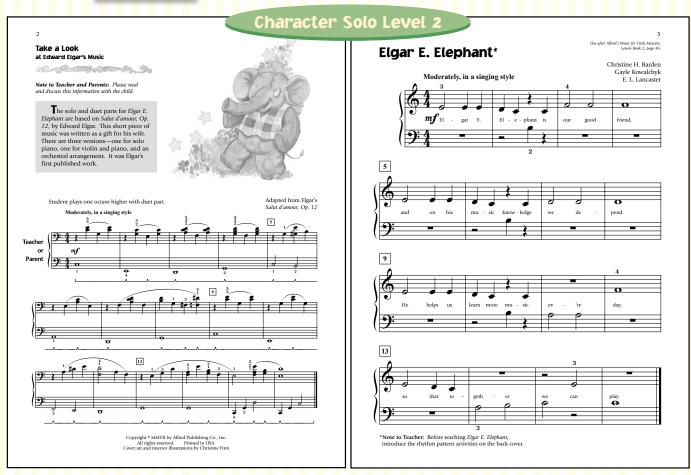


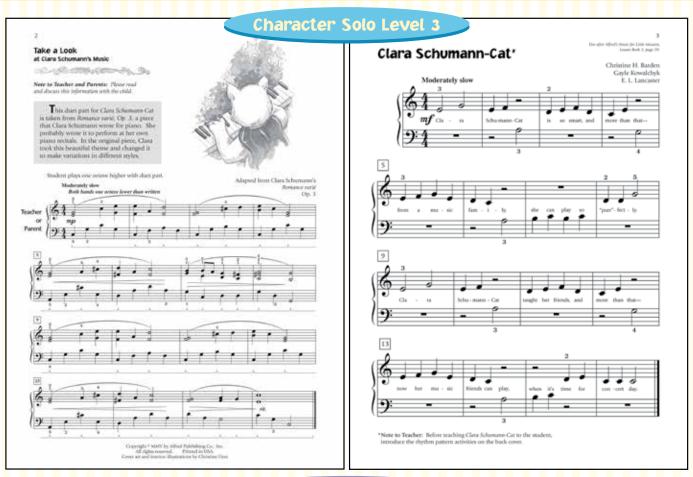
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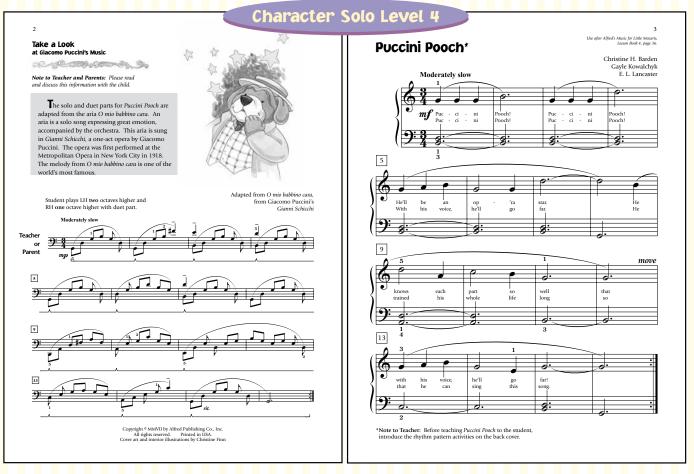
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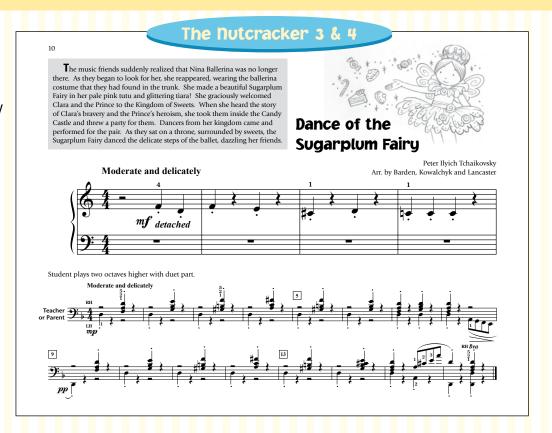


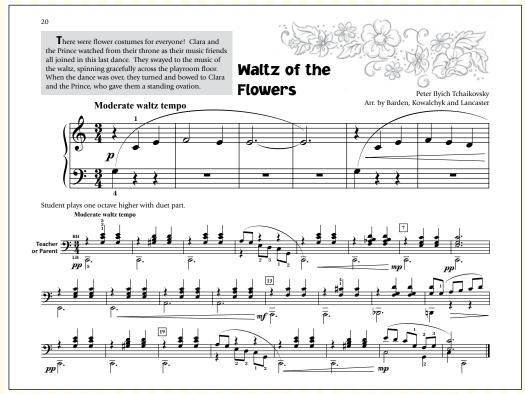


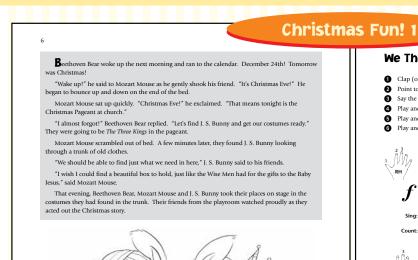
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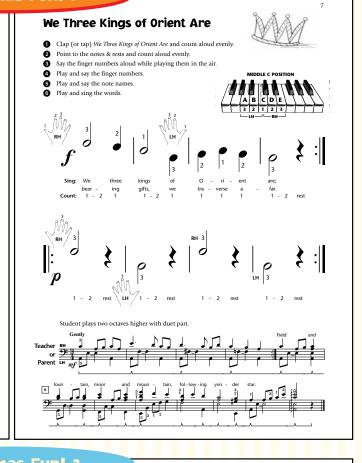
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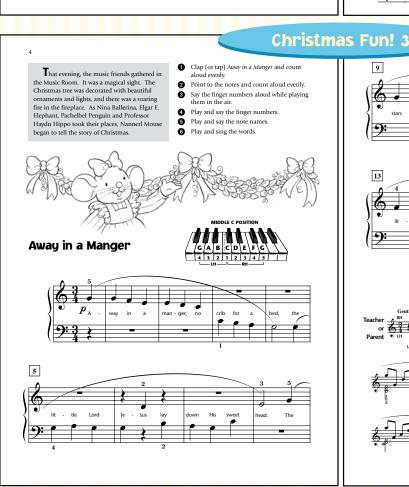


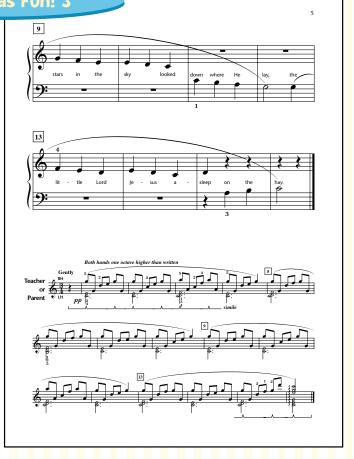


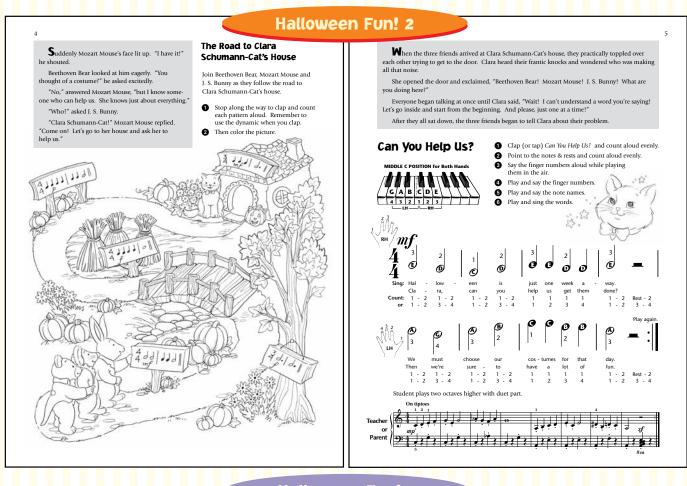














The minutes flew by as they shared their

favorite memories of that special concert. They forgot all about Halloween and Professor Haydn

Mozart Mouse opened the door. There stood

Hippo until they heard a knock at the door.

Professor Haydn Hippo, but his hands were empty. It looked like he had forgotten to bring

J. S. Bunny and the Perfect Halloween Surprise

The music friends were in the playroom, eagerly waiting for the arrival of Professor Haydn Hippo. He had promised to stop by after school with a surprise. Everyone was wondering what it could be!

"It's almost Halloween. Perhaps he is bringing us candy," said Beethoven Bear as he felt a familiar rumble in his tummy.

"Maybe he is going to tell us that he can go trick-or-treating with us again this year," suggested Nannerl Mouse.

J. S. Bunny spoke up. "I wish he would bring us a new piece to play. Remember how at school?



Duet Part for A Special Invitation (page 3) Student plays one octave higher with duet part



To the Teacher: Use Music for Little Mozarts Halloween Fun! Book 4 during the Halloween season while the student is studying pages 7–32 in the Music Lesson Book 4, or as a review any time after page 32. Students will enjoy the Halloween story with its related pictures and activity pages. Many will also want to color the illustrations found throughout the story. Happy Halloween!

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Hello, Professor, won't you come in?" Mozart Mouse asked politely. He was trying to hide his disappointment.

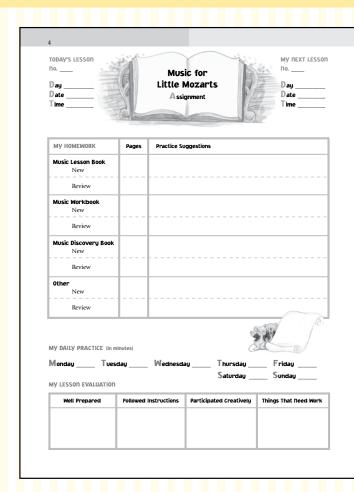
"Hello, everyone," he answered cheerfully. Then he looked around the room. No one was smiling. In fact, everyone looked quite sad.

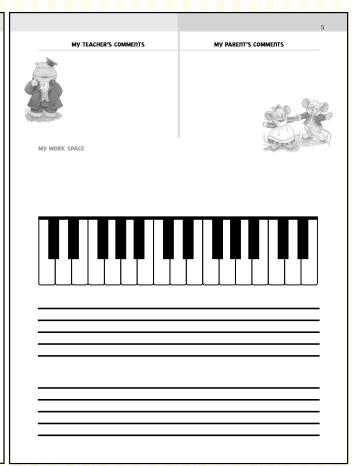
"What's wrong? Have I come at a bad time?" he asked. "Oh, no," replied Mozart Mouse. "It's just that we were expecting...you said you were bringing...

"A surprise?" the Professor finished for him. Then he chuckled. "You thought I forgot, didn't you?" He smiled as he pulled an envelope out of his pocket. "Well, I didn't." He took a card from the envelope and began to read.

- In A Special Invitation clap (or tap) each hand separately and count aloud evenly.
- Point to the notes & rests for each hand and count aloud evenly
- Play finger numbers for each hand in the air and count aloud evenly.
- Play and say the note names or
- interval numbers for each hand. Tap the rhythm of both hands
- together and count aloud evenly.
- Play hands together and count aloud evenly; then play hands together and sing the words.







Deluxe Starter Kit



Vinyl tote bag includes a Music Activity Board, Mozart Mouse and Beethoven Bear plush toys, Music Lesson Book 1, Music Discovery Book 1, Music Workbook 1, Flash Cards Level 1, and CD Set Level 1.

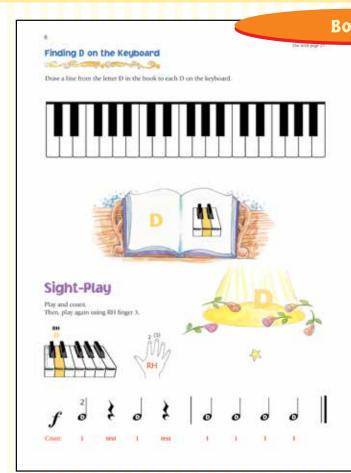
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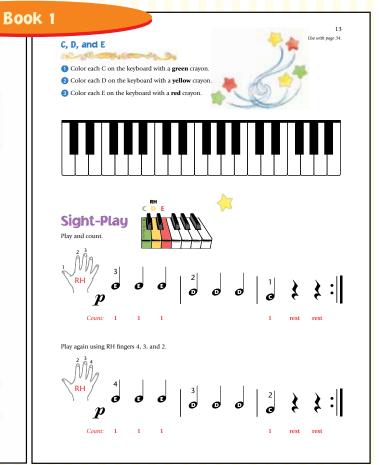


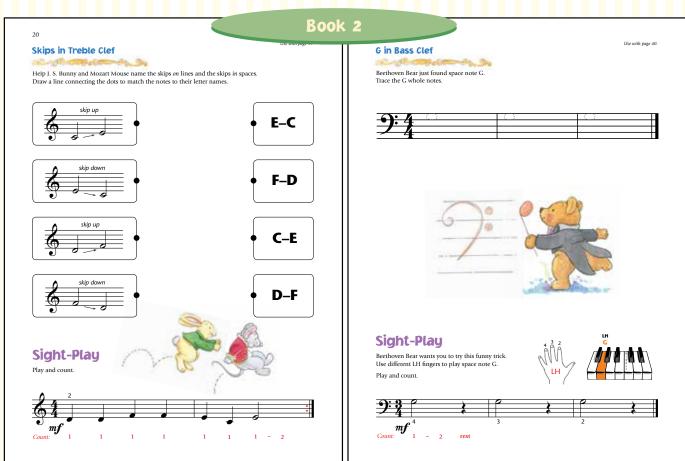
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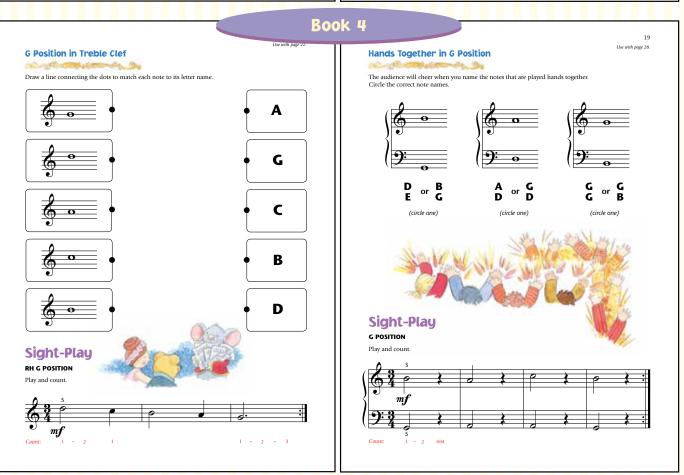
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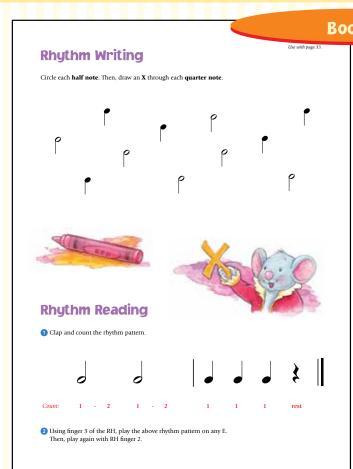




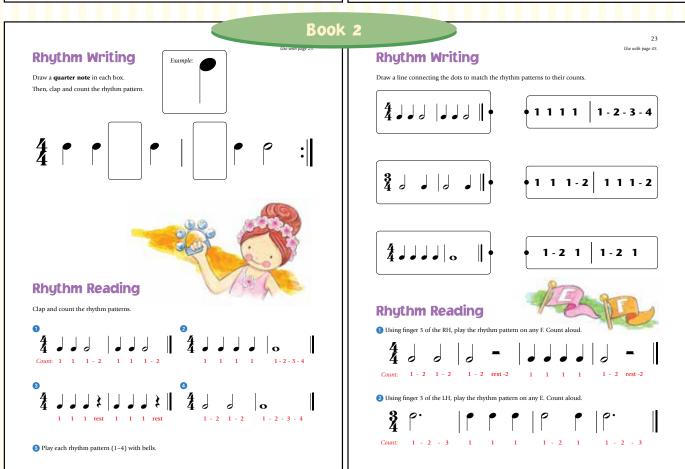


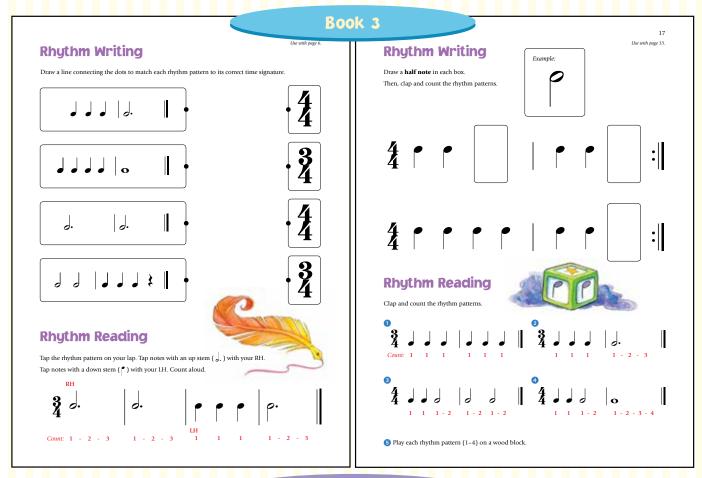


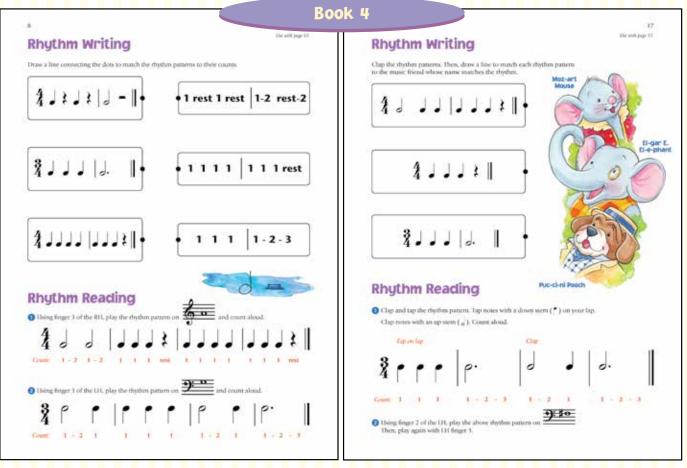




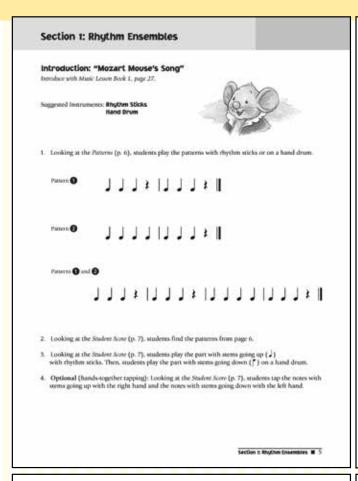


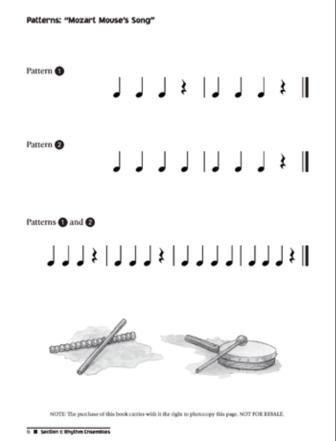


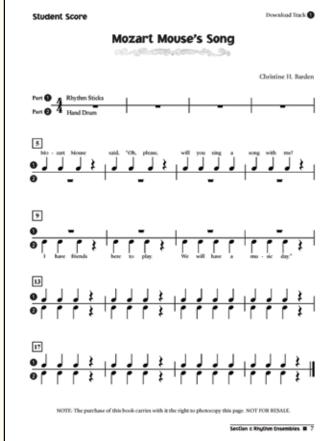




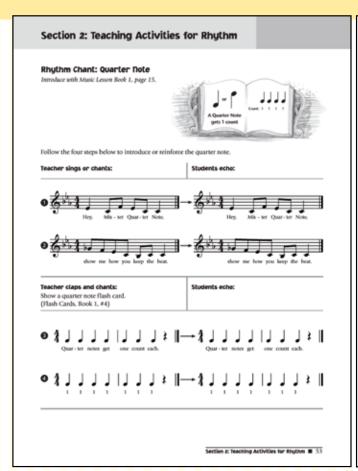
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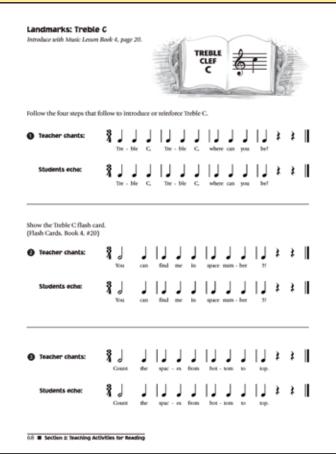


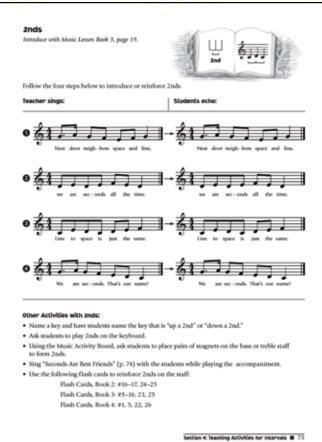














About Music for Little Mozarts

The Music for Little Mozarts series was written to provide appropriate piano instruction for four-five- and six-year olds while simultaneously developing listening skills. It is equally effective developing listening skills. It is equally effective in either group or private lessons. The series was designed to provide a balance between the discipline necessary for playing the instrument and the enjoyment one gets from the process of music-making. The course centers around the adventures of Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse as they learn about music. Three books at each level guide the children through a comprehensive approach to musical learning.

Music Lesson Book: The Music Lesson Book is the core of the course. Students are introduced the core of the course. Students are introduced to new musical concepts and the performance of pieces at the piano. The story of Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse sets the stage for music study at the beginning and continues on each subsequent page. Other characters throughout the book serve as a pringboard for introducing students to major composers from the four musical style periods. New concepts are introduced and carefully reinforced throughout the book. Each page contains a fragment of the story as background for each new concept or new piece of music, as well as practice instructions to read to the student. Many pages also offer helpful hints the student. Many pages also offer helpful hints to the teacher and parents for effective instructio and practice. The hints are numbered to correspond to the students' practice directions.

The music was written to develop finger dex-terity in young children and includes clever lyrics that will appeal to the student's imagination. Accompaniments for the teacher or parent are notated for each piece.

New Concepts in Music Lesson Book 1:
How to Sit at the Piano
Hand Position
Low and High Sounds
Moving Up and Down the Keyboard
Loud Sounds (p) and Soft Sounds (p) Finger Numbers 2 Black Keys 2 Black Keys Quarter Note () Bar Lines and Double Bar 3 Black Keys Quarter Rest () Repeat Sign Keys on the Keyboard (D, C, E, B, A)

Half Note (0) Half Rest (=) Whole Note (•) Whole Rest (-)

New Concepts in Music Lesson Book 2

Dotted Half Note (0.)

Keys on the Keyboard (F, G)
Time Signatures (4 4)
Mezzo Forte (mf)
Line Notes and Space Notes
Treble Clef Steps and Skips Treble Clef Notes (Bass Clef Bass Clef Notes (25) Grand Staff

Music Workbook: The Music Workbook rein-Music Workbook: The Music Workbook rein-forces each concept presented in the Music Lesson Book through carefully designed pages for children to color. It also specifically focuses on the training and development of the ear. (Suggested listening examples for ear training pages are given on pages 17–20 of the Teacher's Handbook.) The Workbook is coordinated page by page with the Music Lesson Book; ideally pages should be assigned according to the instructions in the upper right corner of each instructions in the upper right corner of each page of the Music Workbook. Many students enjoy completing these pages so much that they will want to work beyond the assigned material. However, it is best to wait until the indicated pages in the Music Lesson Book have been co ered before the corresponding material in the Music Workbook is studied.

Music Discovery Book: The Music Discovery Book reinforces each concept presented in the Music Lesson Book through singing, listening and movement activities. Included in the book are songs to sing for fun, motion songs to intro-duce musical responses to music, songs to reinforce specific rhythm patterns, and songs to aid in the development of musical expressiveness. The songs are a mixture of familiar folk songs and original music for young children. Appealing classical music, marches, circus music and adventure music are used for music appreciation activities. The music introduces students to a variety of musical styles, tempi, dynamics, moods and feelings. "Listen and Sing" pages include melodies for singing (using solfege or let-ter names) with interesting accompaniments to are songs to sing for fun, motion songs to introter names) with interesting accompaniments to aid with pitch and interval study.

Characteristics of Four-Five- and Six-Year Olds

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Some characteristics of four-, five, and six-year olds that effect musical learning include

- Students have an excitement and enthusiasm
- Physical coordination increases each year
- Attention span is limited and curiosity is high.
- To a great extent, learning depends on imitation. Demonstration is very important in the lesson. "Hands-on" experiences are more important than verbal explanations.
- Physical activity (moving and responding to music) is an important part of learning.
- 6. The need for praise is powerful.
- Memory is quick, but things are soon forgotten too. Consequently, repetition is important to the learning process.
- Reality is seen in relationship to self and
- 9. Taking turns is an accepted part of daily life
- 10. Students have a great desire to please the 11. Hands are small, and keyboard activities
- should take this into consideration 12. Young children have difficulty practicing independently.
- 13. They do not sit and listen to long verbal
- 14. They are enthusiastic singers and enjoy moving to music and playing singing games
- 15. They are more attentive learners if the senses of touch, sight and sound are used in instruction.
- 16. They function well in group situations
- 17. They enjoy expressing non-musical ideas through music
- 18. They enjoy live musical performances

Four, five- and six-year olds can be very different from each other. Five- and six-year olds especially enjoy companions of their own age and frequently have "play dates". As students grow older they can respond more competently to the pulse of music and follow movement directions more exactly for traditional dances. Vocabulary and small muscle control increase with age. By the time children are six years old, they can play games with rules; often pair up and have best friends; have a need to win and be the center of attention; and show a high level of activity.

Special Considerations in Teaching Piano to Young Children

Teaching piano to young students (ages 4-6) differs from teaching piano to average-age begin-ners (ages 7–9). The following principles will aid the teacher in working with early childhood stu-

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- The materials used in the lesson should be much less performance-oriented than those used with average-age beginners. Young children should be introduced to a variety of music activities that provide a general introduction to
- The materials used in the lesson should take into account the small hands of the child. Very young children should not play three-note chords or music with many independent voices split between the hands.
- Students should experience music and the keyboard before being introduced to notation and staff reading.
- Young children love repetition and they are accustomed to trying over and over again. They can repeat songs that they like for weeks and even months.

In addition to instructions given in the book, spe- a keyboard ensemble for the first recital. cific suggestions for each activity in the Music Discovery Books follow:

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Music Discovery Book 1

Pages 4-6: Hello Song

Purpose: sing, color, create a happy musical atmosphere for the lesson

sphere for the lesson

This song introduces Beethoven Bear and Mozarn Mouse. Children can have the animals dance as the teacher sings or as they listen to the CD during the first 16 measures. The second section (mm. 18–30) is easy to sing students enjoy waving their hands from side to side in mm. 18–21. Eventually, students will learn the entire piece. Use a cappella echo singing to confirm lyrics in this piece and other songs.

Pages 8-4: If You're Happy and You Know It

Purpose: sing, trace, color

Most children are familiar with this song and will feel confident singing it. Expand the motions in the piece by playing clusters on the keyboard in various registers (If you're happy and you know it, apd own low. "If you're happy and you know it, tap up high...). Sing additional verses such as:

- 1. If you're sad and you know it (played in minor);
- If you're sleepy and you know it;
- If you're tired and you know it;
- If you're proud and you know it: If you're brave and you know it, etc.

Make up a new motion for each additional verse

Pages 10-11: Racing Car

Purpose: sing, play glissando and clusters, teach students when to play and when to rest (wait), up and down on the keyboard

and down on the keyboard
This piece lets the child experience keyboard
playing immediately. The glissando may be played
in a traditional way with flat fingers sliding up the
keyboard. The children can also slide Beethoven
Bear or Mozart Mouse up the keyboard and have
them honk the horn by tapping on black keys.
After children are comfortable with the glissando
moving up the keyboard, practice the glissando
moving down. You can also alternate glissando
moving up and down. Students enjoy playing this
piece throughout the semester as a reward for concentrating on more difficult pieces. It is effective as

Pages 12-13: Clownin' Ground

Purpose: dance, color

Color the drum, cymbals and trumpet in the lesson as you listen to the music. Students should color the remainder of the picture at home. Enjoy moving to the piece by pretending to do various circus activities. The teacher should first lead the activities and have children imitate. As students are comfortable, they can lead the activities. Some suggested motions are:

- March quickly to the very fast beat;
- March half tempo lifting the knees high
- Pretend to juggle balls or plates high in the air;
- Swing arms alone or with a partner to fly on the high trapeze;
- Walk in a straight line one foot in front of the other to balance on the high wire;
- Do a funny clown dance hopping on one foot and then the other:
- Use rhythm instruments and play in a
- Honk your big red clown nose at the end when you hear the horn in the music;
- Take a giant clown bow while the audience claps.

Pages 14-15: Finger Play Song

Purpose: sing, wiggle and tap finger numbers

Purpose: sing, wiggle and tap finger numbers Quick recognition of finger numbers is very important for learning new pieces at the piano. Variations on this song should be continued over several weeks to ensure that students are comfort-able with finger numbers. Children should open their hands wide as they first wiggle finger num-bers. Later they may place their hands on a table top, shaping the hands in a good position for play-ing piano and then tapping finger numbers. In mm. 13–16, the teacher can say, "Shake them out, open them wide, now get ready for number 2", etc.

Pages 16-17: Hickory, Dickory, Dock!

Purpose: sing, clap or tap rhythm, feeling a steady quarter note rhythm

Children enjoy playing steady quarter note rhythms with rhythm sticks (tick tock sounds) as they listen to the CD. Chant verse 2 in a very high voice; verse 3 in an animated voice; and verse 4 in a low voice to explore various vocal registers. When Lesson Plans

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How to Sit at the Piano

Hand Position

Low and High Sounds

Moving Up and Down the Keyboard

Review Concents

New Materials

- 1. Music Lesson Book 1, pp. 4-9
- 2. Music Workbook 1, pp. 4-9 3. Music Discovery Book 1, pp. 4-11, 48

Board Activities

- 1. Place blue magnets on the side of the keyboard that makes low sounds.
- Place black magnets on the side of the key-board that makes high sounds.

Assignment

(Including listening to CD tracks that correlate to assigned pages)

- 1. Music Lesson Book 1, pp. 5-9
- Music Workbook 1, pp. 4–7 (Complete pages not finished in lesson.)
- 3. Music Discovery Book 1, pp. 4, 6-11, 48

Teacher's Notes

Lesson 2

New Concepts Loud (f) and Soft (p)

Left and Right Hand Finger Numbers

Review Concepts

How to Sit at the Piano Hand Position Low and High Sounds Moving Up and Down the Keyboard

- 1. Music Lesson Book 1, pp. 10-13
- 2. Music Workbook 1, pp. 10-13
- 3. Music Discovery Book 1, pp. 12-15

4. Flash Cards 1, #1, #2

- 1. Music Lesson Book 1, pp. 4-9
- 2. Music Discovery Book 1, pp. 4-11, 48

Lesson Plans **Board Activities** 1. On the dry erase board, draw short rhythm patterns from pieces in Music Lesson Books 2 and 3. Music for Little Mozarts On the staff and keyboard, place magnets on Middle C and Bass Clef C.

3. Flash Cards 3, #2 Level 3 Assianment (Including listening to CD tracks that correlate to assigned pages) Teacher's Notes Lesson 1 1. Music Lesson Book 2, p. 47 2. Music Discovery Book 2, pp. 46-47 3. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 5-8 Review Concepts Music Workbook 3, pp. 7–8 (Complete pages not finished in lesson.) Middle C Position (five notes) in both hands 5. Music Discovery Book 3, pp. 6-9 New Materials 6. Flash Cards 3, #1 1. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 4-6 Lesson 2 Teacher's Notes 2. Music Workbook 3, pp. 4-6 3. Music Discovery Book 3, pp. 4-9, 48 **New Concepts** Bass Clef C **Review Materials** (**)** 1. Music Lesson Book 2, pp. 46-47 2. Music Discovery Book 2, pp. 45-47 **Review Concepts Board Activities**

New Materials

4. Flash Cards 3, #1

Review Materials

1. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 7-8

1. Music Lesson Book 2, p. 47

3. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 5-6 4 Music Discovery Book 3, pp. 6-9, 48

3. Music Discovery Book 3, pp. 10-11

2. Music Discovery Book 2, pp. 46-47

Lesson 3

Bass Clef D

Bass Clef C

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Review Concepts

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2. On the staff and keyboard, place magnets on Middle D and Bass Clef D.

(Including listening to CD tracks

1. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 9-10

2. Music Workbook 3, pp. 9-10

1. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 5-8

2. Music Discovery Book 3, pp. 6-11, 48

On the dry erase board, draw short rhythm patterns from pieces in Music Lesson Book 3.

Review Materials

Board Activities

1. Music Lesson Book 3, pp. 5-10

Music Workbook 3, pp. 9–10
(Complete pages not finished in lesson.)

3. Music Discovery Book 3, pp. 6-11 4. Flash Cards 3, #1, #2

Teacher's Notes





Sticker Book

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(Including listening to CD tracks that correlate to assigned pages)

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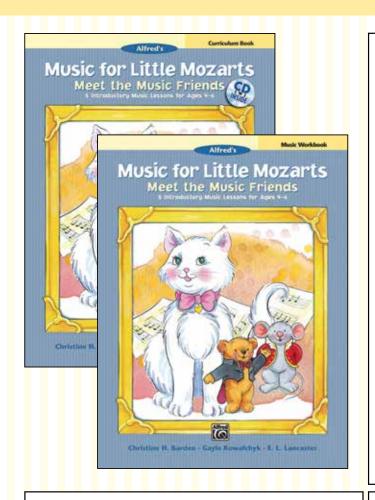
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2. Music Discovery Book 2, pp. 45-47

Assignment

On the staff and keyboard, place magnets for the five notes of the Middle C Position of the five notes of the fiv





Preliminary Information

About Meet the Music Friends

Meet the Music Friends was written to provide an introduction to music and the piano for four- and five-year olds. It consists of a series of five lessons that include singing, listening, movement, rhythm activities, and beginning activities at the keyboard. The lessons center around the adventures of Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse, characters who live in the piano classroom of a music store, as they learn about music. After completing the five lesson students should begin Level 1 of the Music for Little Mozarts piano course.

To The Teacher

Meet the Music Friends was designed to be taught in a music classroom with one keyboard instru-ment. Other materials needed to teach the five

Curriculum Book with CD (37545)

Music Workbook for each student (37548)

Beethoven Bear Plush Animal (14654) Mozart Mouse Plush Animal (14653)

Clara Schumann-Cat Plush Animal (19767)

CD Player

Crayons for each student

The Curriculum Book contains complete lesson plans for a classroom lesson of 45-60 minutes. Each lesson plan consists of three parts: 1) a Each lesson plan consists of three parts: 1) a list of teaching materials needed for the lesson; 2) a lesson overview – a brief summary of what is included in the lesson; 3) a detailed lesson plan, including step-by-step instructions for teaching the curriculum. When first teaching the curriculum, most teachers will want to follow the detailed lesson plan. After having taught the course a few times, teachers can easily follow the lesson overview.

The authors hope that you and your students enjoy your musical adventures with your music friends, Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse.

CD Track List

Track	Title
1	Hello Song
2	High and Low Song
3	The Itsy Bitsy Spider

- Goodbye Song
- Mozart Mouse's Song
- If You're Happy and You Know It
- Beethoven Bear's Song
- The Whole Note Sone

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ■ 3

Lesson 1

Meet the Music Friends

Musical Concept Emphasis: High and Low, Up and Down, Steady Beat Company of the Company

Teaching Materials

- ☐ Meet the Music Friends Curriculum Book and CD
- ☐ Meet the Music Friends Music Workbook for each student (pages 2-3)
- ☐ CD player
- ☐ Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse plush animals
- ☐ Crayons for each student





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Lesson 2 Overview

Part 1: Hello Song • Hello Song (1)

Part 2: Beethoven Bear and Mozart

- Show Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse Plush Animals
- Read story.

Part 3: High and Low

- High and Low Song (2)
- Demonstrate high and low sounds on
- Complete Music Workbook, pages 2-3

Part 4: Up and Down • The Itsy Bitsy Spider (3)

- · Demonstrate sounds that go up and down on the keyboard

Part 5: Steady Beat

• Johnny Works with One Hammer (4)

Part 6: Goodbye Song • Goodbye Song (\$\ 5)

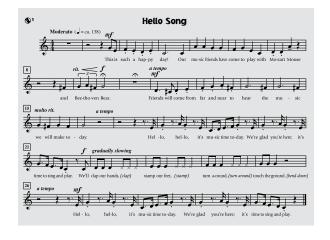
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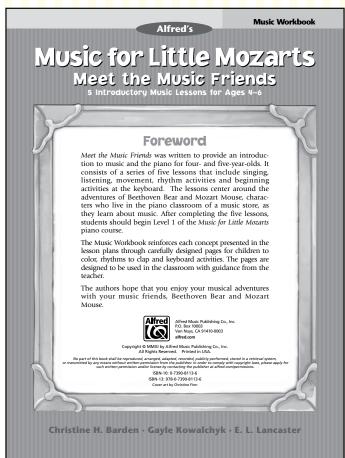
Part 1: Hello Song

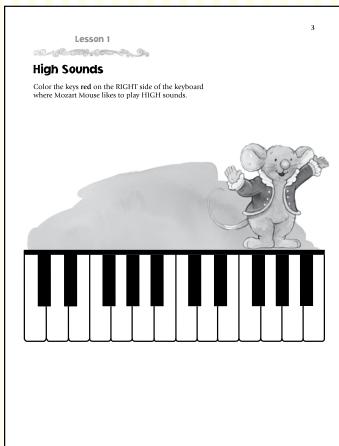
Begin class by playing Hello Song (1). As the song plays, demonstrate the movements in the lyrics: wave hello, clap hands, stamp feet, turn around, touch the ground.

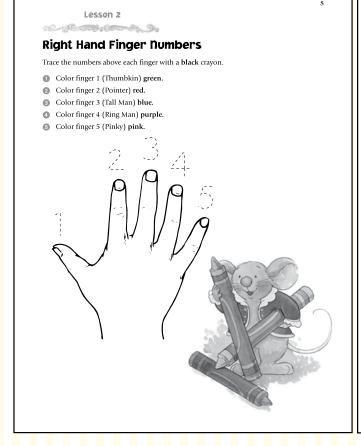
- 2. Say: "This song is about two music friends who will be visiting our class today. Listen to the *Hello Song* again to learn their names."
- 3. Play Hello Song again. Encourage the children to do the motions and sing the lyrics.
- 1. Stand and imitate motions.

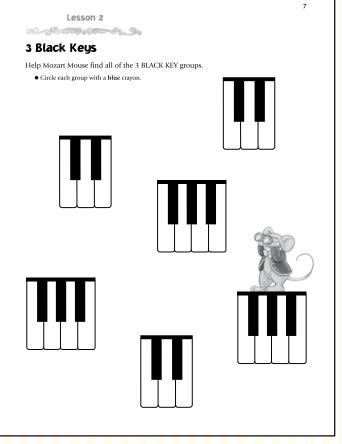


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Bring Your Classroom to Life with

Music for Little Mozarts

Level 1/Ages 4, 5, 6

Creative · Exciting · Imaginative · Motivational



Join Beethoven Bear, Mozart Mouse, and their music friends as they learn about music. Follow their

adventures in the Classroom and the Music Center. Written to provide appropriate classroom music instruction for 4-, 5- and 6-year-olds, this is a comprehensive approach to musical learning that develops singing, movement, and listening skills simultaneously with an introduction to musical styles and concepts. The curriculum materials combine to create an exciting and imaginative atmosphere in the classroom.

Age-Appropriate Curriculum Features

- Detailed Step-by-Step Lesson Plans for 10 weeks
- Music for Singing, Listening, and Moving
- Story to Reinforce Musical Concepts
- Visual Representations of Story and Musical Concepts
- Reproducible Coloring Pages
- Music Center Ideas
- Student Assessment Checklist
- Suggested Concluding Musical Performance

Curriculum Book & CD

Contains Preliminary Information, Lesson Plans, Support Materials, and Compact Disc Recording of story and all musical selections.

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Book	3	&	CD.	 	<mark>(2</mark> 7	612)

Big Music Book

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Lesson 1 **New Music Friends** Musical Concept Emphasis: High and Low



Teaching Materials

- ☐ Classroom Music for Little Mozarts CD **③** ☐ CD player
- ☐ Classroom Music for Little Mozarts Big Music Book, pages 4–5:





- ☐ Mozart Mouse, Beethoven Bear plush animals
- ☐ Xvlophone, mallet
- ☐ Coloring sheet: copies of page 95 for



☐ Crayons for each student

Lesson 1 Overview

- Part 1: Introduction
 Hello Song (1)

- Part 2: Story Connections (Big Music Book, page 4) Chapter 1—New Music Friends (§2)
- Part 3: Visual Representation
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 (Big Music Book, page 5)

 Mozart Mouse likes high sounds.

 Beethoven Bear likes low sounds.

 High and Low Song (§ 3)

 Demonstrate high and low sounds on the xylophone.

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- Part 4: Extension and Elaboratio
- If You're Happy and You Know It (♠⁴)
 Do You Know? (♠⁵) optional
- Part 5: Closing

 Color page 95 while listening to High and Low Song (♠1).

 Goodbye Song (♠30)



Part 1: Introduction

Children 1. Play Hello Song (1) to indicate the start of music class.





- 2. Demonstrate the movements in the lyrics: wave hello. clap hands, stamp feet, turn around, touch the ground
- Say: "We have two music friends who are joining us for music class. Listen to the beginning of the *Hello Song* to
 - · Play Hello Song, do motions and encourage children
- 2. Imitate teacher's movements
- Listen for the names of the music friends in the first part of the song. Sing and do the motions during the refrain.

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Part 2: Story Connections

1. Introduce music friends Mozart Mouse and Beethoven Bear Sit. watch and listen. by showing the plush animals to the children. Say: "Today we have a story about the two special music friends who were mentioned in the Hello Song, Mozart Mouse and Beethoven Bear. When you listen to the story, you'll find out where they live, and you'll learn something about the music they like." • Show Big Music Book, page 4. • Read aloud Chapter 1: New Music Friends (2)

Chapter 1: New Music Friends

Once upon a time, there was a school where children just about your age went every day. In that school, there was a wonderful classroom filled with all sorts of things to help the children learn. There was a big white board to write on, colorful bulletin boards with artwork, shelves filled with books to read, crayons and markers for drawing, tables where the children did their work, a Play Center filled with lots of toys, and even a Music Center with many musical instruments. But of all the things the children had in their classroom, their favorites were a little stuffed bear and a little stuffed mouse. Their names were Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse.

All day long, Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse sat quietly in the classroom, allowing the children to play with them during free time. But at night, Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse did something quite different! When the children went home and the teacher had locked the door, the little bear and little mouse would quickly turn on the lights and hurry from the little house in the Play Center where they lived, to their favorite place in the classroom-the Music Center. They spent many hours happily playing with the instruments.

One evening while they were playing, they discovered that some of the instruments made high sounds, and some made low sounds. Beethoven Bear said to Mozart Mouse, "I love to play low sounds!

Mozart Mouse replied, "I think high sounds are the best!"

"No!" Beethoven Bear said. "Low sounds are better. They are perfect for a bear like me."

"No!" Mozart Mouse would reply. "The high sounds are perfect for a mouse like me."

And so went the conversation that Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse had many times when they played in the Music Center. Sometimes they would take a peek in the Big Music Book that the teacher always used in class. "This must be a really special book," said Beethoven Bear. Mozart Mouse added, "The children learn so many wonderful things from this book.

Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse invite you to join them in their musical adventures. They are your new music friends, and together they will take you on a journey through the exciting world of music.

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Part 3: Visual Representation

1. Show Big Music Book, page 5.

- Ask: "Is Mozart Mouse high or low on the page?" [High]
 Ask: "Is Beethoven Bear high or low on the page?" [Low] 2. Show the Mozart Mouse plush animal, and use your high
- voice to say, "Mozart Mouse likes high sounds. Simultaneously hold Mozart Mouse up high. Show the Beethoven Bear plush animal and use your low voice to say, "Beethoven Bear likes low sounds." Simultaneously hold Beethoven Bear down low.
- 3. Say: "Let's use our high voices to say 'Mozart Mouse' (Use high voice for the words Mozart Mouse.)
 - Mo-zart Mouse
- 4. Say: "Let's use our low voices to say 'Beethoven Bear.'"
 (Use low voice for the words Beethoven Bear.)
 - Bee tho-ven Bear
- 5. Ask children to show high/low with their hands by raising them when saying "Mozart Mouse" and lowering them when saying "Beethoven Bear."
- 6. Encourage individual response.
 - Ask: "Who can say 'Mozart Mouse' by yourself?" "Who can say 'Beethoven Bear' by yourself?"
- 7. Say: "Mozart Mouse and Beethoven Bear can help us listen to music that is high and low. Let's find out how they can help us."
- Play High and Low Song (3). See piano arrangement (pages 108–109).
- Stand tall for high sections, bend down low for low sections. [First section is HIGH and second section is LOW.]
- 8. Show the xylophone to the class. (To avoid left/right confusion that can occur with a xylophone; hold it in a vertical manner with the shorter bars at the top.)
- Demonstrate that the shorter bars at the top of the xylo phone sound high; and that the longer ones at the bottom of the xylophone sound low.

- 1. Sit. answer questions.
- 2. Sit, watch, listen
- 3. Echo. saving "Mozart Mouse" in a high voice
- 4. Echo, saying "Beethoven Bear"
- Raise hands while saying "Mozart Mouse" in a high voice, and lower hands while saying "Beethoven Bear" in a low voice.
- 6. Take turns demonstrating high or low with voice and hand position while saying "Mozart Mouse" or "Beethoven Bear."
- 7. Listen and stand tall for high sections, bend down low for low sections
- 8. Sit, listen

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Beethoven Bear

An inquisitive bear who lives in a big house with two children and their toys, Beethoven Bear begins hopping on the piano keys in Lesson Book 1.



Nannerl Mouse

A charming toy mouse who plays the piano extremely well, Nannerl Mouse is Mozart Mouse's older sister and is first introduced in Lesson Book 3.



Mozart Mouse

An adventurous toy mouse who begins exploring the children's Music Room in Lesson Book 1, Mozart Mouse is a quick learner who composes beautiful music and enjoys performing.



Nina Ballerina

A graceful toy ballerina whose parents both danced in the Russian ballet many years ago, Nina Ballerina is first introduced in Lesson



Clara Schumann-Cat

An elegant real cat who comes from a musical family where everyone plays the piano, Clara Schumann-Cat is first introduced in Lesson Book 2.

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A lovable trombone player who always encourages his friends to make music, Elgar E. Elephant is first introduced in Lesson Book 1.



Professor Haydn Hippo

A music instructor, conductor, and toy mascot in the music class at school, Professor Haydn Hippo is first introduced in Lesson Book 3.



J. S. Bunny

A fun fellow who comes from a very musical family and plays the cello, J. S. Bunny is first introduced in Lesson Book 2.



Puccini Pooch

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