

Rhythm Training SHOULD Be Fun!

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What's Wrong with Random Rhythms?

1. Rhythm is rarely _____.
2. Random is not _____.
3. Random inhibits _____.
4. Random is good for _____, but that's not very _____!

Here are examples of free (random) rhythms helpful for testing (but not training) students (so use carefully): <http://www.composecreate.com/rhythm-worksheets/>

Principles of Teaching Rhythm

1. Rhythm is _____ but...
2. Rhythm has to be _____.
3. Rhythm deserves _____.
4. Rhythm needs to be _____.
5. Rhythm needs to get past the _____ stage.

Rhythm Menagerie

The first book in the comprehensive “core” series, this book covers quarters, halves, wholes, rests, eights, eight rests, and dotted quarters. Three levels per unit and each level includes single line rhythms, 2-handed rhythms for coordination, and “fun with sounds” pages!

Reproducible to use with students in your studio!

<http://www.composecreate.com/store/rhythm-menagerie/>

Rhythm Manipulations

The second book in the comprehensive “core” series, continues where Menagerie left off and features activities that are especially appealing to pre-teen and teenage students (but younger students will love it too). This book covers cut time, compound time, triplets, sixteenths, sixteenths expanded, dotted eighths, and polyrhythms. Reproducible to use with students in your studio!

<http://www.composecreate.com/store/rhythm-manipulations/>

<http://www.composecreate.com/rm2challenge/> Have your students take the challenge!

Rhythm Cup Explorations 1

This book has 4 units, Quarters/halves, Eighths, Triplets, and Sixteenths, so there is something in it for everyone! Accompaniment beats (3 tempos per page) can also be purchased

separately).

<http://youtu.be/nFtfk0bZVRM> Watch this to see a room full of students doing the pop piece!

<http://www.composecreate.com/jelly-beans-rhythm-cups/> - Fun incentive!

<http://www.composecreate.com/ways-to-get-rhythm-cups-to-explode-in-your-studio/> - The fun just keeps going and going!

<http://www.composecreate.com/store/rhythm-cup-explorations/>

Rhythm Cup Explorations 2

This second book has 5 units, Triple Meter, Dotted Quarter, Compound Meter, Eighth Syncopation, and Sixteenth Syncopation. More cup tapping techniques are included in this book but there is still something for all levels...beginning to advanced!

<http://www.composecreate.com/store/rhythm-cup-exploration-2>

Holiday Rhythm Cup Explorations

Three holiday songs (piano music included) along with three different levels of rhythms per song, so any level of student can perform this for fun or at a recital and impress everyone!

<http://www.composecreate.com/store/rhythm-cup-explorations-holiday/>



Piano Edition

Menagerie + Manipulations - CORE Curriculum

Comprehensive and carefully graded -

Reproducible!

The piano edition features activities on the introductory pages that can be played on the piano. If you use this in groups with not enough keyboards per student, the classroom edition may work well for you as you can use the classroom edition with piano students and student of any other instrument!

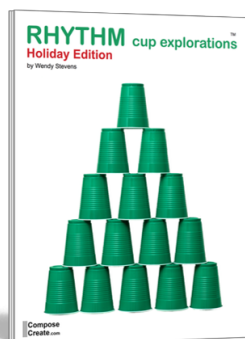


Rhythm Cup Explorations 1 and 2 -Super fun supplement! - ***Reproducible!***

Super easy, these are guaranteed fun with students. See above for contents.

There's something here for all levels of students, including adults!

Beats for book 1 also available. =====>



Holiday Rhythm Cup Explorations -

*Piano music to go along with a specific cup tapping piece. - ***Reproducible!****

Three pieces with three different levels of rhythm tapping sequences for each piece:

- We Wish You a Merry Christmas
- Deck the Hall
- Joy to the World

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