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#### **Piano Ensemble** Wenn ich ein Vöglein wär Die Lorelei Home Sweet Home Scarborough Fair My Old Kentucky Home Loch Lomond Silent Night Deck the Halls O Christmas Tree Sonata Pathétique 2nd Adagio Cantabile Ave Maria / J. S. Bach - Gounod Jesus bleibet meine Freude Prelude op. 28-15 "Raindrop" Nocturne op. 9-2

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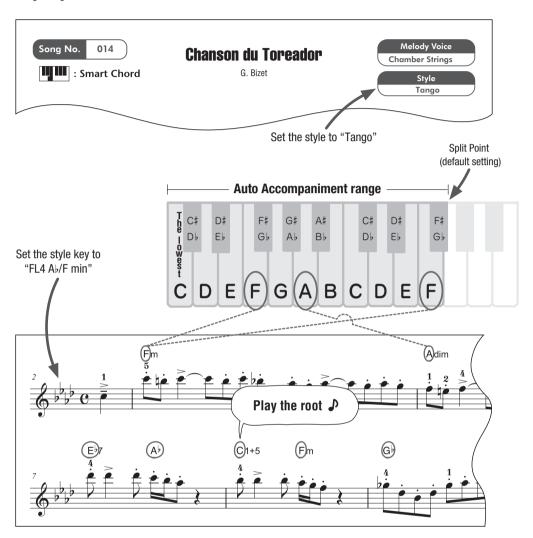
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#### Try playing the Songs along with Styles using Smart Chord!

You can also enjoy stylized performances using Smart Chord for songs marked with " . Select the style listed in the score, set the style key that matches the score, and then play the root of the chord symbol with a single finger.



- Scores for songs marked with " contain the chords that will be played by the Smart Chord. Therefore, the chords may differ from those used in the original song or the preset song.
- The category "Favorite with Style" describes the chords used in the preset songs.
- Chords that cannot be played with Smart Chord are marked with ◆. Chords marked with ◆ indicate the chords used in preset songs.
- The small notes with the name of an instrument represent the melody part included in the song accompaniment. When playing with Smart Chord, play the small notes with your right hand.



- · No scores are provided for the demo songs (Song no. 001 003).
- · Parts of the score may differ from the original version.
- In some cases, the score time signature and metronome timing may differ.
- (on C) and other on-bass code markings and "1+5" chords listed on the score do not appear on the instrument's display.
- Some scores do not provide numerical value on the tempo of the music. To check the numerical value of the tempo, press the [Tempo/Tap] button on the instrument.
- The number in the upper left corner of each row of the score is the measure number of the preset song. It appears on the instrument's display.

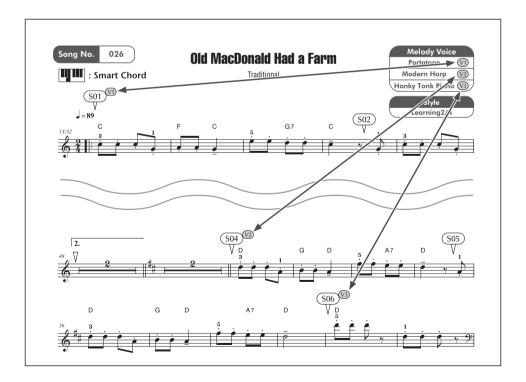


- The (S+\*) mark on the sheet music is compatible with the Keys to Success step numbers.
- · The " 

  " mark indicates a step break.



- All categories except "Learn to Play" have a finishing step that is played through the piece, following the final step number listed in the score.
- The " " mark on the score corresponds to the melody voice number listed to the right of the title.



• Numbers and symbols such as  $(2\times)$  ( $(x\times)$ ) indicate the timing at which the step number and melody voice number are set in the preset song.



- (e.g.) Practice "%" at  $\ \ \, \ \ \, \ \ \, \ \, \ \,$  . Play the second time with the "@ " melody voice.
- Notes and chord names marked with ( ) indicate what is to be played at the stated timing.



- (e.g.) Play the notes in ( ) the second time. Play the Em chord the D.S.time.
- Finger numbers for the category "Duet" are listed above the notes for the right hand and below the notes for the left hand and marked with ( ).



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#### **Before Playing...**

#### Playing Posture



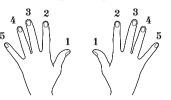
#### View from above



- Sit near the middle of the keyboard.
- Relax your shoulders and wrists, and play in a comfortable posture.

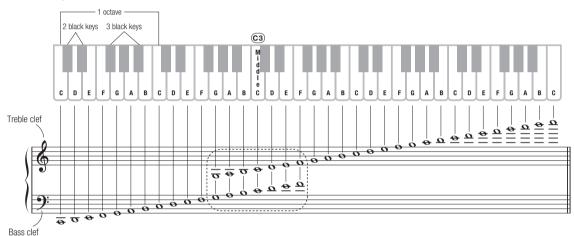
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#### **Reading the Score**

#### The Keyboard, Staff Lines, and Clef



# Clef Key signature Time signature

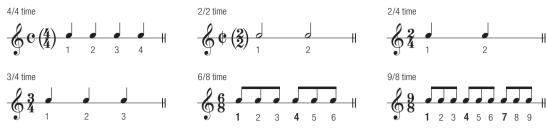
#### Accidentals

# (Sharp) Raise by a semitone
b (Flat) Lower by a semitone
d (Natural) Return to the original pitch

#### Notes and Rests

Note		Note Rest		J=1	Length
0	Whole note	-	Whole note rest Rest for the entire measure	4	1 2 3 4
J.	Dotted half note	=-	Dotted half note rest	3	
	Half note	_	Half note rest	2	
J.	Dotted quarter note	3.	Dotted quarter note rest	1.5	
J	Quarter note	3	Quarter note rest	1	
<b>)</b> .	Dotted eighth note	4.	Dotted eighth note rest	0.75	
<b>&gt;</b>	Eighth note	4	Eighth note rest	0.5	
<b>3</b>	Sixteenth note	4	Sixteenth note rest	0.25	
3-	Triplet			1	Three evenly spaced notes in the space of two eighth notes

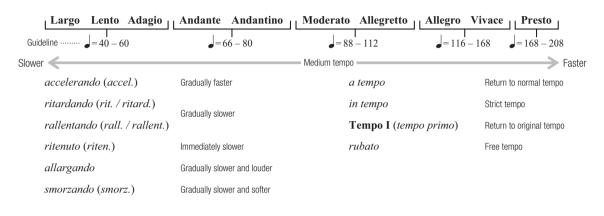
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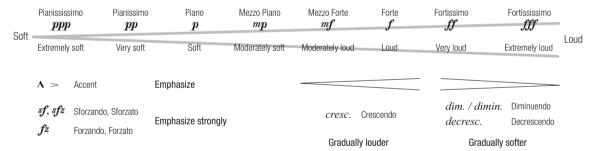
(In 6/8 time and 9/8 time, be aware of the beats in bold and think of the three notes as a group)

#### Tempo Markings

(e.g.) = 120 indicates a tempo of 120 quarter notes per minute



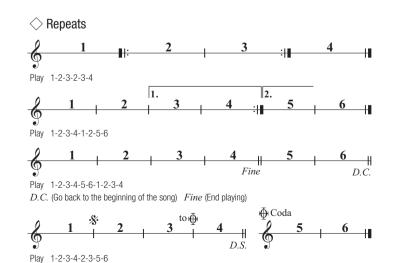
#### Dynamic Markings



#### Phrasing and Performance Markings



-Slur



D.S. (Go back to the \$ mark) to  $\Phi$  (Jump to  $\Phi$  Coda)

#### **Glossary / Symbol List**

#### 

[a]

Return to normal tempo a tempo

accelerando (accel.) Gradually faster adagio Slowly, gently With a - feel alla -With a Turkish feel alla turca

allargando Gradually slower and louder

allegretto Slightly faster allegro Faster

As if walking slowly andante andantino Slightly slower animato Lively

assai Very

auftakt A melody that starts on the weaker

upbeat before the normally accented beat at the beginning of the first

measure

[c]

cantabile Singing

Overlapping different notes in layers chord

commodo Relaxed con affetto Lovingly Animated con moto

A separate melody that is counterpoint harmonically related to the main

melody, but has independent contour

and rhythm

crescendo (cresc.) Gradually louder

[d]

da capo (D.C.) Go back to the beginning of the song

dal segno (D.S.) Go back to the - mark decrescendo (decresc.) Gradually softer delicato Delicate and gracefully diminuendo (dim./dimin.) Gradually softer

dolce Sweetly [e]

ensemble A number of instruments and/or

voices performing together

espressivo (espress.) With expression

expression directive Notes at the beginning of a score

describing how the piece should be

played

[f]

fine End playing

[g]

grazioso Elegantly

[h]

The pleasing resonant effect harmony

produced by playing multiple notes of

differing pitch simultaneously

[i]

in tempo Strict tempo

interval The difference in pitch between two

> notes is known as an "interval" [Third] A "third" is the interval between three whole tones (e.g.) In the C diatonic scale (scale without sharps or flats: C-D-E-F-G-A-B), the interval between C and E is a third, as is the interval between E

and G

[Sixth] A "sixth" is the interval between six notes of the diatonic

[Octave] An "octave" is an interval of

eight diatonic notes

[1]

largo Broadly and slower left hand (L.H.) Play with the left hand legato Connect the notes smoothly

leggiero Lightly lento Slowly

#### **Glossary / Symbol List**

[m]

ma non troppo But not too much maestoso With majesty

marcato Play each note distinctly

marsch March

marziale With a march feel
meno mosso Less movement
moderatamente Moderately
moderato Medium tempo

molto More

monophony Single notes played independently

mosso Animated, rapid

[n]

non agitato Calmly

non chord (N.C.) The part without chords

non troppo Not too much

[o]

obbligato A separate melody played to

accompany the main melody

ornament A musical flourish that is added to

"ornament" the melody line

[p]

phrase Sections of a melody that naturally

stand on their own, much like sentences in a paragraph. No specific

length is defined

poco A little
poco a poco Little by little

poco moto With a little more motion polka Polka (fast 2/4 time)

polyphony Multiple notes of different pitch

played simultaneously

presto Rapidly

[r]

rallentando (rall. / rallent.) Gradually slower

religioso Religiously, with devotion risoluto Resolutely, with conviction

ritardando (rit. / ritard.) Gradually slower
ritenuto (riten.) Immediately slower
rubato Free tempo

[s]

scherzando Playfully

semitone The pitch interval between adjacent

keys regardless of whether the keys

are white or black

sempre Always

simile Continue in the same way smorzando (smorz.) Gradually slower and softer

sostenuto Sustain notes

staccato (stacc.) Play short, detached notes

subito (sub.) Immediately

syncopation Changing the rhythm by accentuating

a beat other than the first beat and

other methods

[t]

tempo primo (Tempo I) Return to original tempo

tenuto (ten.) Hold the notes for their full length

trio Middle part

[v]

vivace Very fast

### **Glossary / Symbol List**

⇔ Symbol List		
ŕ	Staccato	Play short, detached notes
<u></u>	Tenuto	Hold the notes for their full length
$\Lambda$ >	Accent	Emphasize
sf, sfz	Sforzando Sforzato	Emphasize strongly
fz	Forzando Forzato	Emphasize strongly
	Slur	Play smoothly in a connected manner. It can also define the beginning and ending of a phrase
	Tie	Play by joining two notes of the same pitch to form one long note
3	Tuplet	Notes that are divided differently, for example, notes that are normally divided into two equal parts are divided into three equal parts
	Grace Note	(e.g.)
~	Turn	(e.g.)
<u>tr</u>	Trill	(e.g.)
*	Pralltriller	(e.g.)
**	Mordent	(e.g.)
	Arpeggio	(e.g.)
	Glissando	A sliding technique produced by running a finger or the heel of your hand up or down the keyboard

	Bounce Symbol	Play eighth and sixteenth notes in triplets or a similar groove
8va	Ottava	One octave higher
ppp	Pianississimo	Extremely soft
pp	Pianissimo	Very soft
$\boldsymbol{p}$	Piano	Soft
$m\mathbf{p}$	Mezzo Piano	Moderately soft
mf	Mezzo Forte	Moderately loud
f	Forte	Loud
ff	Fortissimo	Very loud
fff	Fortississimo	Extremely loud
	Crescendo	Gradually louder
	Decrescendo	Gradually softer
L.H.	Left Hand	Play with the left hand
N.C.	Non-chord	The part without chords
cresc.	Crescendo	Gradually louder
decresc.	Decrescendo	Gradually softer
dim. / dimin.	Diminuendo	Gradually softer
D.C.	Da Capo	Go back to the beginning of the song
D.S.	Dal Segno	Go back to the 🛠 mark
stacc.	Staccato	Play short, detached notes
ten.	Tenuto	Hold the notes for their full length
$\bigcirc$	Fermata	Prolonging a note
·\$·	Segno	Go back here from <i>D.S.</i>
to ∯ ∳Coda	Coda	Skip from to ⊕ to ⊕ Coda
	Repeat Sign	Repeat the section between these symbols
%		Repeat the previous measure
<i>//</i> :		Repeat the previous two measures
Red.		Press the pedal
*		Release the pedal

Rest for the number of measures indicated by the number

Long Rest

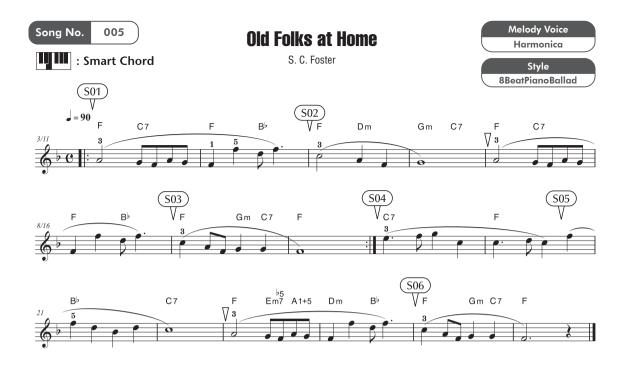
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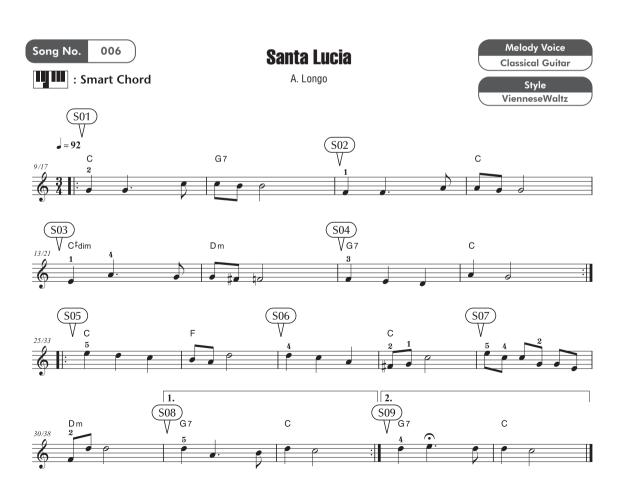
This is a collection of popular folk songs and classical pieces from around the world.

Join in and play a melody.











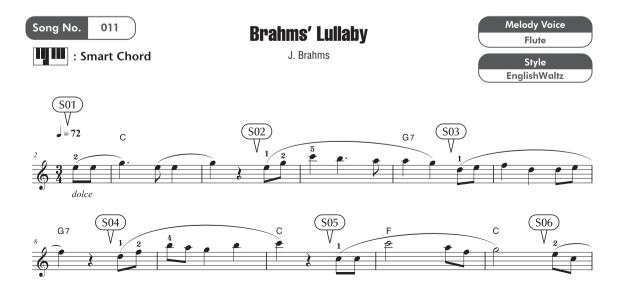










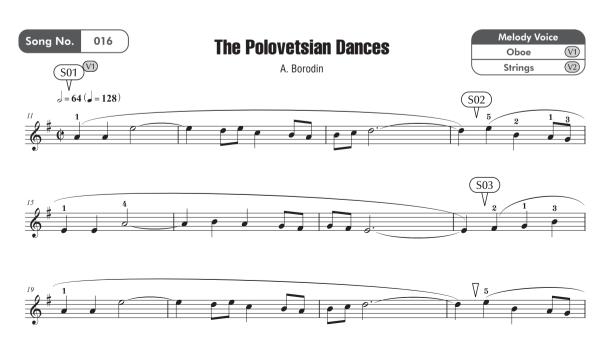


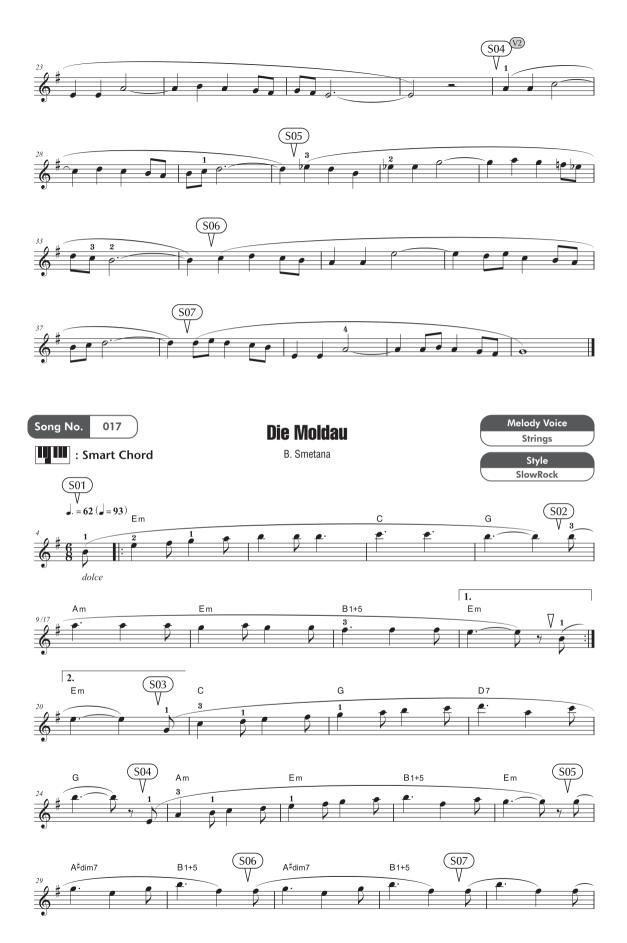


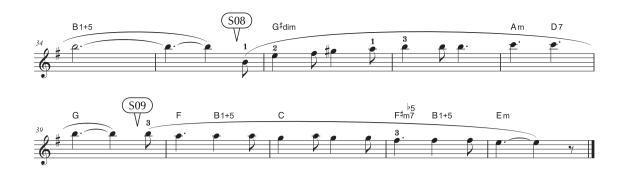


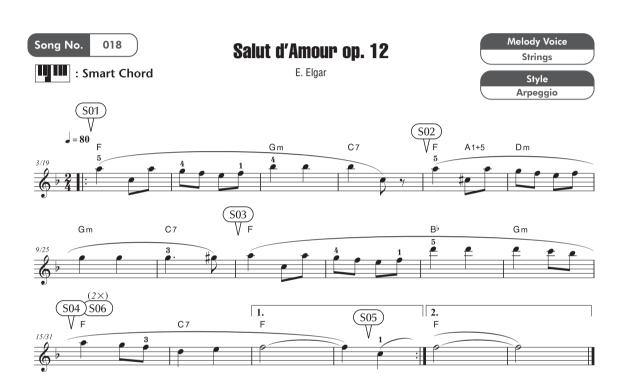


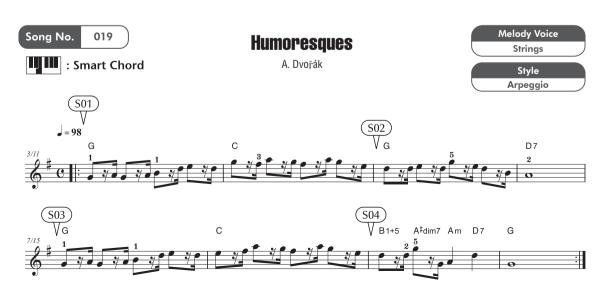












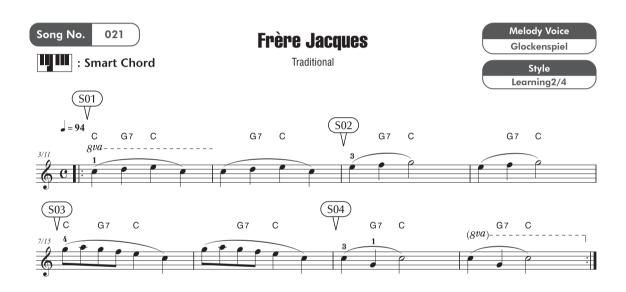


## **Traditional**

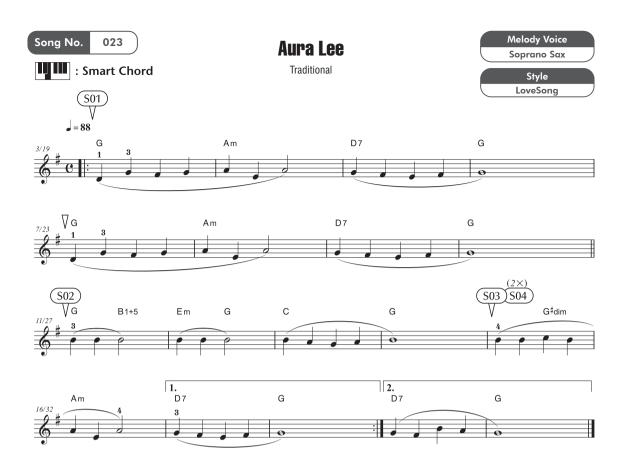
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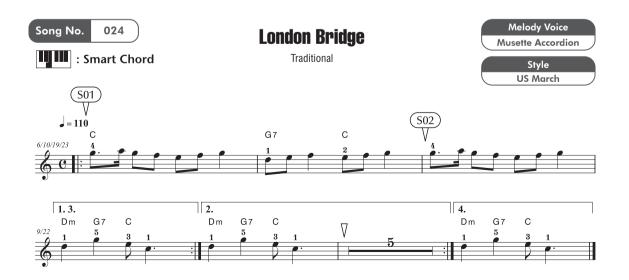
Join in and play a melody.

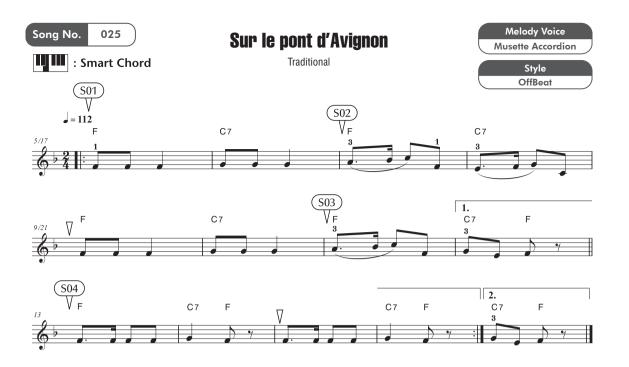


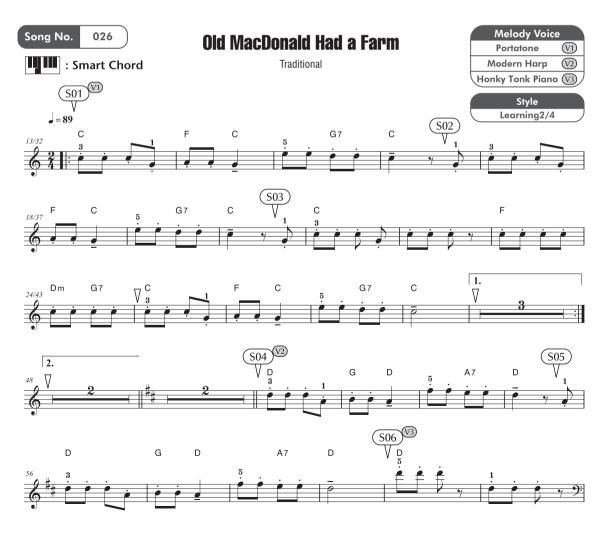


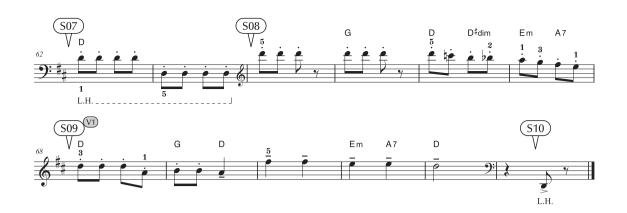


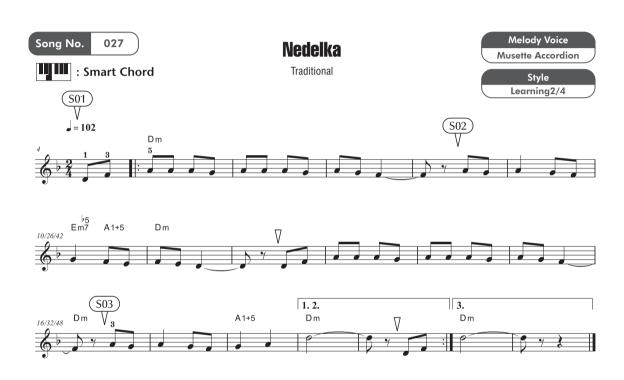




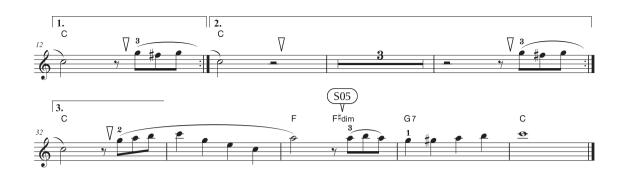


















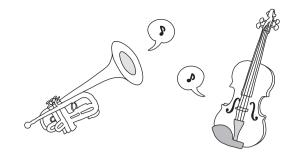


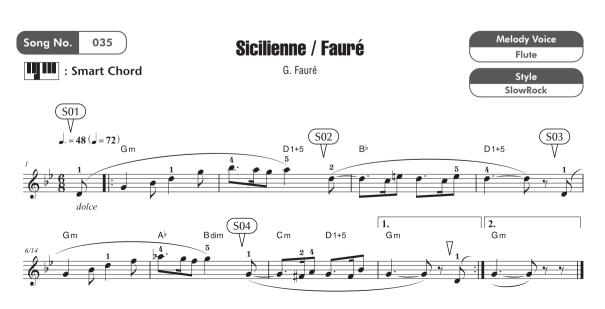


# **Instrument Master**

This is a collection of songs that feature instruments other than piano.

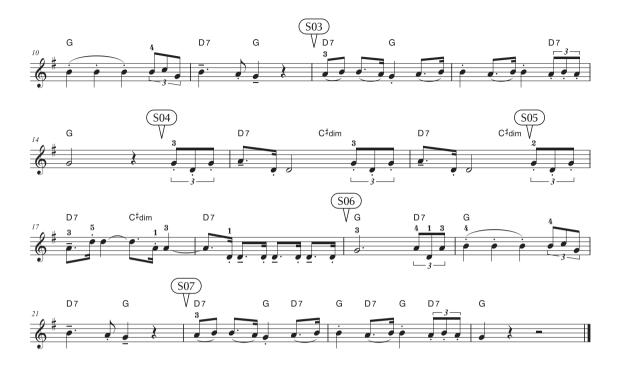
Enjoy the sound of the various instruments with orchestra backing.









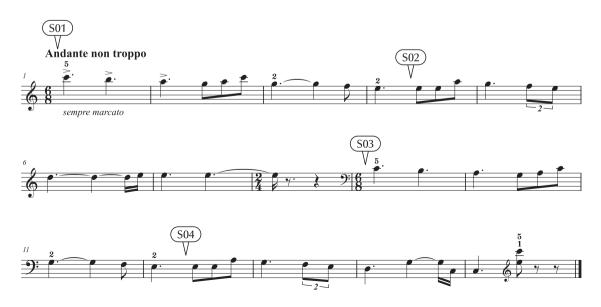


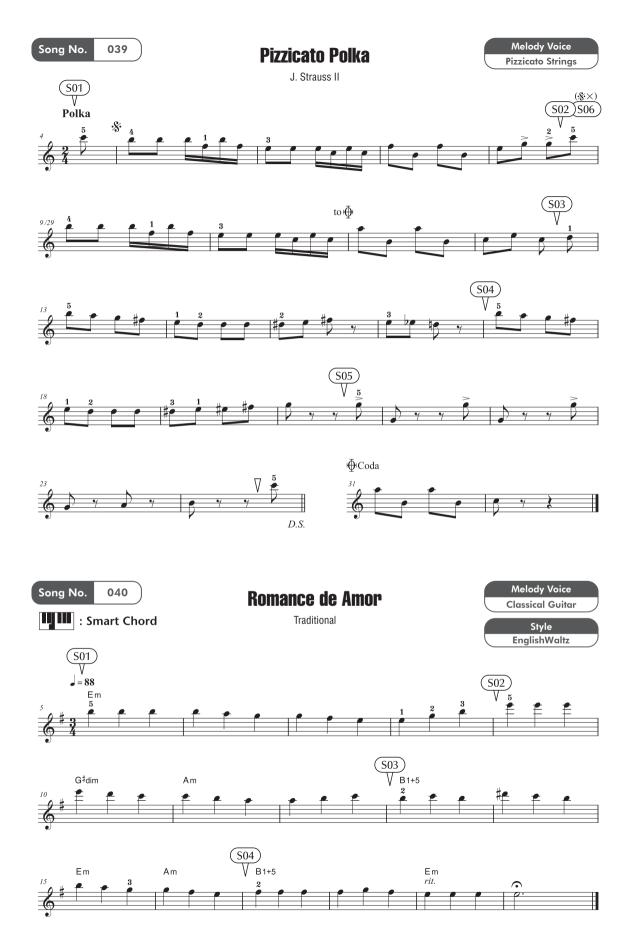
### Song No. 038

## Serenade for Strings in C major, op. 48

Melody Voice Strings

P. I. Tchaikovsky





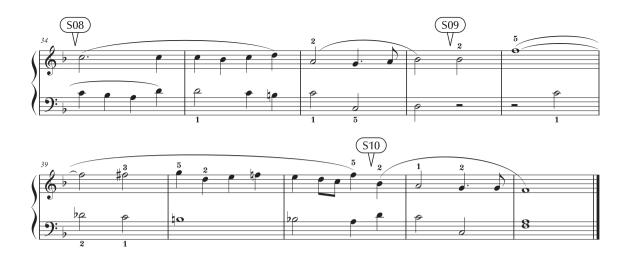
J. S. Bach



Melody Voice Chapel Organ

W. A. Mozart





#### **Radetzky Marsch**

Melody Voice Symphony Kit

J. Strauss I

Use the D# key to clap along with the orchestra.



Begin softly after the introduction, and then clap harder as the intensity of the orchestra increases. After a break in the middle, clap energetically in time with the orchestra for the big finale!

A variety of percussion instruments can be played via the other keys. Try them all out!

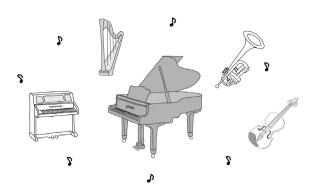
# **Piano Ensemble**

Song No.

044

A collection of wonderful songs suitable for both solo and ensemble performances.

Immerse yourself in the beautiful sound of the piano, either with orchestra backing.



**Melody Voice** 



F. Silcher



#### **Home Sweet Home**

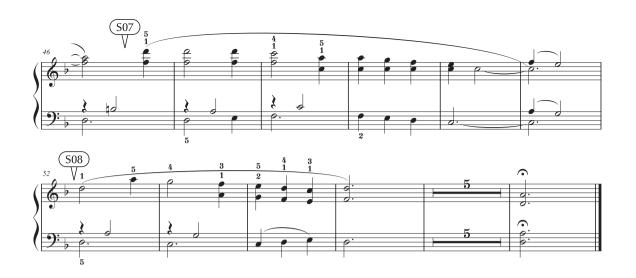
Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

H. R. Bishop



Traditional







#### **Loch Lomond**

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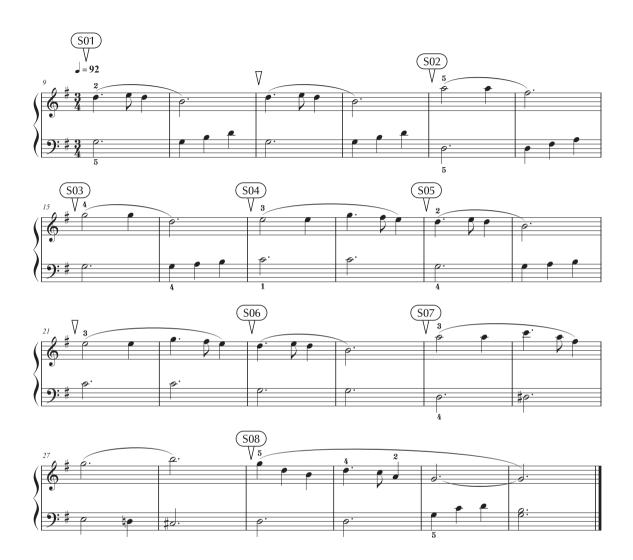
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### **Silent Night**

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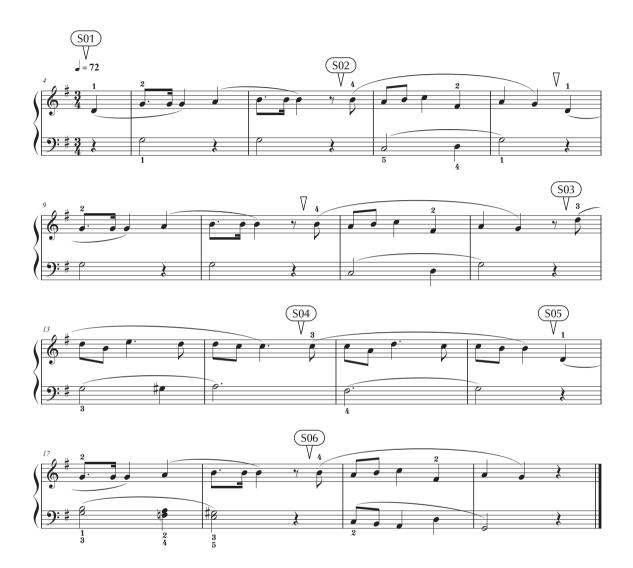
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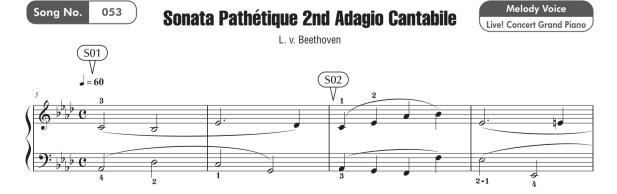


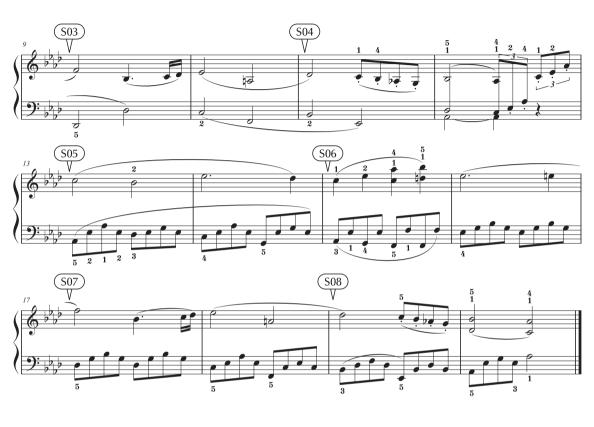
#### **O Christmas Tree**

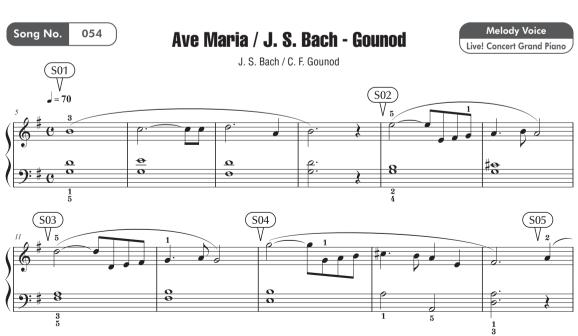
Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

Traditional











#### **Jesus bleibet meine Freude**

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

J. S. Bach



#### Prelude op. 28-15 "Raindrop"

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

F. Chopin



F. Chopin





#### Etude op. 10-3 "Chanson de l'adieu"

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

F. Chopin



#### Romanze (Serenade K. 525)

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

W. A. Mozart



## **Piano Solo**

A collection of well-known piano pieces. Enjoy the beautiful sounds of the piano.





#### La Chevaleresque

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

J. F. Burgmüller





Für Elise

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

L. v. Beethoven





#### **Turkish March**

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

W. A. Mozart











#### **Annie Laurie**

Melody Voice
Live! Concert Grand Piano

Traditional



#### **Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair**

Melody Voice
Live! Concert Grand Piano

S. C. Foster



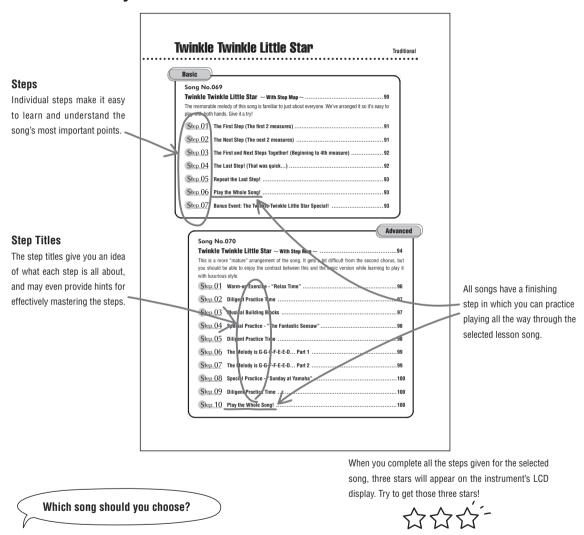


# **Learn to Play**

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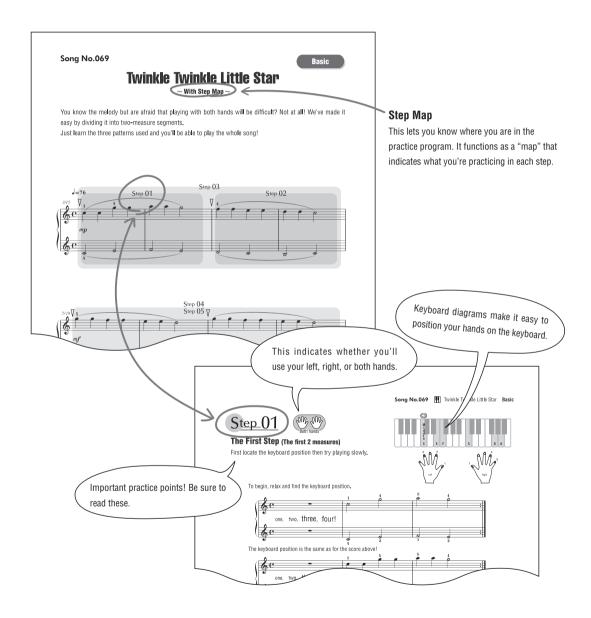
If you've ever wished you could play your favorite songs on the piano, "Learn to Play" will make learning how easy and enjoyable. "Basic" and "Advanced" sections are provided for each song. When you find a song you want to learn, refer to the Master Guide below and get started right away! You'll have fun mastering each song step by step.

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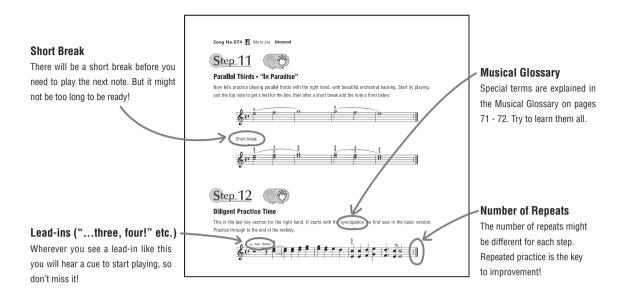


- · If this is the first time you've played a keyboard, we recommend the basic version of an easy song such as "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star" or "Ode to Joy".
- If you only have a little experience on the keyboard, the Basic sections are the best place to start. The Basic section provides many hints that will make the Advanced section easier.
- · Going through the steps in numerous songs is a great way to become familiar with the keyboard. If you find a step you really enjoy and learn to like the song as a result, you're well on your way to mastery!

Before beginning each step, listen to the performance while reading the complete score. Doing this will give you a good mental "image" of the song's structure and flow. When you have an overall feel for the song, press the [ETM KEYS TO SUCCESS] button and start practicing the steps.



#### Learn to Play



# A score of 60 or higher means you pass! Your reward is a round of applause... or a rousing ovation for an even higher score!

## Step Practice Hints



- · If playing with both hands is difficult, it's OK to practice one hand at a time. Sometimes it's the fastest way to learn.
- Note names are written on the score in some steps. If you encounter notes you're not familiar with elsewhere, feel free to write in the note names yourself.
- · Listen to the lead-in carefully so you'll know when to start playing.
- · If you'd like to practice at a slower tempo, simply press the [TEMPO/TAP] button and use the [-] button to reduce the tempo until it is easy to follow.
- Depending on the selected step the metronome may initially be ON or OFF. You can also switch it ON or OFF yourself.
- · The Waiting function makes it easy to find the notes to be played on the keyboard. This can be a great way to prepare for a lesson.
- · You can use the [PAUSE] button to take a break during longer steps. You'll still get the appropriate number of points when you finish the step.
- · Use the "SongVol" function to reduce the accompaniment volume, or the "M.Volume" function to increase the keyboard volume to hear what you're playing more clearly.

#### Play Along with the Learn to Play Orchestra!

During normal Song Mode playback you can use the PART buttons to mute the orchestra parts. When you've mastered a song and earned your three stars, select the Song mode and have fun playing along with the orchestra.

#### **Musical Glossary**

**Monophony** Single notes played independently.

**Polyphony** Multiple notes of different pitch played simultaneously.

Polyphonic Performance

The act of playing multiple notes simultaneously.

Semitone and Whole Tones

Regardless of whether the keys are white or black, the pitch interval between adjacent keys is a semitone. Two

semitones make up a whole tone.

**Interval** The difference in pitch between two notes is known as an "interval".

· Third A "third" is the interval between three whole tones. In the C diatonic scale (that's the scale without sharps or flats:

C-D-E-F-G-A-B) the interval between C and E is a third, as is the interval between E and G.

· **Sixth** A "sixth" is the interval between six notes of the diatonic scale.

· Octave An "octave" is an interval of eight diatonic notes.

· Playing Octaves "Playing octaves" is a performance technique in which notes an octave apart are played simultaneously.

Phrase Phrases are sections of a melody that naturally stand on their own, much like sentences in a paragraph. No specific

length is defined.

**Obbligato** A separate melody that has a similar contour to the main melody.

**Counterpoint** A separate melody that is harmonically related to the main melody, but has independent contour and rhythm.

#### Thumb Under, Finger Over, Finger Ready, and Finger Change

Piano-specific fingering techniques that make keyboard fingering as smooth and easy as possible.

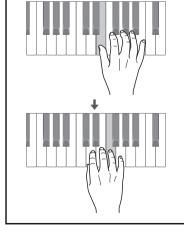
**Thumb Under** The thumb (finger 1) moves under another finger that is playing a note.



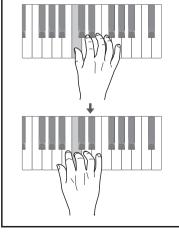
**Finger Over** A finger moves over the thumb (finger 1) while the thumb is playing a note.



**Finger Ready** While one finger is playing a note, another finger moves into position to play the next note.



**Finger Change** A finger that is playing a note is replaced by another finger.





Staccato Play short, disconnected notes. Indicated by dots above or below the notes , or "staccato (stacc.)" written on

the score.

**Legato** Play smoothly connected notes. A slur marking indicates the notes to be played legato, or "*legato*" may

be written on the score.

**Slur** The slur marking indicates notes to be played legato. It can also be used to define musical phrases.

**Tenuto** Play notes for their full length. Indicated by short lines above or below the notes f, or "*tenuto* (*ten.*)" written on

the score.

Tie A tie joins two notes of the same pitch to form one long note, the length of which is the sum of the lengths of the

joined notes.

**Fermata** Pause briefly, and then carry on.

**Syncopation** Unexpected variation of the normal strong-weak pulse of a rhythm.

Auftakt This refers to a melody that starts on the weaker upbeat before the normally accented beat at the beginning of a

measure.

Arpeggio An arpeggio is essentially a chord played one note at a time, similar to the effect of strumming a harp.

**Glissando** A slide produced by running a finger or the heel of your hand up or down the keyboard.

**Chord** Harmonic structures created by adding intervals of thirds.

**Harmony** The pleasing resonant effect produced by playing multiple notes of differing pitch simultaneously.

**Ornament** A musical flourish that is added to "ornament" the melody line.

**Grace Note** An ornamental note played immediately before the main melody note.

Turn A musical ornament that begins one note above the melody note, descends to one note below the melody note,

and then returns to the melody note.

**Expression Directive** Notes at the beginning of a score describing how the piece should be played.

**Ensemble** A number of instruments and/or voices performing together is an "ensemble".



#### Basic

Song No.	067
Für Elise	$\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$ 74
Für Elise is a	n all-time classical favorite.
The beautiful	, well-known melody is repeated a number of times.
	you won't be practicing alone. You have a wonderful orchestra to back you up!
First, listen to	the example a few times. It won't be long before you'll want to start playing it yourself!
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Für E	lise $\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$ 8
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Take a step up from the basic section with these more dazzling steps.  The middle section begins with the "dolce" (sweetly, gently) expression directive, and gradually changes to a bright, lively mood.  After enjoying the light, free atmosphere of the middle section, the melody begins once again.  The challenge begins this will be a great addition to your repertoire.		
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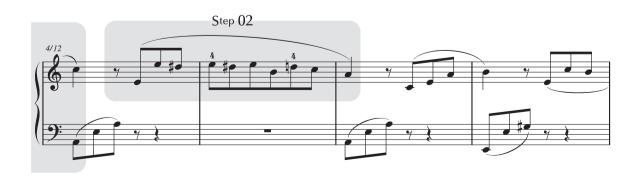


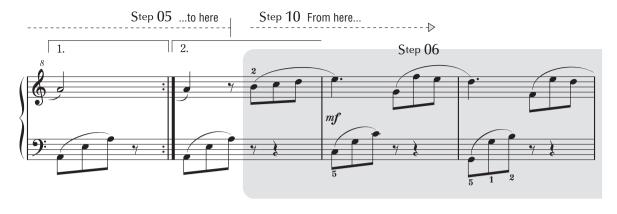
## Für Elise ~ With Step Map ~

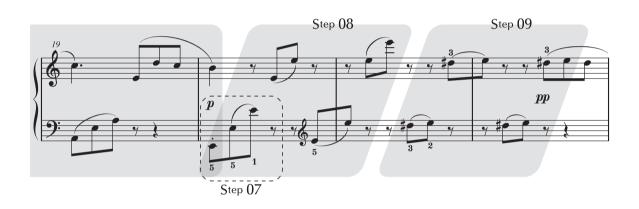
Play with both hands as if gently telling a story. It might help to sing or hum the melody as you play. Similar melody lines and rhythms are repeated in this song, so there aren't as many sections to practice as you might think. Enjoy learning each section as you build proficiency.

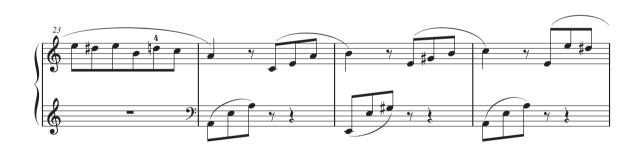














### Step 01



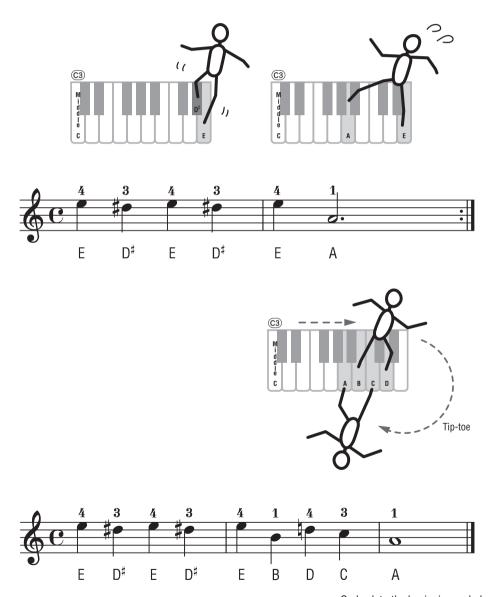
#### Warm-up Exercise - "The Semitone Mystery"

Let's start with a warm-up exercise using three fingers of the right hand.

We'll start by ascending and descending the white and black keys. Check out the illustrations until you understand how the fingers are supposed to move, then get started!

You'll find it easier to play if you bend your fingers slightly.





Go back to the beginning and play it again.





#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Right! Now that we're warmed up let's try playing along with the orchestra in 3/4 time.

The melody will be built up little by little.

Compare each line... notice that many of the shapes formed by the notes are very similar.



Short break



Step 03

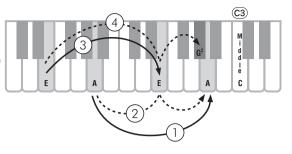


### Warm-up Exercise - "Basic Accompaniment"

And now a warm-up exercise for the left hand.

It's important to spread your fingers widely from the start.

Don't play the black keys too strongly.



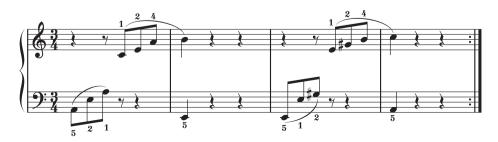


### Step 04



#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Connect the notes smoothly, as if the left hand were passing them to the right hand. You'll be able to play smoothly if you move the left hand into position for the next phrase as soon as it finishes playing the first phrase.







#### **First Half Review**

You've reached the halfway step! Have you learned all the material provided in the preceding steps? Now let's go back and play through all the first-half exercises. If you find that you're having trouble playing any of the material, go back and review the steps using the Step Map as a guide.

### Step 06



#### **Diligent Practice Time**

OK, let's begin the second half!

You'll be able to play the melody nicely if you lift your fingers from the keyboard between the slurs.

It might be easier to grasp the key release timing if you sing along with the melody.

Don't panic and play too strongly where the left hand has to play short notes.



Always have left-hand finger 5 ready to play the next note!





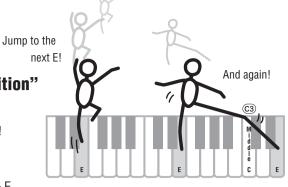




#### Warm-up Exercise - "The Jump Competition"

The first note has a staccato dot.

Spread your fingers wide and jump quickly to the next note!









### Step 08

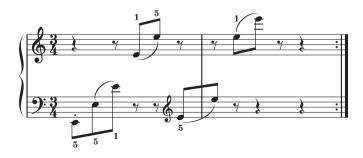


#### "EEEEE!"

The only note in this step is E!

Make the connection between the left and right hands as smooth as possible.





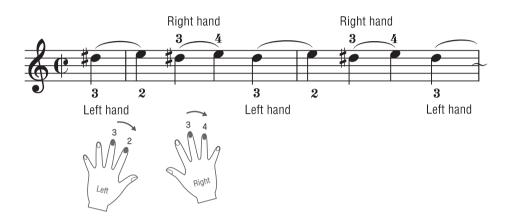




#### "Left! Right! Left! Right!"

Play "D# E" repeatedly, alternating the left and right hands.

Have the next hand ready in position to play D<sup>#</sup> so you won't have to rush.



Step 10



#### **Second Half Review**

Try playing all the way through the second half.

As we did after the first half, if there are places you can't play with confidence go back and review the steps.

Step 11



#### Play the Whole Song!

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

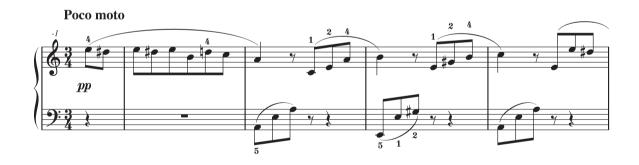
Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.



# Für Elise ~ With Step Map ~

These steps focus on the middle section that wasn't included in the basic version of the song. The right hand plays quick 16th notes in succession, but if you keep your shoulders and arms relaxed and match the timing to the left-hand notes it shouldn't be too difficult.

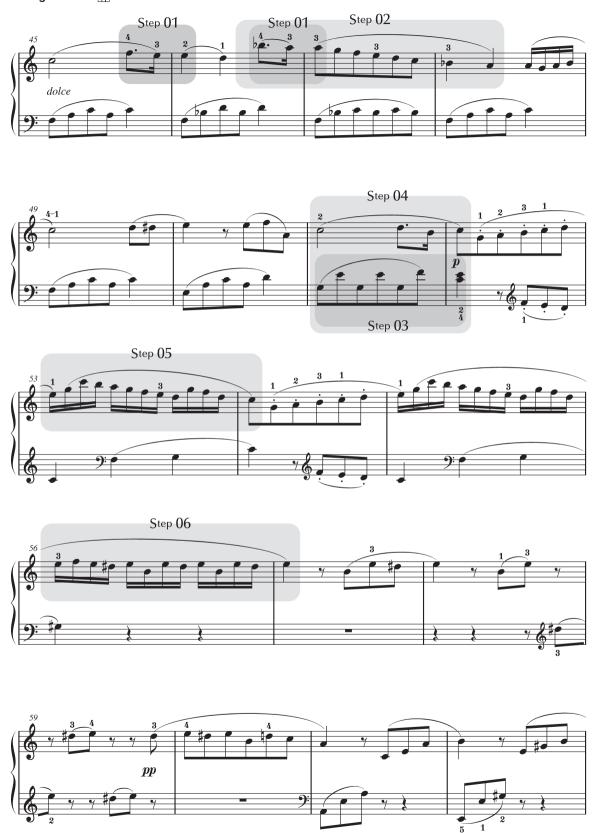
The middle section is to be played brightly and moderately loud. Play the other sections in a gentle, flowing manner to add expression to the song overall.







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#### **Dotted Rhythm Practice**

Dotted rhythms like this might look difficult, but you can make them easier to understand (and fun) if you match the beats up with words.

In the example below the circled syllables and words correspond to notes on the score.

Play this with a gentle touch. No need to pound the keys!

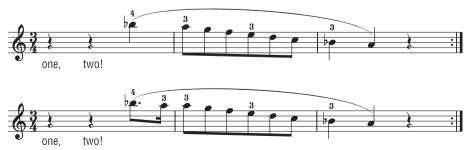


### Step 02



#### **Dotted Rhythms and Scales**

If you sing along while playing scales you'll be more prepared to play each note and will be able to play smoother. Keep your fingers under control!





#### Special Practice - "For a Steady Left Hand"

To make sure that fingers 1 and 5 of your left hand don't waver too much, try placing a coin on the back of your left hand. Don't let the coin fall off while you're playing!

Play the last C and E softly.



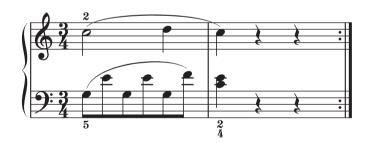
What's going to happen? How long can you keep this up? Do your best to complete the exercise. The trick is to keep it steady!

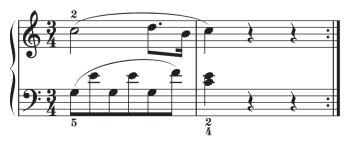
### Step 04



#### "The Steady Left Hand Meets the Relaxed Right Hand"

Let's try adding the right hand to the left-hand part you practiced in Step 03. If you got through the last exercise without giving up, this will be easy!





Is that coin still on the back of your left hand, even after adding the right hand?



#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Play this while counting "one, two, three" in time with the metronome.



Next, join the parts!





#### "Suspense Theater"

This exercise uses only four notes: B, D<sup>‡</sup>, E, and F. Place your fingers on the corresponding keys before you begin, then you'll be able to play the exercise smoothly.



Short break





#### **Play the Whole Song!**

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

### **Twinkle Twinkle Little Star**

#### Basic

Song No.069				
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star $\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$ 90				
	ble melody of this song is familiar to just about everyone. We've arranged it so it's easy to h hands. Give it a try!			
Step 01	The First Step (The first 2 measures) 91			
Step 02	The Next Step (The next 2 measures)91			
Step 03	The First and Next Steps Together! (Beginning to 4th measure)92			
Step 04	The Last Step! (That was quick)			
Step 05	Repeat the Last Step!93			
Step 06	Play the Whole Song!			
Step 07	Bonus Event: The Twinkle Twinkle Little Star Special!			

#### Advanced

Song No.070
Twinkle Twinkle Little Star ~ With Step Map ~94
This is a more "mature" arrangement of the song. It gets a bit difficult from the second chorus, but you should be able to enjoy the contrast between this and the basic version while learning to play it with luxurious style.
Step 01 Warm-up Exercise - "Relax Time"
Step 02 Diligent Practice Time
Step 03 Musical Building Blocks
Step 04 Special Practice - "The Fantastic Seesaw"
Step 05 Diligent Practice Time
Step 06 The Melody is G-G-F-F-E-E-D Part 199
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Step 10 Play the Whole Song!

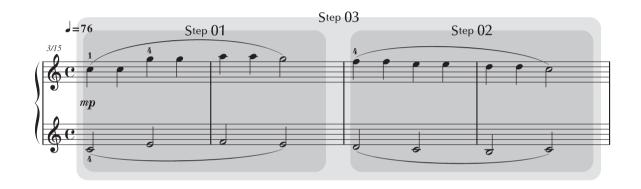


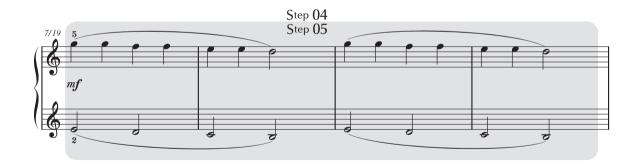
### **Twinkle Twinkle Little Star**

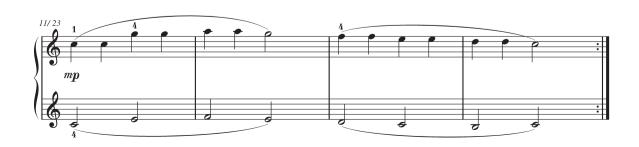
 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

You know the melody but are afraid that playing with both hands will be difficult? Not at all! We've made it easy by dividing it into two-measure segments.

Just learn the three patterns used and you'll be able to play the whole song!





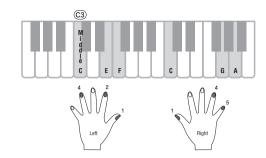






#### The First Step (The first 2 measures)

First locate the keyboard position then try playing slowly.



To begin, relax and find the keyboard position.



The keyboard position is the same as for the score above!



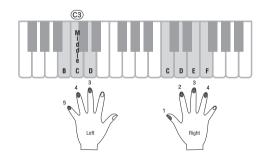
...no problem, that's the first two measures done!

### Step 02



#### The Next Step (The next 2 measures)

As in the last step, begin by locating the keyboard position.



Find the keyboard position just like you did for the first step.



The keyboard position is the same as for the score above!



And that's the next 2 measures done!





#### The First and Next Steps Together! (Beginning to 4th measure)

Now connect Step 01 and Step 02!



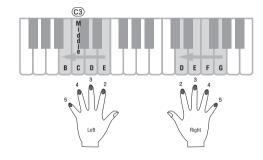
You've played up to here!

### Step 04

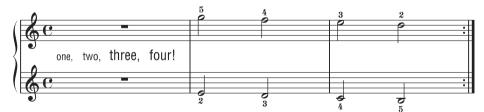


#### The Last Step! (That was quick...)

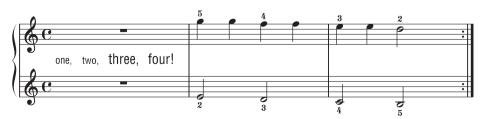
The left-and-right-hand notes descend one at a time.



And once again... locate the keyboard position.



The keyboard position is the same as for the score above... (this is becoming familiar too)!



Getting close to completion.





#### **Repeat the Last Step!**

If you can play this pattern you're almost there!



Step 06



You should be able to see those twinkling stars by now.

#### **Play the Whole Song!**

This is the finishing step!

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Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

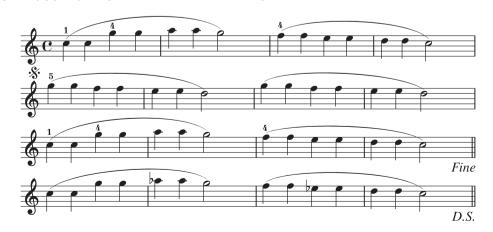


Welcome to the Twinkle Twinkle Little Star Special!

How about a completely different version?

Relax, and try not to let the accompaniment affect what you're playing. There's a black-key note that we haven't used before, but you'll be fine once you learn it.

Off you go... enjoy your journey into some new musical territory!



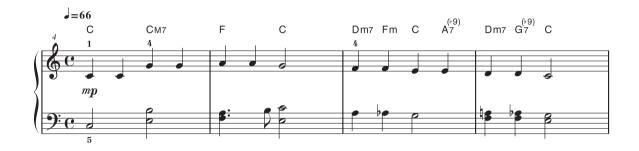


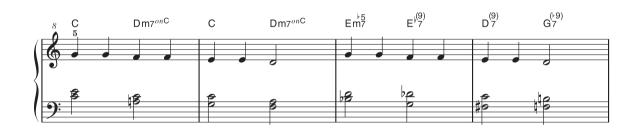
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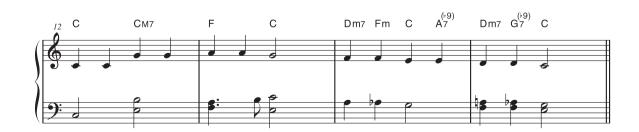
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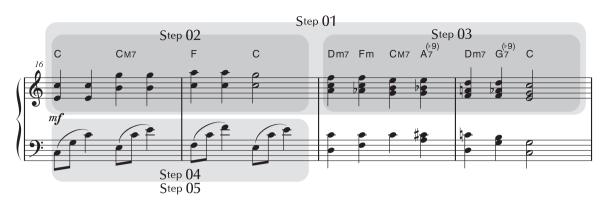
The practice steps begin from the second chorus.

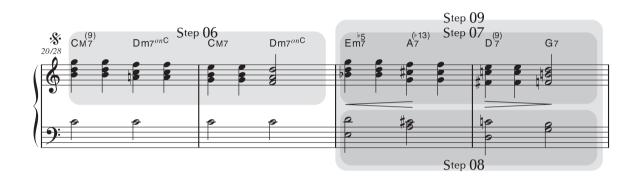
The right hand plays a polyphonic melody part, and there's even a left-hand arpeggio.



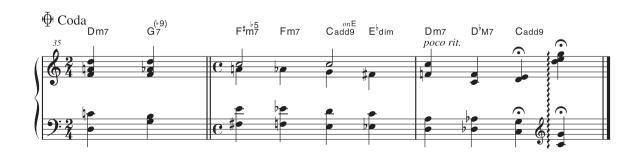










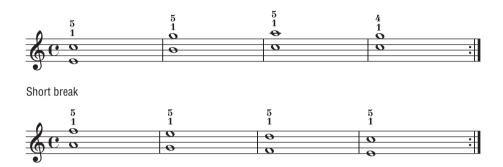


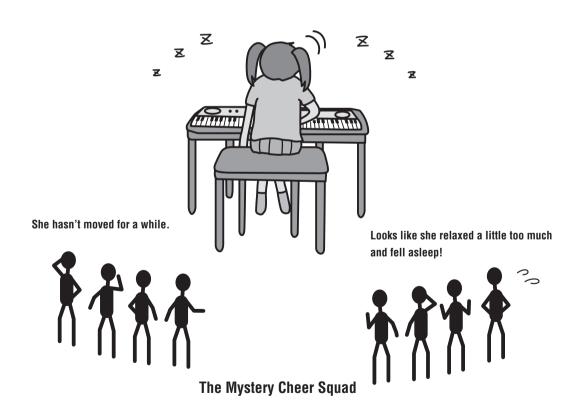




#### Warm-up Exercise - "Relax Time"

Relax, and slowly play these intervals one by one.









#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Pay attention to the distance between the notes as you move from one interval to the next. Prepare to play the next notes as soon as possible.



#### Short break



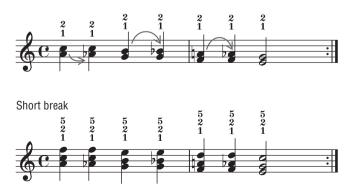
### Step 03



#### **Musical Building Blocks**

This step begins with two notes played together, and then in the second half the melody line is added for a total of three notes.

You'll be playing some black keys too, so pay attention!



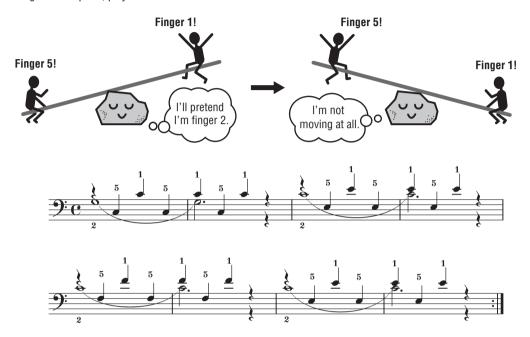




#### **Special Practice - "The Fantastic Seesaw"**

This is a warm-up exercise for Step 05.

With finger 2 as a pivot, play 5-1-5...



### Step 05



#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Arpeggio practice. Play with a relaxed wrist.

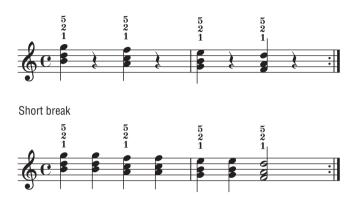






#### The Melody is G-G-F-F-E-E-D... Part 1

The same "shape" moves down the keyboard. Keep your fingers loosely in the same shape to play these chords.







#### The Melody is G-G-F-F-E-E-D... Part 2

The melody is the same as Step 06, but the sound is different! Pay attention to the different shapes as you play this.



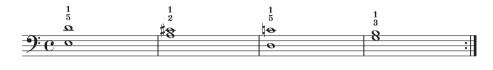




#### **Special Practice - "Sunday at Yamaha"**

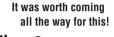
Why don't we refresh ourselves with a change of pace?

Play along with the instrument with a happy, rhythmic feel.











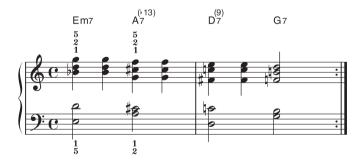
The Cheer Squad Rejoices





#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Now that you've had some fun with Step 08, you should be playing easily with your left hand. Pay attention to the chord timing as you play this.



### Step 10



#### **Play the Whole Song!**

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

### **Turkish March**

#### W. A. Mozart

#### **Basic**

Song No.071
Turkish March ~ With Step Map ~
Step 01 Warm-up Exercise - "Winter Sonatine"
Step 02 Diligent Practice Time
Step 03 Diligent Practice Time
Step 04 Special Practice - "The Special March"
Step 05 Diligent Practice Time
Step 06 "Technical Point!"
Step 07 Diligent Practice Time
Step 08 Special Practice - "Share the Stage with a Pianist"
Step 09 Play the Whole Song!
Song No 073
Song No.072  Turkish March ~ With Step Map ~108
This song has a large number of repeats, but for the advanced version we've arranged a well-known section at a length that is easy to play. It's even suitable for players with small hands!  The song starts with a light mood but gradually increases in dynamic intensity. That is one of the

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### **Turkish March**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

Both the left and right hands play monophonic lines.

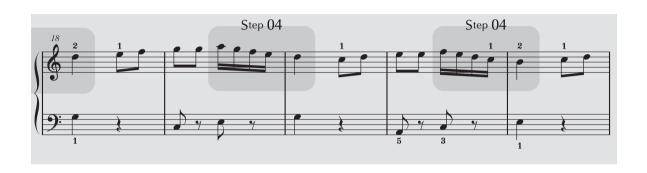
If you look at the melody you'll notice that the same shapes are repeated. The first note is different, but the fingering is the same! Knowing that makes it sound easy, doesn't it?

Listen to the example over and over until you learn the melody, then practice will be easy.

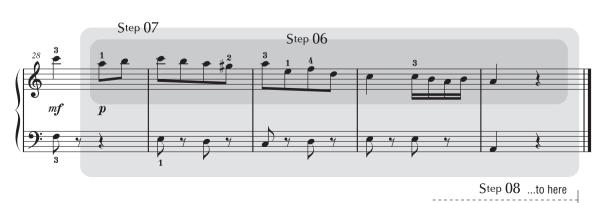


Step 08 From here...









### Step 01 Warm-up Exercise - "Winter Sonatine"



Eh? This is practice for the Turkish March?

Start playing with finger 4, but keep finger 1 close by and ready. That's the key to playing this part smoothly. Now enjoy a romantic moment with the orchestra!



### Step 02 Diligent Practice Time



When you're properly warmed up, it's time to tackle the melody.

Don't forget the key to playing it smoothly that we just learned.



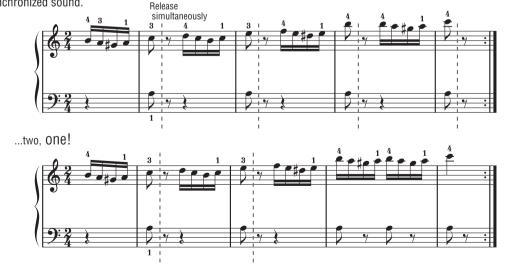
## $Step\ 03$ Diligent Practice Time



Try playing with both hands.

Play the left-hand eighth notes gently. Release the left-hand and right-hand notes simultaneously for a clean, synchronized sound.

Release

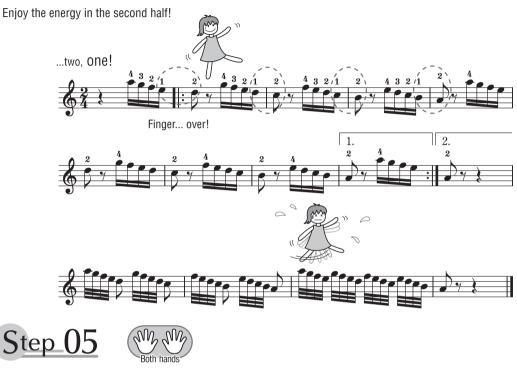






#### **Special Practice - "The Special March"**

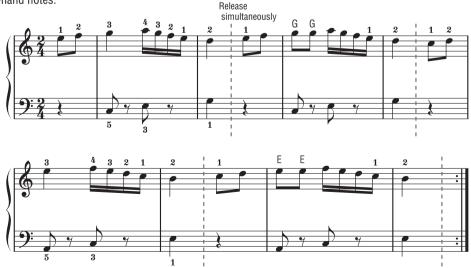
Try playing the Special March melody using the "finger over" (page 71) technique.



#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Don't rush the right-hand "G-G" and "E-E" eighth notes.

Play the last quarter notes of the left-hand "C-E-G" and "A-C-E" parts with care, releasing them simultaneously with the right-hand notes.

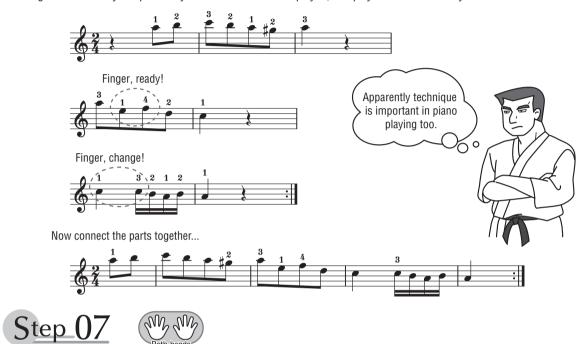






#### "Technical Point!"

A number of techniques that are unique to the piano such as "finger ready" and "finger change" (page 71) are used in the right-hand melody. Prepare early for the next note to be played, and play each note carefully.



#### **Diligent Practice Time**

Resist the urge to rush when playing continuous eighth notes.

Listen to the orchestra carefully and play along!





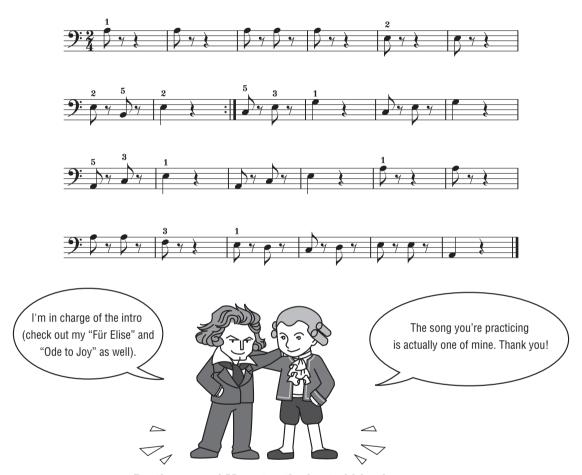


#### Special Practice - "Share the Stage with a Pianist"

Just a little more and we'll be done!

Try playing this left-hand part along with a pianist.

Wait a minute... the intro melody is the Turkish March too?



Beethoven and Mozart... the best of friends

Step 09



#### **Play the Whole Song!**

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

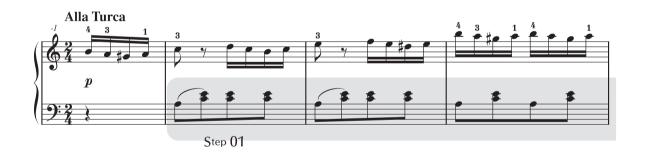
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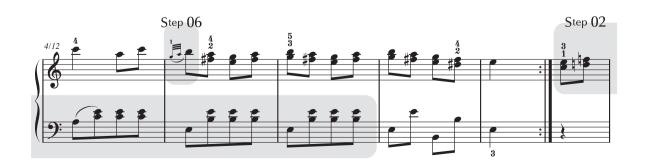


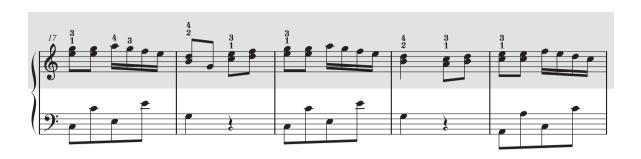
### **Turkish March**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

This score includes polyphonic and octave parts that are essential to give the song momentum, and they're a large part of the song's appeal too. The distinctive left-hand accompaniment must be played at a steady tempo. Don't let your shoulders and arms get tense from the 32nd measure, and play with confidence.

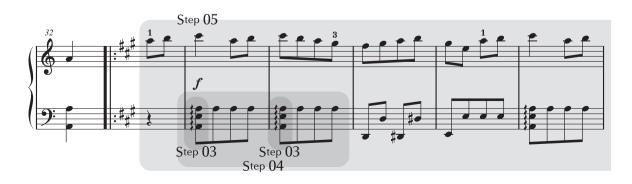




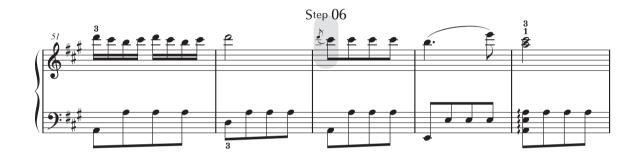


















### **Diligent Practice Time**

We'll start with the left-hand accompaniment.

Bend finger 5 slightly and play firmly to sound (and look) great!

The orchestra will back you up in a variety of ways in each step. Enjoy the interplay, and have fun!



# Step 02

### **Diligent Practice Time**

Make a fist with your hand above the keyboard then gently open your fingers and you're ready! Keep your fingers steady and under control when changing notes.



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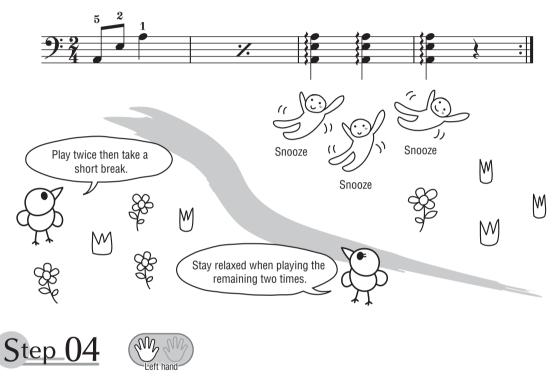


### Warm-up Exercise - "A Nap by the Stream"

is the symbol for "arpeggio".

Before starting the exercise play the A-E-A notes together the check out their sound.

If you sort of "strum" the notes in order from bottom to top you're playing an arpeggio.



#### "Power March"

When you're done with your nap, it's time for a lively march.







### **Diligent Practice Time**

The right hand plays plenty of black keys in this step. Position your hand toward the back of the keyboard before starting to play. Spread your left hand wide from the start, then "grab" the keyboard with fingers 5 and 1 and you'll get the hang of it.



The left hand is going to get busy, but stay with it! The right-hand part is the same as above.







### **Special Practice - "Grace Notes"**

It's time to practice grace notes. The key is "keep it close!"

The grace note should be played softly just before the main note, almost right on top of it. But don't think too much about it. Just let it happen naturally.



Short break



# Step 07



### **Play the Whole Song!**

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

# Ode to Joy

### Basic

Song No	.073		
Ode to Joy $\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$			
This is a very	y simple arrangement of this timeless melody. Play it without hesitation, with a dignified		
feel.			
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### Advanced

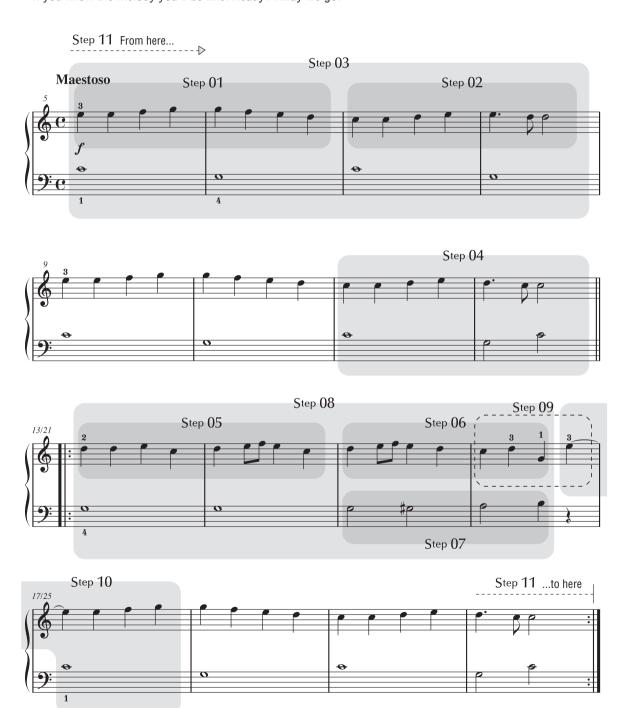
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Song No.074		
<b>Ode to Joy</b> $\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$		
The advanced version is arranged as a more sophisticated ballad.		
With backing from the Learn to Play Pops Orchestra, play this version with a luxurious, sometimes		
grandiose feel.		
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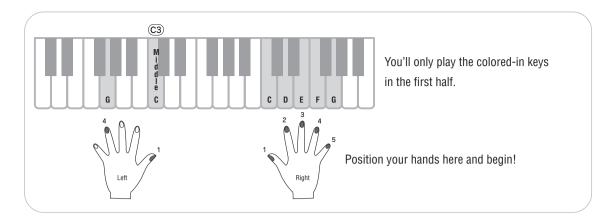


### **Ode to Joy**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

In this version you play monophonic lines with both hands. No tricky techniques are required. If you know the melody you'll be fine. Ready? Away we go.





### $Step\ 01$ Basic Ascending and Descending



The climb from E to G and then the descent from G to D are the basis of the melody. If you can play this well, the rest is easy.



# Step 02 Dotted Rhythm



This melody line, including a dotted note, follows the melody of Step 01.

Sing along with the example to get a feel for the rhythm.



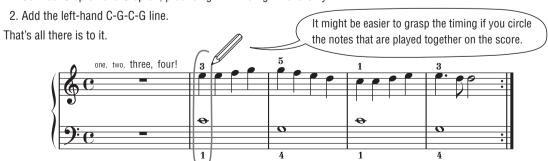
### $Step\ 03$ "And all of a sudden... both hands!"



OK. So lets play with both hands.

Do the exercise in this order:

1. Connect Step 01 and Step 02, practicing with the right hand only.

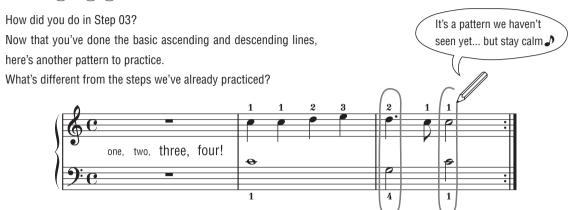


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"CCDE(?)-(?)(?)-"



### Step 05



#### "Change"

And now, the second half.

This part of the melody signals that a change is about to occur. Doesn't it give you the feeling that a new chapter of the story is about to begin?



# Step 06



### **Diligent Practice Time**

This melody line follows the one we learned in Step 05. Don't try to rush when you get to the last G. Have finger 1 in position and ready a little early.





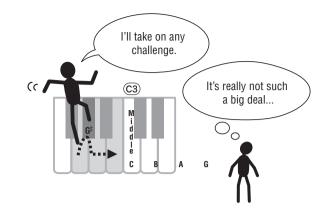


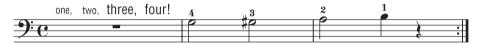
### "Step On the Black Key"

This is the left-hand line that goes with the Step 06 right-hand line.

The notes ascend in sequence from G, with one black key along the way.

Step on the black key along with the orchestra.





# Step 08



### "Play with Both Hands"

Now you're ready to play with both hands.

What do you suppose the order of the exercise is? (Hint: check out Step 03).



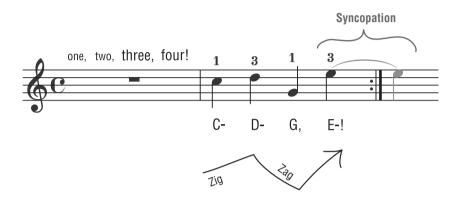
<sup>2.</sup> Add the left-hand G-G-G-G-4-P line.

<sup>1.</sup> Connect Step 05 and Step 06, practicing with the right hand only.

### Step 09 "Zig-Zag Path to E"



Before getting into the final four measures, we come across a very distinctive syncopated phrase. Sing this zig-zag "C-D-G, E" line.

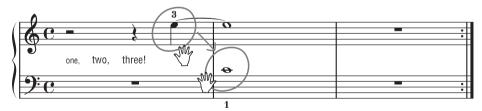


# Step 10 "Right Hand then Left Hand"

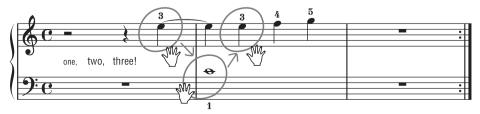


Here's the syncopated E from Step 09, and the left-hand note that follows. We'll also play a little of the ensuing melody in the second half.

First, the right and left hands in sequence.



Then, right hand, left hand, and right hand again.



# Step 11 "Right-hand Rehearsal: String Ensemble Version"



You've done well up to Step 10, so let's try playing the whole song all the way through.

But before we do that, let's rehearse by playing just the right-hand part with beautiful accompaniment from a string ensemble.

> If you find it difficult to play along with the orchestra, use the metronome instead.





# Step 12 Play the Whole Song!



This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.



### **Ode to Joy**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

Play the melody with a stately, grandiose feel. Add some dynamic expression for a more musical performance. If you can play the right hand part from the basic version you're halfway there. The following steps focus on the left-hand accompaniment and the third and sixth intervals used in the melody line.





### Step 01 Warm-up Exercise - "Left-hand Power"



Let's do a warm-up exercise for the left hand.

Play the phrase that descends in semitones while holding the bass note with finger 5. Enjoy the smooth harmonic transitions that occur when you play along with the orchestra.



### Step 02 Diligent Practice Time



Let's practice the first four measures of the left-hand part.

Play the notes for their full duration.



### Step 03 Diligent Practice Time



These are the four measures that follow the part practiced in Step 02. The movement is a little more complex, but the warm-up exercise we did above should make it easy.



### Step.04 Parallel Thirds - "Gently Flowing"



A number of third intervals appear in sequence in the left-hand part of the melody middle section. Connect them as smoothly as possible.







### "Right-hand Part Practice"

At last we come to the right-hand part.

In Step 07 we'll use both the right and left hands to play the harmony parts. But here we'll just practice the right-hand part.



It's a bit lonely without the left hand...

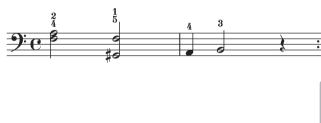
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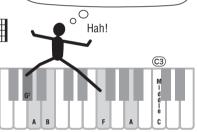


### "Left-hand Part Practice"

And this is the part that the left-hand will play.



I feel a bit silly posing like this without the right hand...



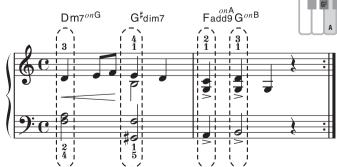
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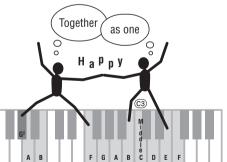


### "Both Hands Together"

Now let's play both parts together.

The left and right hands cooperate to create powerful harmony!





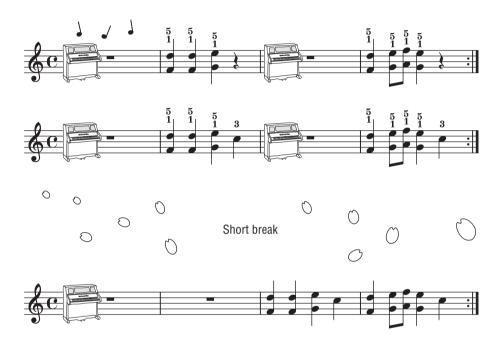




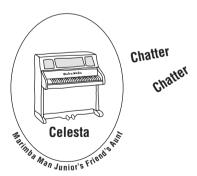
### Special Practice - "Meet Marimba Man Junior's Friend's Aunt: Follow the Leader"

Practice playing successive sixth intervals.

When the rhythm begins listen to the phrase played by the celesta, then play it yourself.



...and the rest with energy!



Miss Koto coming in suddenly like that startled me! The melody was probably similar to something she knew and she just couldn't keep quiet. Ha ha. What?

Yes, I know Marimba Man Jr. very well. He's a good friend of my nephew. Oh?

You haven't met Marimba Man Jr. yet? I'm sure you'll run into him somewhere. Tee-hee. His father is Marimba Man, an excellent marimba player. And he's a fine person too! Oh yes, speaking of marimbas...

Talk Talk









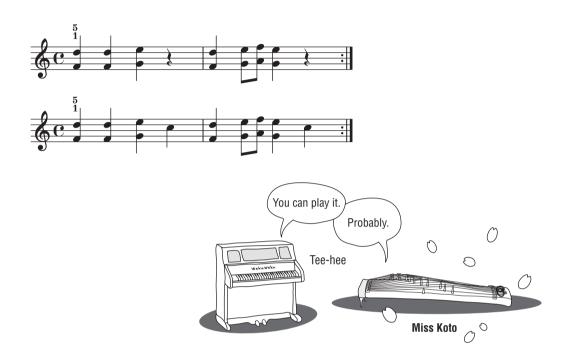


You might meet someone in another song too!

# Step 09 Diligent Practice Time



If you enjoyed Step 08, this will be no problem.

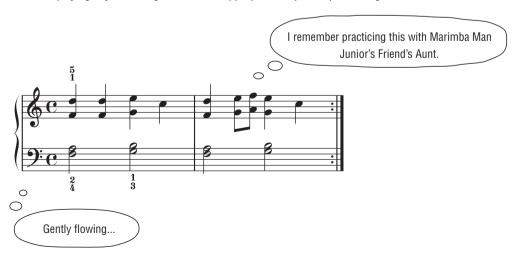


# Step 10 Diligent Practice Time



The left hand plays thirds while the right hand plays sixths. This section requires concentration to play well, but it's also the most impressive sounding section of the song.

If you have trouble playing any section, go back to the appropriate steps and practice again.



Song No.074 | Ode to Joy Advanced





#### Parallel Thirds - "In Paradise"

Now let's practice playing parallel thirds with the right hand, with beautiful orchestral backing.

Start by playing just the top note to get a feel for the line, then after a short break add the note a third below.



Short break



### Step 12



### **Diligent Practice Time**

This is the last key section for the right hand. It starts with the syncopation we first saw in the basic version. Practice through to the end of the melody.



# Step 13



### Play the Whole Song!

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

# **The Entertainer**

### Basic

Song No.075
The Entertainer ~ With Step Map ~130
This is one of those songs that aspiring piano players long to master. The characteristic left-hand accompaniment and attractive melody are a bit too tricky for the beginner to play all at once. We've made it much easier by creating an arrangement in which the left-hand accompaniment has been reduced to just the essential bass notes.
Step 01 "A Hearing Test?"
Step 02 Diligent Practice Time
Step 03 "Semitone Return Trip"
Step 04 Diligent Practice Time
Step 05 Diligent Practice Time
Step 06 "At the End of the Tunnel"
Step 07 Diligent Practice Time
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Step 10 Diligent Practice Time
Step 11 "The Signature Phrase"
Step 12 Play the Whole Song!
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Song No.076			
The Entertainer $\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$			
both in leng	the basic version, this arrangement is much closer to the original. It will be a challenge by the and the number of notes that must be played. The difficult "stride" left-hand nent and the parallel-sixth melody line are real attention getters. It's definitely worthwhile me to master this one!		
Step 01	"Sixths Warm-up Exercise"139		
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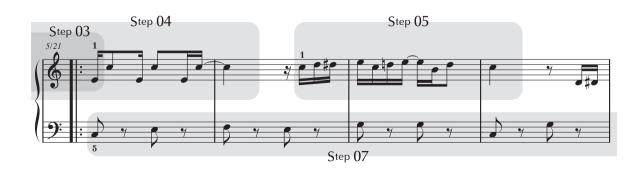


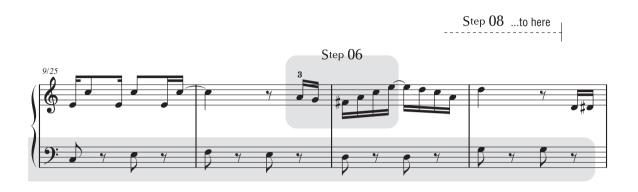
### **The Entertainer**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

Although the arrangement is simplified, the rhythm of the melody is no less difficult than the original. You can start by listening to the example and learning it by ear, or by practicing the individual steps. Diligence is the only true shortcut.











# Step 01 "A Hearing Test?"



Let's learn the first shape that appears in the introduction.

The pitch of the starting note changes in the middle. Listen to the cue tone carefully.



### Step 02 Diligent Practice Time



This is also a section of the intro. The last few notes are different from the shape we learned in the last step. Watch out for the black key!



# Step 03 "Semitone Return Trip"



Practice going and returning in semitone steps. Finger 1 is the key.



### Step 04 Diligent Practice Time



The rhythm of the E and C notes is important. Play this again and again until you learn it by "muscle memory".



# Step 05 Diligent Practice Time



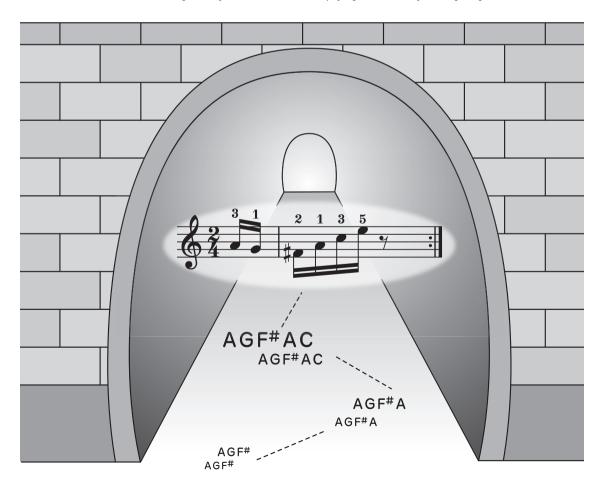
Take care to play the tied notes correctly.



# $Step\ 06$ "At the End of the Tunnel"



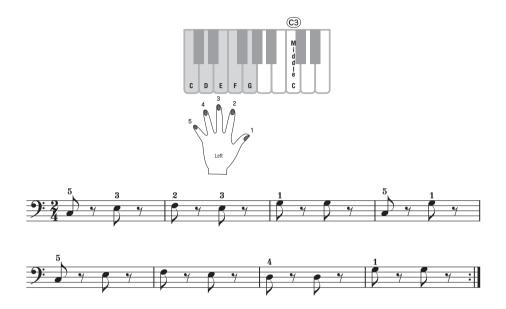
The number of notes will increase gradually. Connect them while paying attention to your fingering.



# Step 07 Diligent Practice Time



Place your fingers on the keys you'll play, and play them in order: 5, 3, 2, 3...



# Step 08 Put It Together



Now play the first half with both hands! It might seem a bit difficult, so practice just the right-hand part first. If there are any sections you're having trouble with, go back to the corresponding steps using the Step Map as a guide, and practice them again.





# Step 09 "Percussion Joins In"



Just keep repeating ECDE-CDC and... hey! Where did those rhythm instruments come from?



### Step 10 Diligent Practice Time



Pay attention to your fingering on the black keys.



# Step 11 "The Signature Phrase"



Have you mastered Step 09 and Step 10? If you have you're ready to play the song's signature phrase with both hands.

Don't let either hand pull the other off time.



### Step 12 Play the Whole Song!



This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

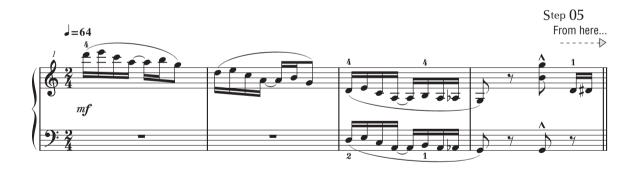
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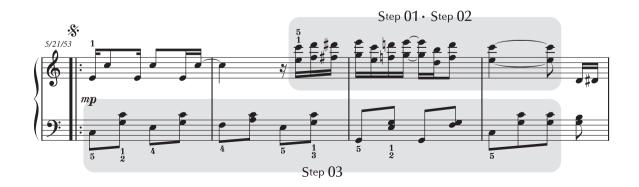


### **The Entertainer**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

In this arrangement harmony is added a sixth below the melody line of the basic version for a richer texture. The 16th notes in the middle section look difficult, but if you practice them thoroughly first with the right hand only you'll get through it with no problem. Practice each hand individually, and then when you have a good feel for the parts put them together. When playing with both hands it's very important to keep up a steady tempo with the left hand.

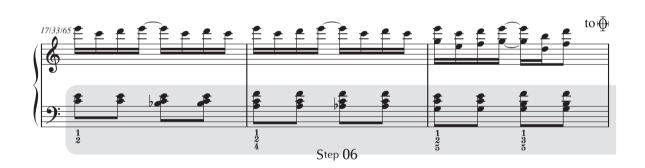




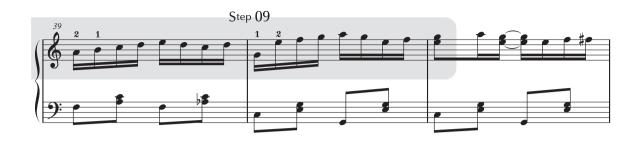
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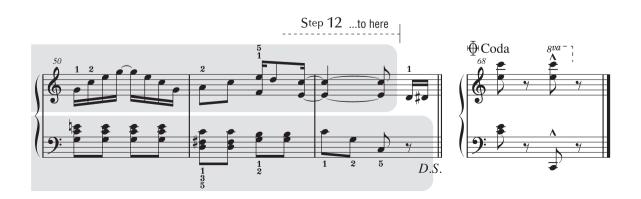








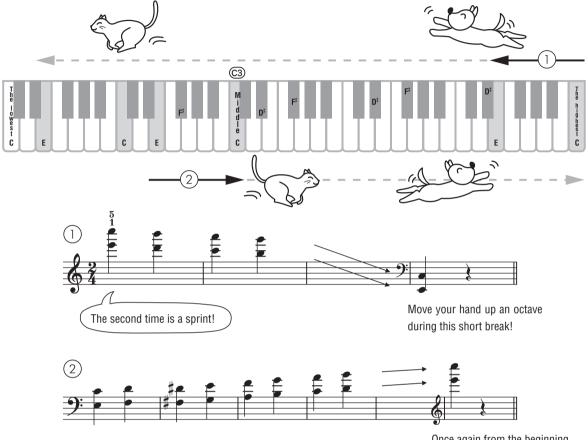




# Step 01 "Sixths Warm-up Exercise"



Practice playing sixths until you can do it naturally. You'll encounter black keys and tempo changes along the way!



Once again from the beginning... after a very short break.

# Step 02 Diligent Practice Time



This is the same melody segment that we learned in Step 05 of the basic version. This time we'll play it in sixths.







### "A New Challenge... Part 1"

This is a basic exercise for the left hand.

First play the three-note chords to learn their positions. Learn the finger positions and they'll be easy to play.



Short break



# Step 04



### "A New Challenge... Part 2"

Do this in the same way as the last step. There are a couple of black keys and it's a little more complex, but you can do it!



Short break

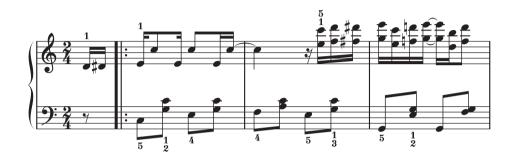


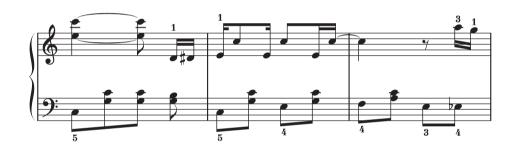


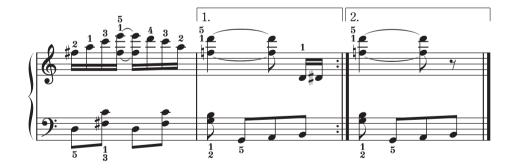


### **Put It Together**

Let's take what we've learned so far and play it all through. It might be a good idea to practice each hand individually first.







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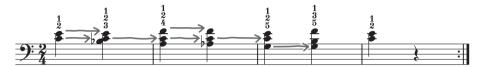




#### "A Musical Tour"

If the fingering seems difficult, notice which notes in each chord also appear in the next chord. That will be your clue.

First, get your fingers ready by playing this twice.



Then play this rhythmically as many times as necessary until you feel comfortable with it.

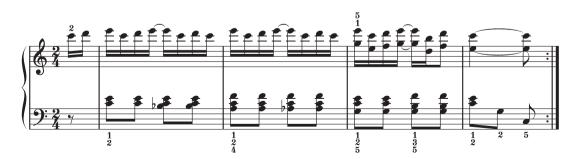


# Step 07



### **Diligent Practice Time**

Is it tough to play this with both hands? You really need to master this, because it will sound great!



# Step~08 "In Vintage Fusion Style"



The initial rhythm is the key to playing the two-note melody in a cool way. Begin by learning the timing.





# Step 09 "One Thing at a Time... Part 1"



Most players are intimidated by continuous sequences of 16th notes. If you practice one short section at a time it becomes easy!



# $Step 10 \quad \hbox{``One Thing at a Time... Part 2''}$



The rhythm is a little more complex than the last exercise. Learn the individual sections one group of notes at a time.



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### **Diligent Practice Time**

Approach this exercise in the same way as Step 06.

When you get comfortable with this, try to read ahead on the score a bit.

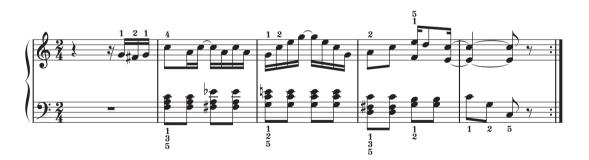


# Step 12



### "The Toughest Challenge!"

Practice the climax of the middle section. When you can play this you're almost done!



# Step 13



### Play the Whole Song!

This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

#### Traditional

# **Londonderry Air**

#### **Basic**

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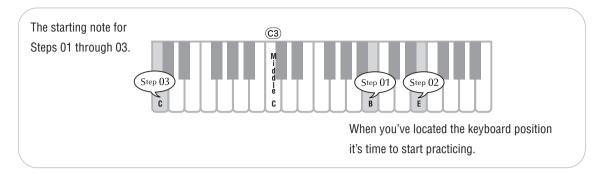
# **Londonderry Air**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

The melody begins with an auftakt, and the same rhythm is repeated a number of times. The left hand plays accompaniment in the first half, then counterpoint in the second half for different effects.

Play the 8th notes smoothly and gently, with expression.





# $Step\ 01$ The Melody Begins



The melody begins with an auftakt. The first note is played with finger 1, and should not be played too strongly. Play a little stronger as the notes get higher to build up the mood.

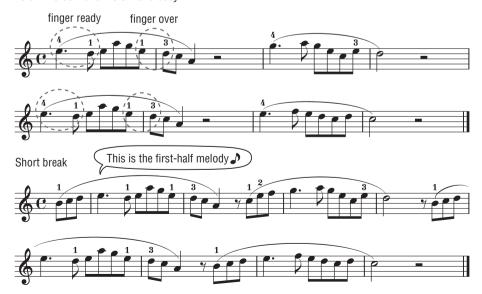


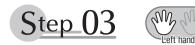
# $Step\ 02$ Diligent Practice Time



The "finger ready" and "finger over" (page 71) techniques are used here. Prepare for the next note a little early to make playing easier.

Don't rush the 8th notes. Take it slow and easy.





### **Diligent Practice Time**

This is practice for the left-hand accompaniment for the first half.

Consider each measure as a group of notes. It will be easier to play if you keep the image of the keys you'll play in each group in your mind before playing the first note.

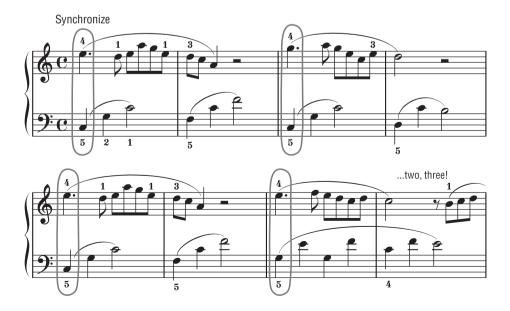


# Step 04



### **Play with Both Hands**

It's time to play with the left and right hands together. Play the left-hand part carefully while listening to the metronome. That will allow you to play the right-hand part with a relaxed feel.





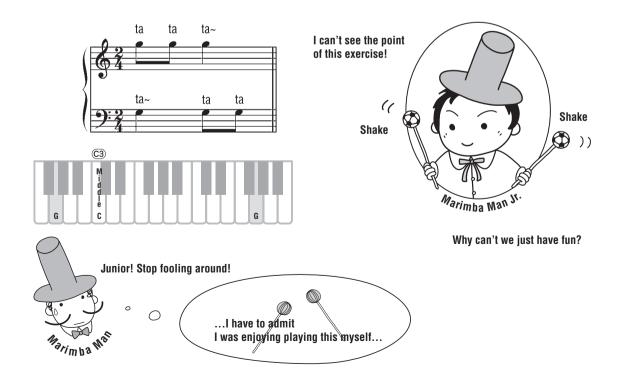
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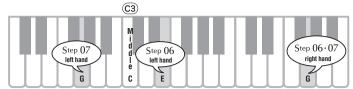
### Special Practice: Rhythm Combinations - "Meet Marimba Man Jr."

The right hand plays eighth notes while the left hand plays a quarter note, then the right hand plays a quarter note while the left hand plays eighth notes... what's this exercise for?

Play this a number of times after the lead-in. Have fun trying not to get pulled off time by the melody playing in the background.



Steps 06 and 07 begin on these notes. Ready?

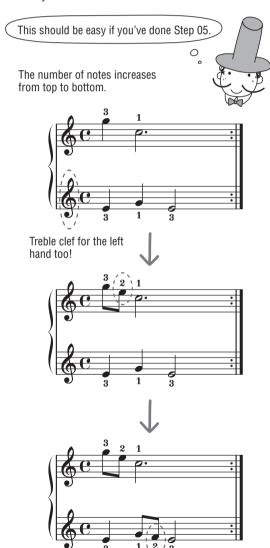


# Step 06



### **Rhythm Combinations: Ex. 1**

Try to connect the right and left hand eighth notes smoothly. Don't play the left hand finger 1 notes too loudly.

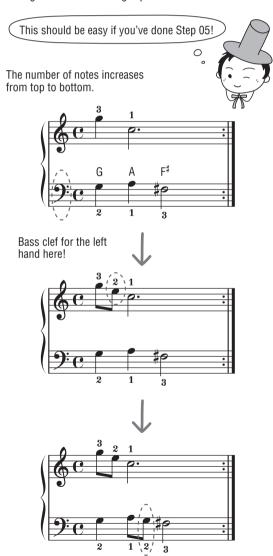


# Step 07



### **Rhythm Combinations: Ex. 2**

The F<sup>#</sup> played by the left hand is a black key. Before playing the exercise, play the G, A, and F<sup>#</sup> keys together to get a feel for the finger positions.



# Step 08 Diligent Practice Time



Practice repeating the G note. You'll get a nice uniform sound even if you change fingers if you play in about the same position.

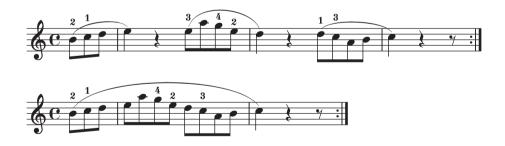


# ${\sf Step~09}$ Special Practice - "Finishing Up in Style"



The melody closes with a series of 8th notes.

Learn this section by dividing into to short segments that you can practice individually. When you're ready, play then entire section.



# Step 10 Play the Whole Song!



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Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

# **Londonderry Air**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

This arrangement covers a wide range from the lowest to highest notes that will allow you to enjoy the full sound and resonance of the piano as you play. Also try to observe the detailed dynamics markings. Listen to the orchestra carefully and create a rich atmosphere.









### Special Practice: Arpeggio, R&B Version - "Follow the Harp!"

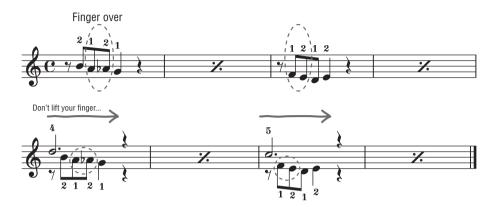
This is an arpeggio exercise. The G, B, and E notes will be played in a variety of ways. Listen to the rhythms the harp plays, then play them yourself.



# Step 02 Diligent Practice Time



Let's practice the "finger over" (page 71) technique. It's easier if you bend your fingers slightly. The notes played with fingers 4 and 5 are the melody, so don't release them while you're playing the other notes.



### $Step\ 03$ Special Practice - "Bossa Mood"



Let's do some left-hand practice with a lively Bossa Nova rhythm. This type of harmony appears frequently, so you should try to remember it.



# Step 04 Diligent Practice Time



Let's practice the accompanying line to the left-hand melody.

The French horn will start the melody. Listen carefully and learn the timing.





### **Diligent Practice Time**

And now we'll play the left-hand melody and the accompanying right-hand notes together. Play the left-hand part moderately loud, and the right-hand part a little softer.





### **Diligent Practice Time**

This type of left-hand accompaniment is often heard in piano pieces.

Keep your wrist relaxed and prepare early for the next note. Don't cut the last note of the phrase short.



Short break





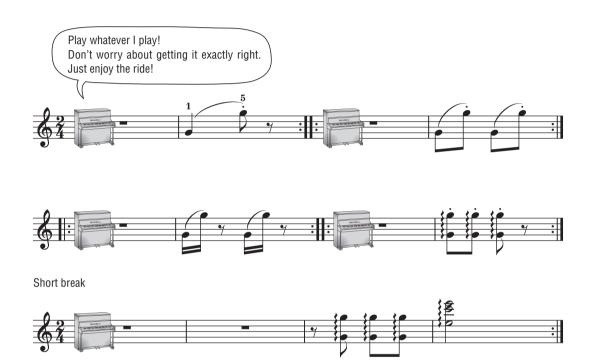


### Special Practice: Arpeggio, Ragtime Version - "Follow the Honky-Tonk Piano!"

Welcome to the 1-octave arpeggio challenge!

Follow the honky-tonk piano, copying its nuances as closely as you can.

It doesn't matter if you fall a bit behind the orchestra, but whatever you do don't rush!



I'm what they call a "Honky-Tonk Piano". Like my unique sound?

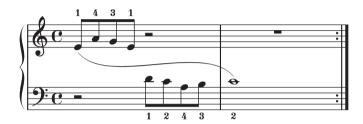






### **A Beautiful Ending**

The right hand passes the melody line to the left hand, leading to a slow, serene ending. Enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of the orchestra too!







### **Play the Whole Song!**

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Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

# **The Last Rose of Summer**

#### **Traditional**

#### **Basic**

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You'll never want to stop playing this beautiful melody. The orchestra provides elegant support with harp, glockenspiel, celesta, and more. In the second half there's a place where the tempo gets gradually slower. Listen to the example carefully to get a good feel for the overall mood. Play as if singing softly.

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#### **Advanced**

#### Song No.080

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This arrangement offers lots of variation with ornaments and polyphony by the right hand, and interesting changes in the left-hand accompaniment. Play at a leisurely tempo, and focus on the simple beauty of this song.

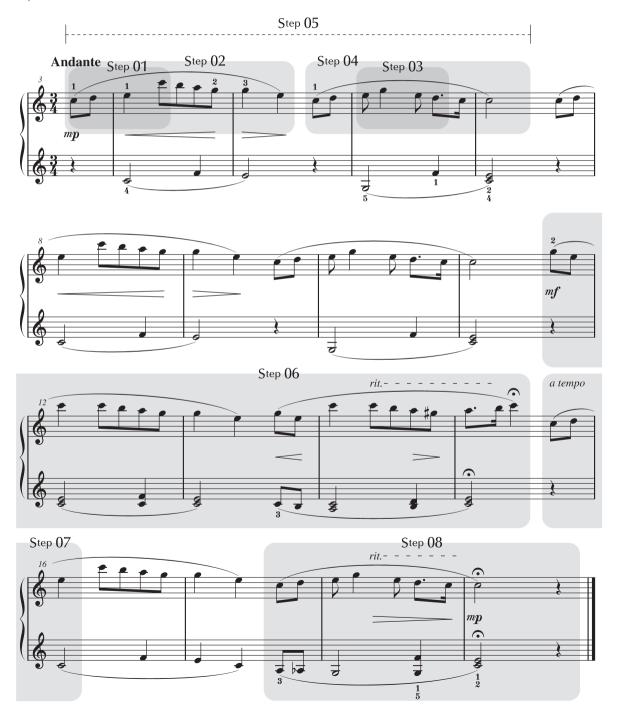
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### **The Last Rose of Summer**

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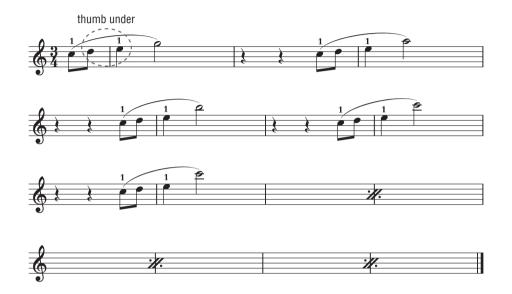
The melody for this song begins on an auftakt. The melody features repetitions and similar phrases, so if you can play the first 4 measures the rest will be easy. The left-hand rhythm in the first 2 measures repeats throughout the song. Match the feel of the left and right hands at the end of each phrase for a refined performance.





### Warm-up Exercise - "Under and Stretch"

Auftakt and "finger under" (page 71) practice. Stretch your fingers a little more each time you play this exercise, while limbering up your mood as well.

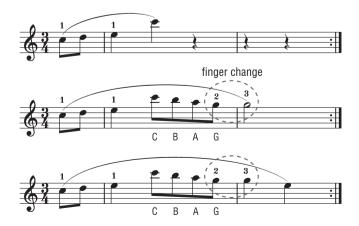


# Step 02

### **Diligent Practice Time**

A phrase that uses "finger change" (page 71) fingering follows the Step 01 phrase, and the line becomes more melodic. Try not to become tense at the beginning, and start with a pure, sincere feel.

Stay calm, and don't rush the C-B-A-G notes.



Song No.079 The Last Rose of Summer Basic





### **Syncopated Melody**

Here we'll learn a syncopated section of the melody.



Try not to lift your fingers from the keyboard. Listen the glockenspiel in the backing orchestra, it will provide the timing guide you need.



# Step 04



### **Diligent Practice Time**

Here a dotted rhythm and auftakt are added to Step 03.

Play non-syncopated notes slightly softer to bring out the beauty of the melody.



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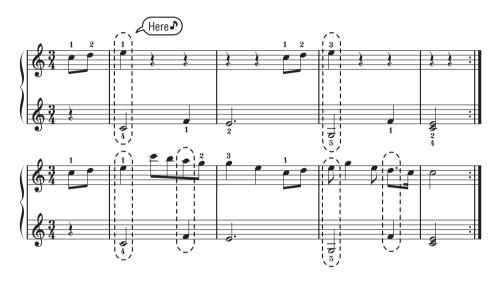




### **Timing Both Hands**

Now we'll bring in the left hand for a two-handed performance. It's important to synchronize the left and right hands at the points marked ( $\overline{\text{Here}}$ ).

Play the ends of the phrases gently.



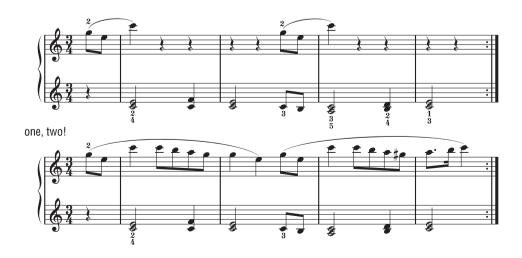
# Step 06



### **Diligent Practice Time**

The way you hold your fingers is essential to playing the left-hand polyphony well. Don't hold your fingers straight. Keep them slightly bent.

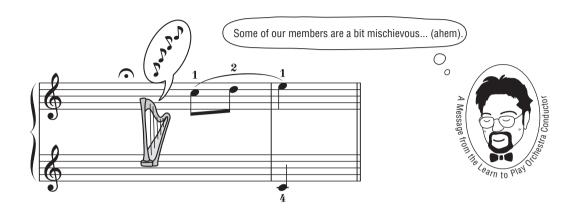
Keep the harmony notes synchronized so they sound as one.



# $\underline{Step.07}$ Special Practice - "Find a Cue!"



When playing with the Learn to Play Orchestra, listen to the harp for your cue to exit from the fermata . Practice listening for the right cue (!) so you can play in tight ensemble with the orchestra.



# $Step\ 08$ Diligent Practice Time



The left hand also plays a black key. This will go smoothly if you position your left hand a little toward the rear of the keyboard before playing the first A.



# Step 09 Play the Whole Song!



This is the finishing step!

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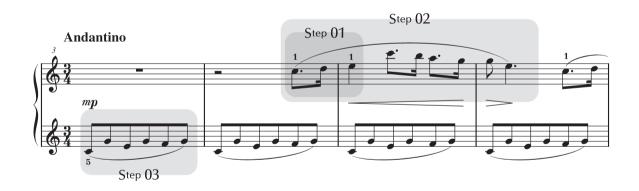
Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.



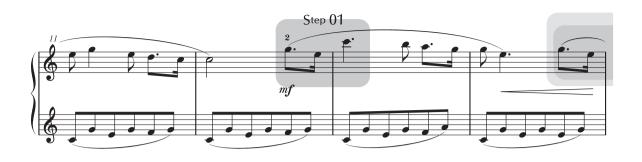
### **The Last Rose of Summer**

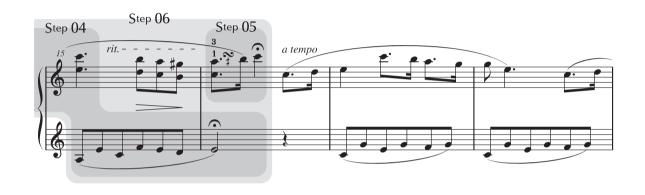
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Overall the 8th notes should be played softly to make the song flow smoothly. Even difficult phrases become easier if you sing the melody as you play. Always be aware of the mood you're creating with the left-hand accompaniment.

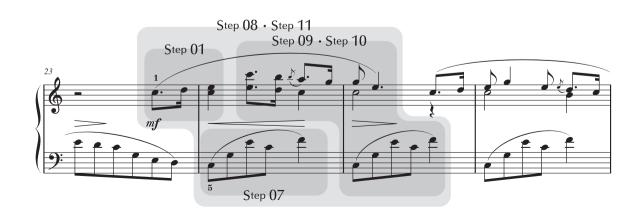


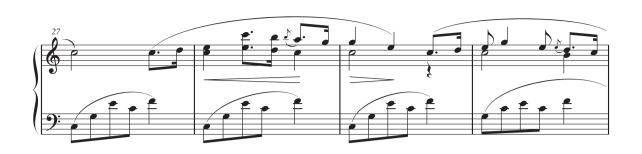






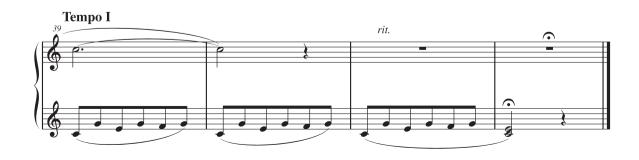
















### **Special Practice - "The Starting Rhythm"**

This is a collection of auftakt melodies.

Try singing "La~di da~" while playing the dotted rhythms.







### **Diligent Practice Time**

Play C-B-A-G beautifully, just softly touching the keys.

Play smoothly, without letting the notes cut off too soon.







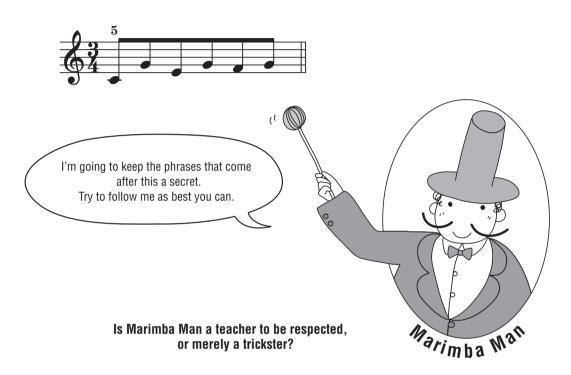


### Special Practice - "Meet Marimba Man: Follow Me!"

Let's practice the basic left-hand accompaniment pattern.

When you hear the rhythm, follow Marimba Man and copy each phrase he plays.

There will be a number of variations, so listen carefully.

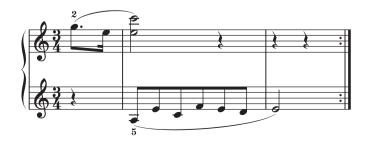


# Step 04



### **Diligent Practice Time**

Don't play too heavily with the right hand. And try to keep the volume of the left-hand 8th notes consistent.



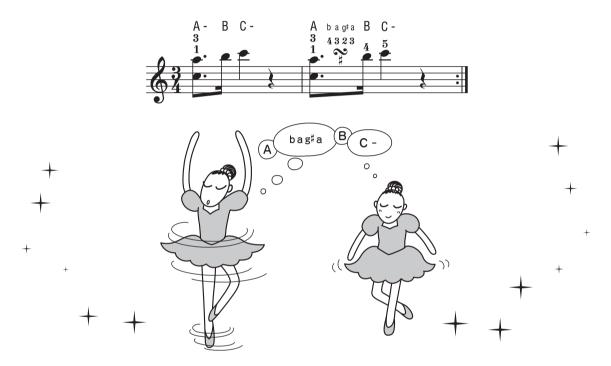




#### **Turn Practice**

Next we'll practice an ornamental turn. The melody line consists only of A, B, and C. The key is to bend your fingers slightly and play near the rear of the keyboard.

Don't rush. Play each end every note as distinctly as you can.



Conceptually, a turn might look something like this.

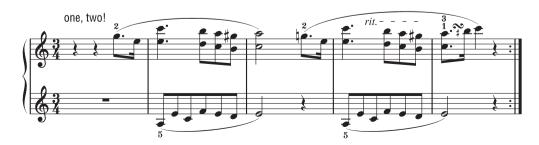
# Step 06



### **Diligent Practice Time**

Match the left-hand line to the right-hand line as closely as possible.

When both hands are playing 8th notes, synchronize the timing carefully. If you hear beautiful harmony you're getting it right!

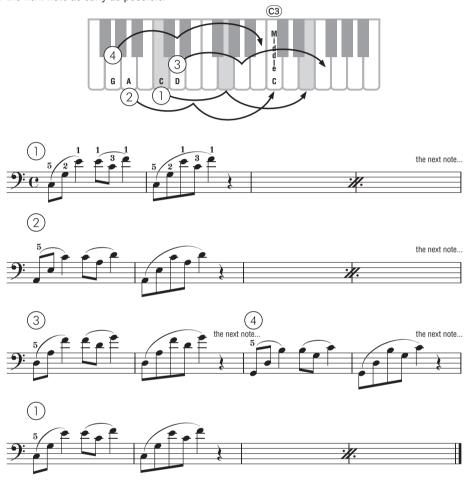




### **Special Practice - "Repeating Shapes"**

Compared to the first half, the range of notes used in the second half accompaniment is wider. The notes played by finger 5 will change, but let's make it so that the same shape repeats no matter where you start.

Prepare for the next note as early as possible.







### **Diligent Practice Time**

Keep playing smoothly during the polyphonic section.



# Step 09 Diligent Practice Time



This exercise includes grace notes, dotted rhythms, and polyphony.

Listen to the orchestra carefully, and play while singing the melody.



# Step 10 Diligent Practice Time



Synchronize both hands from the first left-hand note. The left-hand line will go smoothly if you start with your fingers spread as if to play C, G, and E all at once.



# **One More Diligent Practice Session**



The right hand phrase should be played without hesitation.

The second left-hand C-G-E-C-F should also be begun at a leisurely pace.



# Step 12 Play the Whole Song!



This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

#### Traditional

# **Amazing Grace**

#### Basic

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-	o this song is composed of only five notes: F, G, A, C, and D. talgic melody with a gentle, singing feel.			
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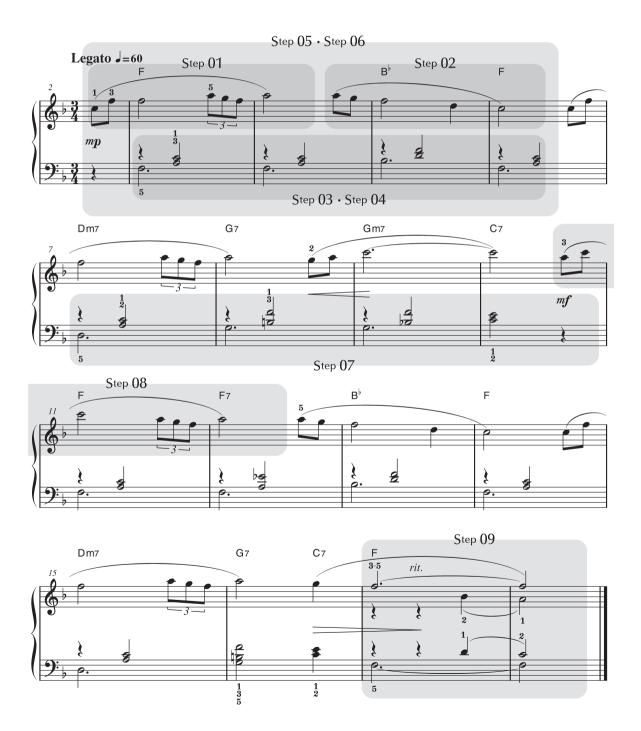
### Advanced

Song No.082					
Amazing (	Amazing Grace $\sim$ With Step Map $\sim$				
glissandos ai	tic change of mood, let's try playing this with a jazz organ sound. Grace notes and re commonly used on the jazz organ, so this is a great chance to try them out! Enjoy the the basic version.				
Step 01	Diligent Practice Time180				
Step 02	Diligent Practice Time				
Step 03	Diligent Practice Time180				
Step 04	Special Practice: Grace Notes - "Follow the Guitarist!"				
Step 05	Diligent Practice Time				
Step 06	"Shh, ta ta ta~"				
Step 07	"Triplets!"				
Step 08	"Glissandos Everywhere"				
Step 09	Play the Whole Song!				

# **Amazing Grace**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

The melody includes triplets, so stay calm and play them without rushing. The left hand holds the bass notes on the first beat. Get comfortable, relax, and start practicing!

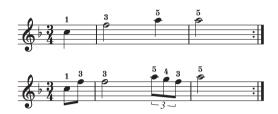






### **The Opening Melody**

Once you've learned the overall flow, try playing the melody while following the finger numbers.



# Step 02



#### **The Second Melody**

The same applies here. Grasp the overall flow then fill in the blanks.

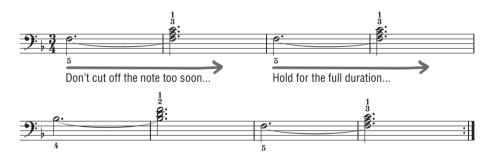


### Step 03 Warm-up Exercise - "The Chinese Princess"



It's time to warm up the left hand!

Be sure to hold the bottom bass notes for their full duration.



# Step 04 Diligent Practice Time



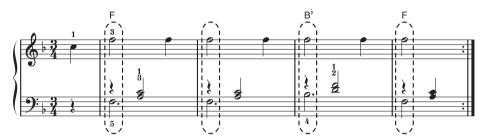
Put the warm-up exercise to use and try this. Counting "one, two, three" out loud while playing will make it easier to learn the rhythm.



# $Step\ 05$ Warm-up Exercise - "Left and Right in Sync"



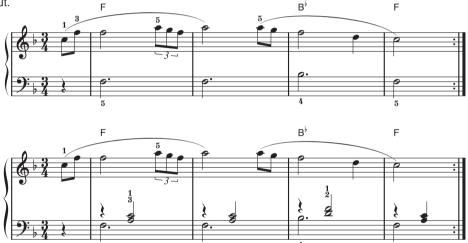
This exercise will help you to synchronize the left and right hands. First, concentrate on synchronizing the first beat in each measure.



# Step 06 Diligent Practice Time



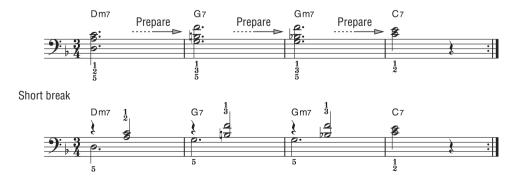
Here we'll play a left-hand bass line along with the right-hand melody. The left-hand part changes to the actual accompaniment pattern in the second half. Carefully match the timing of the notes on the first beat of each measure throughout.



# Step 07 "Before a Chord Change"



Prepare to play the next chord ahead of time.



# Step 08 Diligent Practice Time



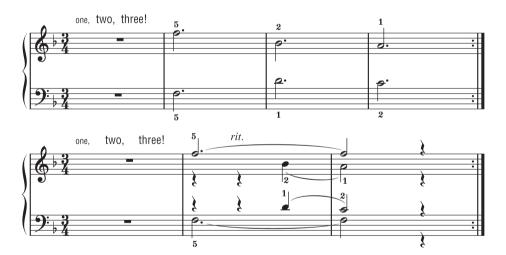
This is the last right-hand practice step. Start with the overall flow then fill in the blanks.



### Step 09 "A Serene Ending"



This is the song's ending. First check the finger numbers and the notes they play. The rhythm changes towards the end.



# $Step 10 \quad \text{Play the Whole Song!}$



This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.



# **Amazing Grace**

 $\sim$  With Step Map  $\sim$ 

The rhythm gets a bit tricky from the second chorus. Keep playing along with the accompaniment until you get a feel for it.

Practice the grace notes and glissandos until you can play them naturally.

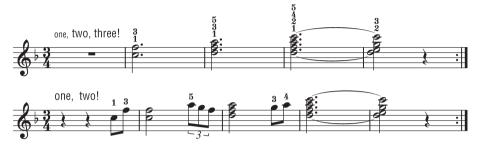




### Step 01 Diligent Practice Time



Begin with the right hand. Play while feeling the resonance of each chord and interval, and keep it up when the melody comes in the second half.



# Step 02 Diligent Practice Time



Next try out the left-hand notes.



# Step 03 Diligent Practice Time



And finally, we're ready to play with both hands. Make the chord changes in each measure as smooth and synchronized as possible.



# Step.04 Special Practice: Grace Notes - "Follow the Guitarist!"



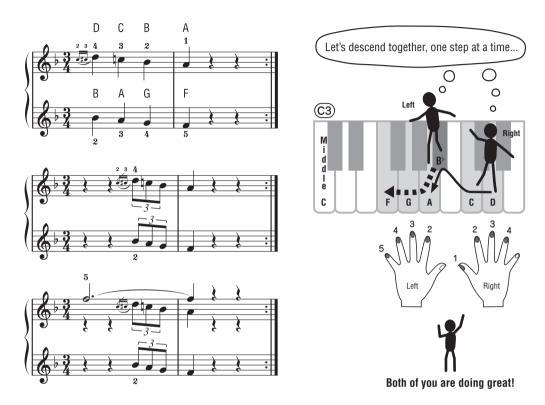
And now for some special grace note training. Copy whatever the guitarist plays.



# Step 05 Diligent Practice Time



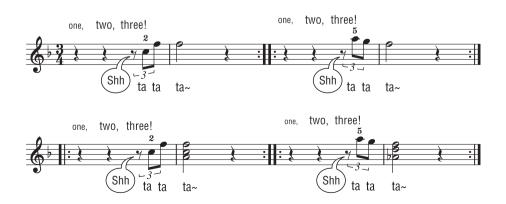
Note that the left-hand and right-hand lines move in parallel. Play so that the descent to each successive note is clear.



## Step 06 "Shh, ta ta ta~"



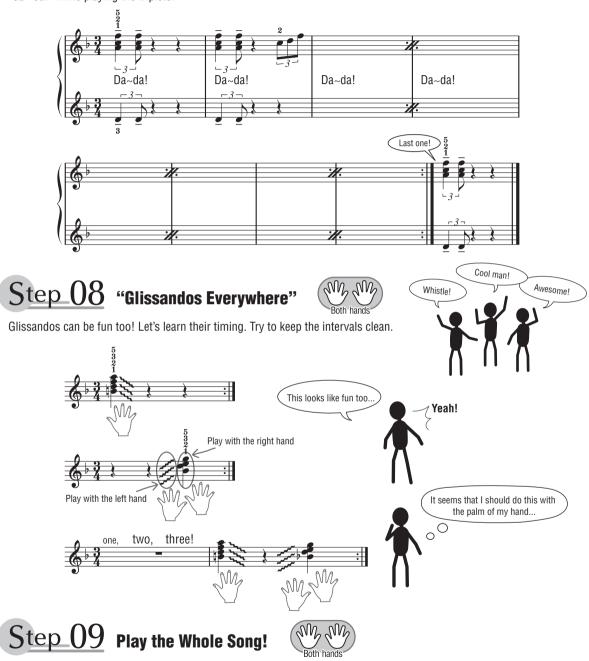
Listen for the drum cue and play "shh, ta ta ta~". Of course you won't actually play or hear "shh" (it's a rest), but you should be able to feel it.



# Step 07 "Triplets!"



Play this tightly with the band and you'll really impress the crowd. Play with a moderately heavy touch, and try saying "da~ da!" while playing the triplets.



This is the finishing step!

Don't be afraid of making mistakes. Just concentrate on playing the entire song from start to finish.

Practice this with the lessons learned in each step in mind, and gradually you'll master the whole song.

To everyone who played the Learn to Play songs,

Did you enjoy our Learn to Play section?

Learning to play... even little by little... is a great feeling, isn't it?

The Learn to Play Orchestra is always waiting for you.

Come and play with us anytime you like.

The following pages also include a number of great songs arranged so they can be played easily.

Hope you find some you like!

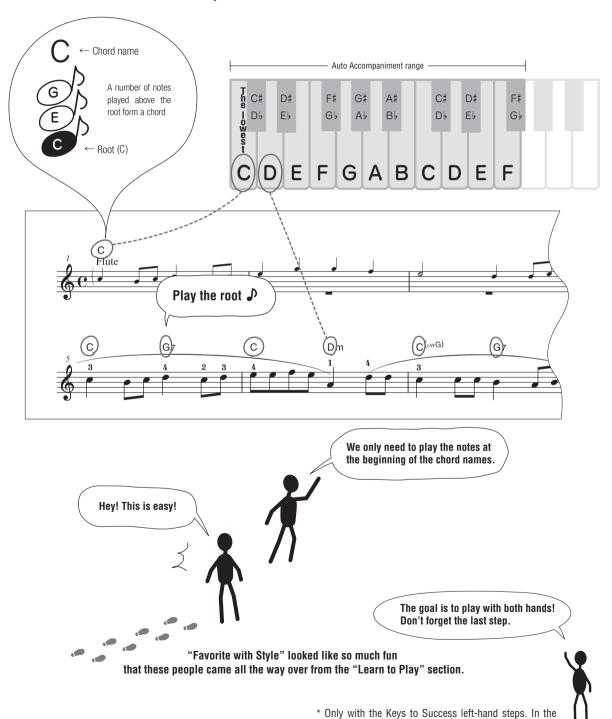
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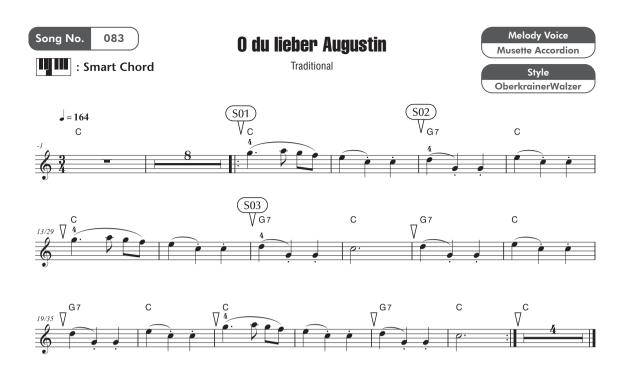
## **Favorite with Style**

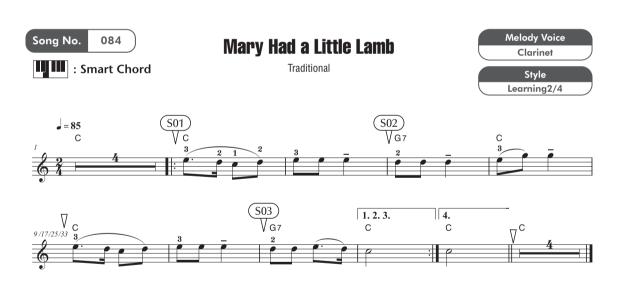
In this section we'll enjoy playing with a variety of auto accompaniment styles. When you can play the melody all the way through, try the left-hand step! All you have to do is play the root key to play along with richly orchestrated accompaniment.\*

#### $\sim$ Fun with the Left Hand Step $\sim$

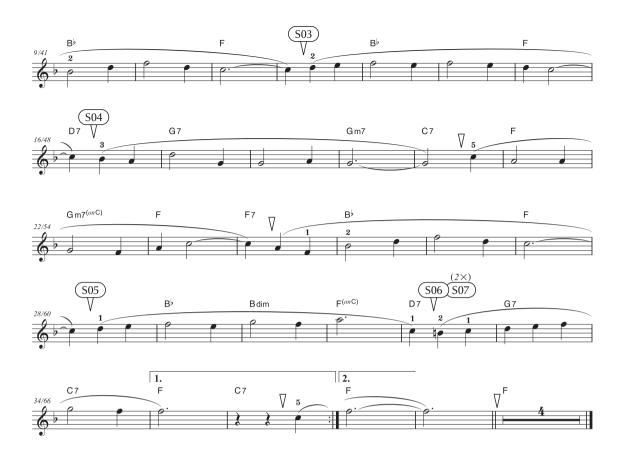


Waiting lessons you'll need to play full left-hand chords. Refer to the owner's manual for chord fingerings.



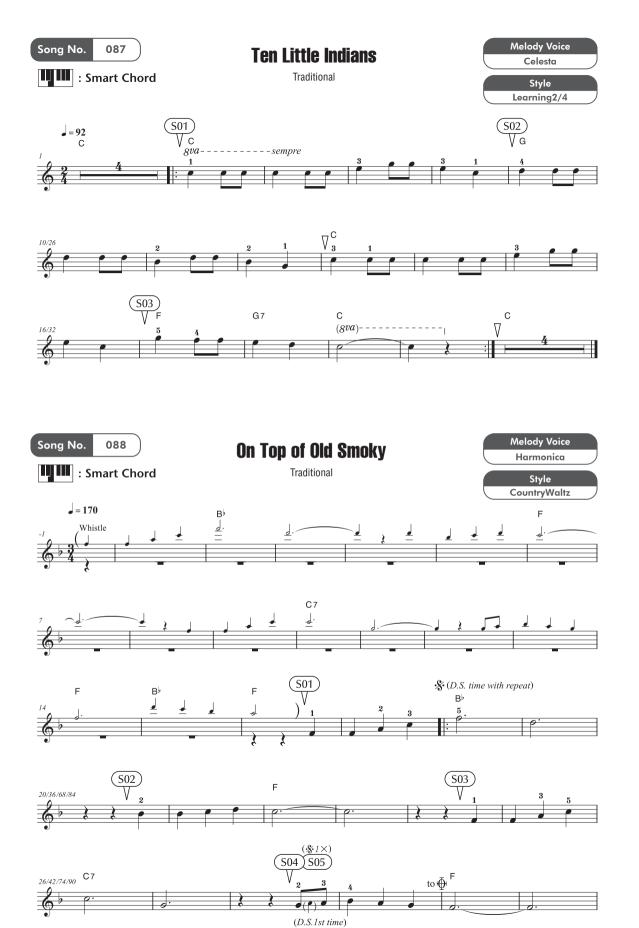








 $<sup>\</sup>star$ In Keys to Success Step 07 and Timing, Waiting lessons, begin playing with the left hand from the second chorus.



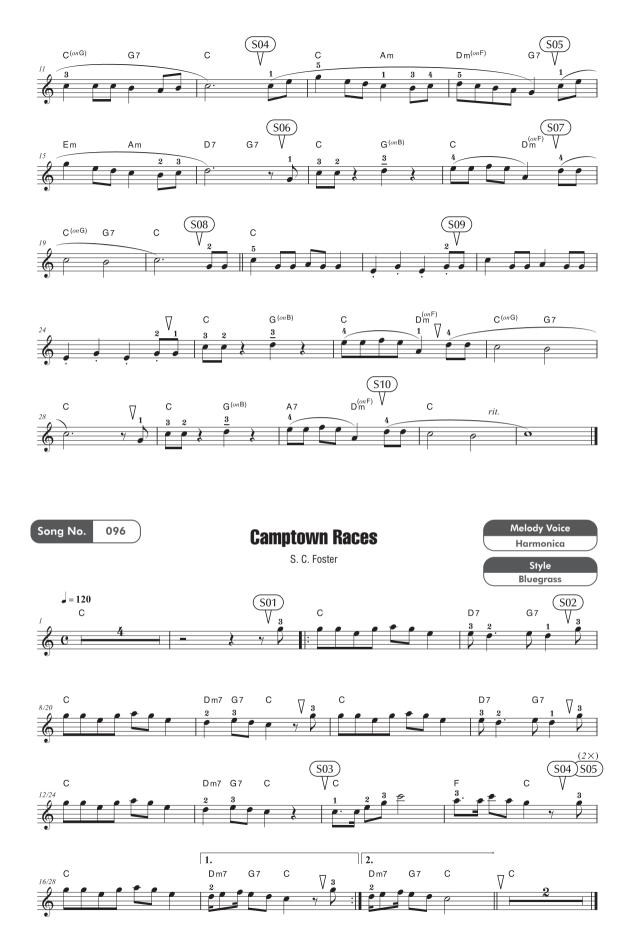












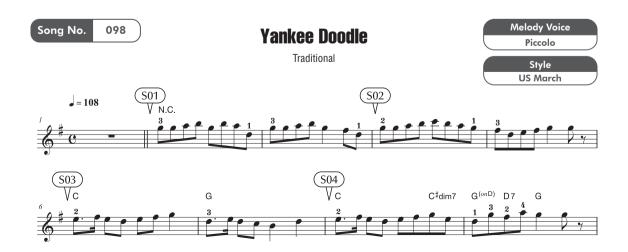
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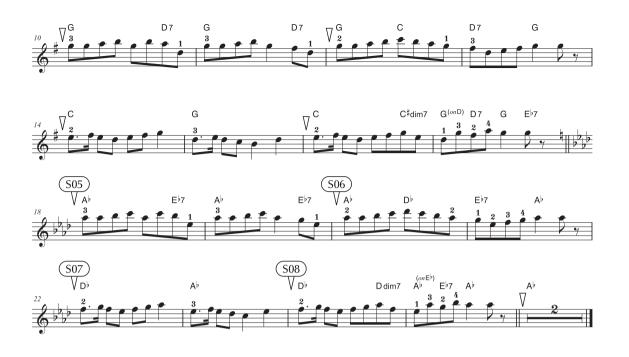
#### When the Saints Go Marching In

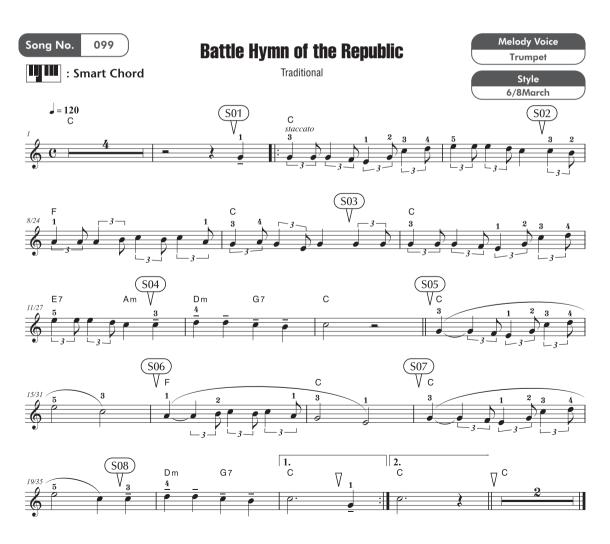
Traditional











Song No. 100

### I've Been Working on the Railroad

Traditional

Melody Voice Trumpet Style



Song No. 101

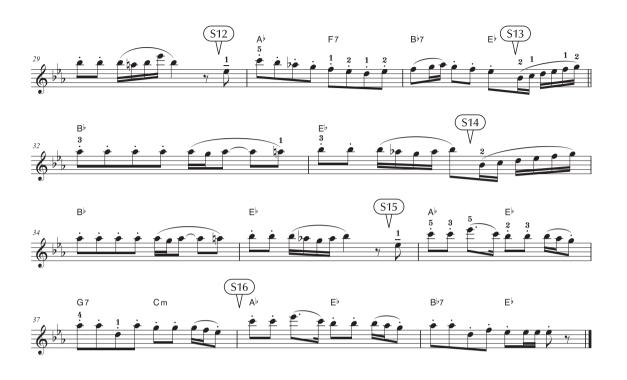
### **American Patrol**

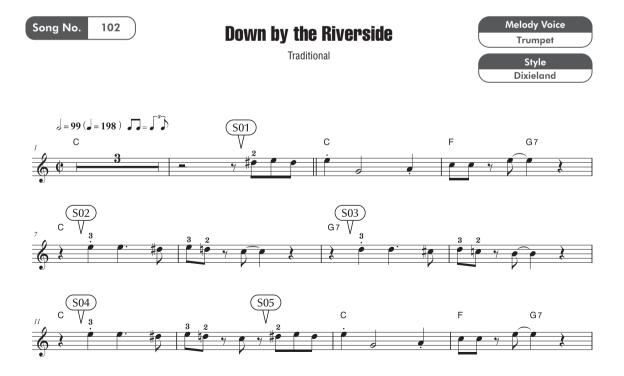
F. W. Meacham

Melody Voice Clarinet

> Style US March









### Duet

It's even more fun performing with someone else! Get together with a friend or family member and let loose. (The songs have been arranged so that it is also possible to perform them alone.)









#### We Wish You a Merry Christmas

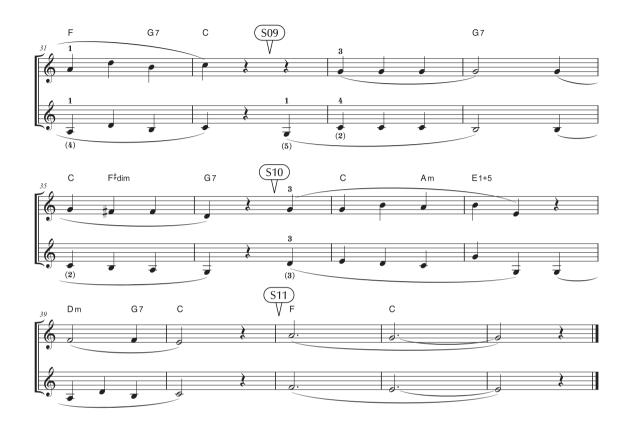
Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

Style



Traditional



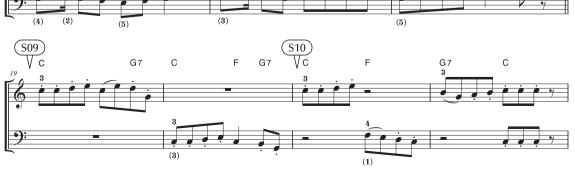


























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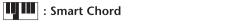




#### **Close Your Hands, Open Your Hands**

Melody Voice Live! Concert Grand Piano

J. J. Rousseau







## **Special Appendix**

#### **Rhythm & Touch Tutor**

You can practice by playing back the Songs in the "Rhythm & Touch Tutor" category.

A mark will move across the top of the display. Press the keyboard when it reaches the rightmost end.

There are three marks of different sizes depending on the touch strength. Play the keyboard at a strength appropriate to the size of mark displayed.

If only the timing is correct, "OK" is displayed; if both are correct, "Good!" is displayed. As long as your timing and touch strength are right, any key you play will be correct.

When the Song ends, the score and message will be shown.

\* To play with the same voice that is used in the performance data, select voice number "000" (Song OTS Mode).

Song No.	Title
116	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 01
117	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 02
118	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 03
119	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 04
120	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 05
121	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 06
122	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 07
123	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 08
124	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 09
125	Rhythm & Touch Tutor 10

