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Desk Drumming Volume 1

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Desk Drumming is perfect material for teaching musical elements in any environment: a standard music room, a regular classroom, or even on the floor. These duets can be successfully performed by just 2 players, several people on each part or an entire class split up in half.

The piece comprises of three drumming duets that range in difficulty. Each duet is composed using mainly unison patterns and call and response sections to give performers the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of musical concepts. Some key elements to have performers focus on would include dynamic control, balance, rhythmic figures and articulations. It is important to spend enough time teaching students the proper basic techniques of playing rhythms successfully, keeping a steady tempo as a duet or group, and listening to each other as they play before working on some of these more difficult concepts.

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Ryan Meeboer is a music educator who obtained his degree through the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto. As a composer, he has written and arranged many pieces for students in concert and jazz bands, and has also composed and arranged pieces for small university combos. As a performer, he has had experience in several groups, including concert and stage bands, chamber choir, vocal jazz ensemble, pop groups, acoustic duets, and the Hamilton based swing group, The Main Swing Connection.

Ryan Meeboer began studying music at the age of seven through private guitar lessons. During his years in elementary and secondary school, Ryan gained experience in several families of instruments. Focusing on music education and theory (including composition and orchestration), he attended McMaster University to achieve his honours degree in music.

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PEANUT BUTTER JELLY TIME

Vivace $\text{♩} = 144$

Musical score for measures 2 through 6. It consists of two staves: Part 1 and Part 2. Both staves are in common time (indicated by a '4'). Measure 2 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 3 and 4 continue the pattern. Measure 5 begins with a dynamic *mf*. Measure 6 ends with a dynamic *mf*.

Musical score for measures 7 through 13. Stave 1 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 8 through 12 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs. Measure 13 ends with a dynamic *mp* and a instruction "stick click". Stave 2 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 8 through 12 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs. Measure 13 ends with a dynamic *p*.

Musical score for measures 14 through 20. The text "PREVIEW ONLY" is prominently displayed across the staves. Stave 1 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 15 through 19 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs. Measure 20 ends with a dynamic *mp*. Stave 2 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 15 through 19 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs. Measure 20 ends with a dynamic *p*.

Musical score for measures 21 through 27. Stave 1 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 22 and 23 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs. Measures 24 through 27 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs.

Musical score for measures 28 through 33. Stave 1 starts with a dynamic *mf*. Measures 29 and 30 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs. Measures 31 through 33 show a repeating pattern of eighth-note pairs.

34 35 36 37 38 39 40

1
2

f

f

PIXIE STICKS

Vivace $\text{♩} = 144$
stick click

2 3 4 5

1
2

f

stick click

f

mf

p

6 7 8 > 9 10 11

1
2

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mf p — *mf*

12 13 14 15 16 17

1
2

p

mf

mf p

>

mf

18 19 20 21 22 23

1
2

f

f

Musical score for Measures 24-29. The score consists of two staves. Staff 1 (top) starts with a forte dynamic (">>). Measures 24-26 show eighth-note patterns with accents. Measure 27 has eighth-note pairs with accents. Measure 28 has eighth-note pairs with accents. Measure 29 begins with a forte dynamic (>) and ends with a forte dynamic (>). Staff 2 (bottom) starts with a forte dynamic (">>). Measures 24-26 show eighth-note patterns with accents. Measures 27-29 show eighth-note pairs with accents. Dynamics include *p*, *mf*, and >.

This image shows hand drumming notation for measures 30 through 35. The notation is organized into two staves, labeled 1 and 2, each consisting of two horizontal lines representing different drum heads. Measure 30 starts with a vertical bar on staff 1. Measures 31 and 32 show a repeating pattern of strokes on both staff 1 and staff 2. Measures 33 and 34 continue this pattern, with a small 'x' mark above staff 1 in measure 33. Measure 35 concludes the sequence. Above the staves, measure numbers 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35 are aligned with their respective measures. Below the staves, '>' symbols indicate the direction of each stroke.

DESK DUEL

Moderato ♩ = 112

stick click

Musical score for two players (1 and 2) in 4/4 time. Player 1 starts with a stick click followed by six eighth-note patterns. Player 2 follows with three eighth-note patterns, a stick click, and six eighth-note patterns. The score includes dynamics *f*, *mf*, and *p*.

Musical score for Measures 6-11. The score consists of two staves. Staff 1 (top) starts with a dynamic *p*. Staff 2 (bottom) starts with a dynamic *mf*. Measure 6: Staff 1 has eighth-note pairs on the first and second strings. Staff 2 has eighth-note pairs on the first and second strings. Measure 7: Staff 1 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Staff 2 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Measure 8: Staff 1 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Staff 2 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Measure 9: Staff 1 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Staff 2 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Measure 10: Staff 1 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Staff 2 has sixteenth-note pairs on the first string. Measure 11: Staff 1 has eighth-note pairs on the first and second strings. Staff 2 has eighth-note pairs on the first and second strings.

12 13 14 15 16 17

18 19 20 21 22 23

24 25 26 27 28 29

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30 31 32 33 34 35

36 37 > 38 > 39 40 > > >