



MUSIC THEORY - LEVEL 1

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This introductory course is designed for all music students, no matter their level of performance. The class will start with the basics and create a strong foundation in Music Theory. Topics covered: clefs, intervals, rhythmic values, time signatures, and ear training. Each class will include written and aural skill training. Students will be able to actively participate during the class – using online tools and their own instruments. Printable worksheets will be provided for practice between classes as well as fun assignments that will fit into a student’s regular practice time on their instrument.

Week 1

- The staff, pitch notation, rhythmic notation, and clefs

Week 2

- The piano keyboard, chromaticism, major scales, all minor scales

Week 3

- Whole steps and half steps
- Intro to major and perfect intervals

Week 4

- Major, perfect, diminished, and augmented intervals

Week 5

- Building the triad
- Looking ahead: everyday theory with our instruments: how it makes us better musicians

Week 6

- Super TRIVIA review game for prizes