# Primo Theory The Spiral Series 

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## Assignment 1

(1) Fill in the missing letters to complete the music alphabet.
A B $\qquad$ D $\qquad$ F G
(2) How many letters are there in the music alphabet? $\qquad$
(3) Name the keys above the arrows. Write the letter names on the keyboard.

(4) In each illustration the arrow is pointing up or down. Circle the correct answer.



UP or DOWN
(5) A staff has (how many) $\qquad$ lines and $\qquad$ spaces.
(6) Circle all the LINE notes.


Circle all the SPACE notes.

(7) Write the LINE number for each note.

(8) Draw a whole note on the correct line or space

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| line 1 space 1 | line 3 | space 4 | line 5 | space 2 |  |

(9) Draw a line connecting the correct symbol for each term.

Draw a line connecting the correct number of beats each note gets.

(10) Some of the stems are placed on the wrong side of the note head.

Draw an $\mathbf{X}$ across the notes with incorrect stem placement.

(11) Draw a Middle C for each clef. Use whole notes.


## Ear-Training

(12) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 1 (p.18) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 1
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 2

(1) The music alphabet is going up two times. Fill in the missing letters.
A B $\qquad$
$\qquad$ E F G $\qquad$ B $\qquad$ D E $\qquad$ G
(2) Name the keys above the arrows. Write the letter names on the keyboard.

(3) Two keys are named in each group. Circle the higher key of each pair.

(4) Two keys are named in each group. Circle the lower key of each pair.

(5) Are the keys marked a step or skip apart? Circle the correct answer.


Step
or
Skip


Step
or
Skip


Step
or
Skip


Step
or
Skip
(6) The term "Step" means the same thing as a (circle one) 2nd 3rd 4th 5th The term "Skip" means the same thing as a (circle one) 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
(7) Add a stem to each note head.

(8) Name the notes.

(9) Write the number of beats per measure according to each time signature.
4
3
4

Beats per measure: $\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
(10) Write the number of beats each note or rest gets in 4 time.


## Ear-Training

(11) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 2 (p.19) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 2
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 3

(1) Label the keys that match the three letters given.
D F A

C G D

(2) Each pair of notes is a 2nd (step) or 3rd (skip) apart.

Circle the correct answer.

| $=\mathbf{O}$ | $\mathbf{O}$ | 0 | 0 | $\mathbf{O}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $=\mathbf{O n d}$ | 2nd | 2nd | 2nd | 2nd |
| 2nd | or | or | or | or |
| 3rd | 3rd | 3rd | 3rd | 3rd |

(3) Draw the note indicated for each clef.

Use whole notes.


Treble G


Bass F
(4) Name the notes.

(5) Add stems and dots to each note head.

(6) Draw the notes named in each measure. Use any line or space.

(7) Circle the correct symbol for each term.

| Flat | $b$ | \# | Forte | $f$ | $\boldsymbol{p}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Treble Clef | 6 | 万: | Bass Clef | 6 | Э: |
| Piano | $f$ | $\boldsymbol{p}$ | Sharp | $b$ | \# |
| Bar Line | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ |  | Time Signature | 3 | $\overline{\bar{\Xi}}$ |
| Double Bar Line |  |  | Whole Rest | $\overline{\bar{\Xi}}$ |  |

(8) Add bar lines where they are needed. Check the time signatures.


## Ear-Training

(9) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 3 (p.19) and complete the ear-training assignment. To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 3
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 4

(1) Draw the notes as described.

|  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| line 1 | space 1 | line 4 | space 3 |
| whole note | half note | quarter note | dotted half note |

(2) Each pair of notes is a 2nd (step) or 3rd (skip) apart.

Circle the correct answer.

(3) Circle the musical example that moves by 2nds. Draw a $\quad$ around each Treble G.

(4) Draw a circle around the group of notes that form the following pattern:

Up a 3rd, then down a 2nd.

(5) Find the correctly placed whole rest and circle it.

(6) Name the notes. Circle the Bass F.

(7) Draw a line connecting each group of notes and rests to the correct time signature.

(8) Add bar lines where they are needed. Check the time signature.

(9) Write the counts of each measure under the notes and rests.

(10) Draw a around the Sharp Sign. Draw a $\triangle$ around the Flat Sign. 3
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(11) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 4 (p.20) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 4
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 5

(1) Use the letters given to label the keys.

## C G D A E


(2) Write the letters of the music alphabet going up two times. Some letters are given.

## A

$\qquad$ ———_ B $\qquad$ $\longrightarrow$
(3) Draw the notes named. Use whole notes.

(4) Draw the notes as described.

|  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| line 4 | space 1 |  |  |
| whole note | half note | line 2 | space 4 |

(5) From each half note, draw another half note according to the description. Example:

(6) Circle the musical examples which contain the following sequence: DOWN a 3rd, UP a 2nd.

(7) Circle each group of notes and rests that add up to four counts in 4 time.

(8) Add bar lines where they are needed. Check the time signature.

(9) Write the counts of each measure under the notes and rests.


## Ear-Training

(10) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 5 (p.20) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 5
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 6

(1) The keys marked with an $\mathbf{X}$ are a 2nd (step) or 3rd (skip) apart. Circle the correct answer.


2nd or 3rd


2nd or 3rd


2nd or 3rd


2nd or 3rd
(2) Identify the key that is a 3rd below each named key. Write the letter names on the keyboard.

(3) Name the notes.

(4) Use half notes to draw the notes named.


G C $\quad \mathbf{F} \quad \mathbf{A}$


C
G D B
(5) Draw a Middle C on each staff. Use whole notes.

(6) Circle each pair of notes which are a $\mathbf{2 n d}$ (step) apart.
$\overline{0 \quad 0}$
$\bar{\sigma}$

(7) Circle the musical examples which contain the following sequence: UP a 3rd, DOWN a 2nd.

(8) Write exactly enough of each type of note to fill one measure. Check the time signature.

Whole Note


Half Note


Quarter Note

(9) Write the counts of the measure under the notes and rests.


## Ear-Training

(10) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 6 (p.21) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 6
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 7

(1) Use the letters given to label the keys.

## FBEADG


(2) Name the notes. Circle each Middle C.

(3) Draw the notes named. Use half notes.



Bass F
(4) Draw an $\mathbf{X}$ across the dotted half notes with incorrect dot placement.

(5) Circle the pairs of notes or keys which are a 2nd (step) apart.

(6) Circle each pair of notes which are a 3rd (skip) apart.

(7) Circle the musical examples which contain the following sequence:

UP a 2nd, DOWN a 3rd.

(8) Write exactly enough of each type of note to fill one measure. Check the time signature.

## Dotted Half Note



Quarter Note

(9) Add bar lines where they are needed. Check the time signature.

(10) Write the counts of each measure under the notes and rests.

(11) Draw a around the symbol for Forte. Draw a $\triangle$ around the symbol for Piano.

## $9:$ ing

(12) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 7 (p.21) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 7
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:


## Assignment 8

(1) Name the notes. Circle each Middle C.

(2) Draw the notes named. Use dotted half notes.

(3) Circle the correct symbol for each term.

Time Signature
9:


Bar Line


Bass Clef

Sharp

(4) From each half note, draw another half note according to the description. Example:


| $=$ |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $=\sigma$ | 0 |  |  | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| UP a 3rd | DOWN a 2nd | UP a 2nd | DOWN a 3rd | UP a 3rd |  |  |

(5) Circle the musical examples which contain the following sequence:

DOWN a 2nd, UP a 3rd.

(6) Add bar lines where they are needed. Check the time signature.

(7) Write the counts of each measure under the notes and rests.

(8) Complete the time signatures. Write the top number of each time signature in the box.


## Ear-Training

(9) Go to APPENDIX I, Assignment 8 (p.22) and complete the ear-training assignment.

To access the web applications, go to:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level $2 \rightarrow$ Assignment 8
Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the assignment page:

## APPENDIXI

## Ear-Training Assignments

The following assignments can be administered by the teacher, or the student can complete these assignments using the web applications provided.

Take the following route to access the menu for these web applications:
PrimoTheory.com $\rightarrow$ Spiral Series $\rightarrow$ Level 2

Or scan the QR code with a mobile device to go directly to the menu page:


## Note to Teachers

The answers to the ear-training assignments are accessible only to the purchaser of this book. Email info@primotheory.com to request the special link or PDF file.

## Assignment 1

(1) Do the tones move up or down? Circle the correct answer.

| 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| up | up | up | up | up |
| down | down | down | down | down |

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.
1.

same
different
2.

same different
3.

different
4.

same
different

## Assignment 2

(1) Do the tones move up or down? Circle the correct answer.

| 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| up | up | up | up | up |
| down | down | down | down | down |

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.
1.

same
different
2.

same
different
3.

same
different
4.

same
different

## Assignment 3

(1) Do the tones move up or down? Circle the correct answer.

| 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| up | up | up | up | up |
| down | down | down | down | down |

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.
1.

same
different
2.

different
3.

same
different
4.

same
different

## Assignment 4

(1) Do the tones move up or down? Circle the correct answer.

| 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| up | up | up | up | up |
| down | down | down | down | down |

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.


## Assignment 5

(1) You will hear three tones for each example.

Two of the notes are given. Write the missing note.
The note you are to write will step up, step down, or repeat the second note given.

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.


## Assignment 6

(1) You will hear three tones for each example.

Two of the notes are given. Write the missing note.
The missing note will step up, step down, or repeat the second note given.

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.
1.

same
different
2.

3.

4.

same
different

## Assignment 7

(1) You will hear three tones for each example.

Two of the notes are given. Write the missing note.
The missing note will step up, step down, or repeat the second note given.

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below. Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.
1.

same
different
2.

same
different
3.

same
different
4.

same
different

## Assignment 8

(1) You will hear three tones for each example.

Two of the notes are given. Write the missing note.
The missing note will step up, step down, or repeat the second note given.

(2) You will hear a series of one-measure rhythms.

Circle same if the rhythm you hear is the same as the example shown below.
Circle different if the rhythm is different than the rhythms shown below.


## APPENDIX II

Study Materials

High and Low Sounds


The 7 letters of the music alphabet
A $\quad \mathbf{B} \quad \mathbf{C} \quad \mathbf{D} \quad \mathbf{E} \quad$ F $\quad \mathbf{G}$

Think of the C D E group as a small house.


Think of the F G A B group as a big house.


A B C D E F G A B C D F G

The music alphabet given twice.

## STEPS are also called 2nds

Stepping UP on the Staff
line to space
$\overline{-\quad \quad}$
$\bar{\square}$

Stepping UP on the Keyboard


Next key to the RIGHT.

## SKIPS are also called 3rds

Skipping UP on the Staff
line to line

or
space to space


Stepping UP on the Keyboard


Two steps to the RIGHT.

Stepping DOWN on the Staff
line to space

or
space to line
$\qquad$

Stepping DOWN on the Keyboard


Next key to the LEFT.

Skipping DOWN on the Staff


Stepping DOWN on the Keyboard


Two steps to the LEFT.

There is one white key between two keys that are skipping. The skipped key is marked with an " $X$ ".


## Treble Clef

## LINE notes



## Bass Clef

LINE notes


## SPACE notes



SPACE notes


A C E G

These notes are important benchmarks for the treble and bass staff.

Middle C Treble G

Middle C Bass F

## ACCIDENTALS

Sharp signs and flat signs are called accidentals.
Sharp Sign A sharp sign before a note raises the pitch one half step.
D\#
On the keyboard, a sharped note is played on the very next key to the RIGHT.


Flat Sign $\quad b$ A flat sign before a note lowers the pitch one half step.

On the keyboard, a flatted note is played on the very next key to the LEFT.

## D

## RHYTHM

Bar lines are used to separate measures.
A double bar line is used to mark the end of a piece or section.


A time signature is placed at the beginning of a piece of music, to the right of the clef sign.


The top number shows how many beats in each measure.
The bottom number shows the note value that gets one beat.

Example:


There are four beats per measure.
The quarter note (॰) gets one beat.

| Whole Note | Dotted Half Note | Half Note | Quarter Note |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O | O. |  |  |
| 4 beats | 3 beats | 2 beats | 1 beat |
| Whole Rest |  |  |  |
| malf Rest | Quarter Rest |  |  |
| 4 beats |  | 2 beats | ? |

## APPENDIX III

## Drawing Notes

## Stem Placement

When the stem goes up, it is placed on the right side of the note head.

correct

wrong

When the stem goes down, it is placed on the left side of the note head.

correct

wrong

Memory Aid:
Replace the lowercase " $d$ " and " $p$ " in "doctor pepper" with a half notes: doctor pepper

## Stem Direction

Notes below the middle line have up stems.
Notes above the middle line have down stems.


Stems of notes on the 3rd line can go up or down.


## Stem Length

The stem should extend three more lines or spaces from the note head.
The length of the stem should equal the length of three more (invisible) noteheads:


## Checklist for Drawing Stems:

Does the stem go UP or DOWN?


Is the stem on the LEFT or RIGHT?


HOW LONG is the stem?


## PRACTICE

Add stems to the following note heads.


## Dotted Half Notes

For dotted space notes, place the dot on the same space as the note, and always to the right of the note head.


For line notes, place the dot on the next space higher than the note, regardless of stem direction.


