

Music lessons

Middle School - Lesson 9 (November Week 1)

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All the instructions are given in the module on
www.musicplayonline.com.

Concepts: beat, 3 beats, dotted half note, round, harmony, play along, name notes on lines, spaces, 3/4

Objectives:

- I can read rhythms and melodies
- I can perform rhythms on instruments

Songs/Activities:


- 25 "Dona Nobis Pacem"
 - listen to note highlights
 - play rhythm band arrangement
- "Nothing but Peace" - sing, play buckets with the song

Teaching Procedure

Activity #1: Play Poison Rhythm

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This game is 3/4 meter, to help prepare students to read "Dona Nobis"



The screenshot shows a digital interface for a rhythm game. At the top right is a red hexagonal icon with a white skull and crossbones. The text reads "Rhythm Practice" and "Poison Rhythm (6 beats)". Below this is the time signature $5. \frac{3}{4}$ and a sequence of musical notes: a quarter note, a quarter note, a quarter note, a quarter note, and a quarter note. At the bottom, there is a video player interface with a play button, a progress bar, and a volume icon.

Activity #2: Listen and view the note highlights video for “Dona Nobis”

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Pause at the end of each phrase and sing back the note names.

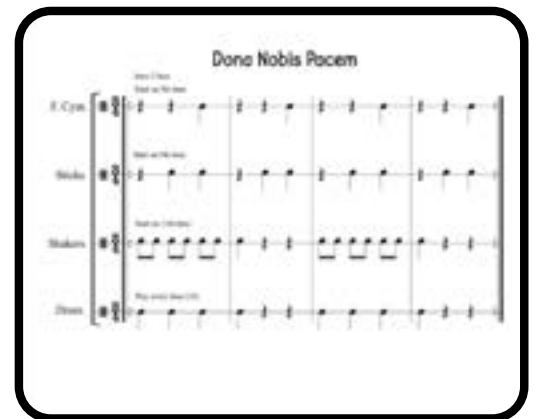
If you learn solfa at your school, continue to the end of the video practicing the solfa patterns.



Activity #3: Learn to play the rhythm band accompaniment for Dona Nobis

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Practice all parts, one at a time.



Activity #4: Play along with the song, “Dona Nobis Pacem”

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At Home: Try playing all 4 parts.

In-Person: Divide the class into 4 groups and try playing this all together.



Activity #5: Do a Rhythm Sort for part 1 of "Dona Nobis"

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Activity #6: Play on a bucket or desk with the song, "Nothing but Peace"

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Find something to use for a bucket: an ice cream or laundry bucket, a big bowl or a cardboard box.

Find something to use for sticks - a pair of wooden spoons, or pair of spoons

Learn to play part one. This is played with verse 1.
Practice this pattern until you are confident. This first pattern is tricky!
Replay the video as needed.



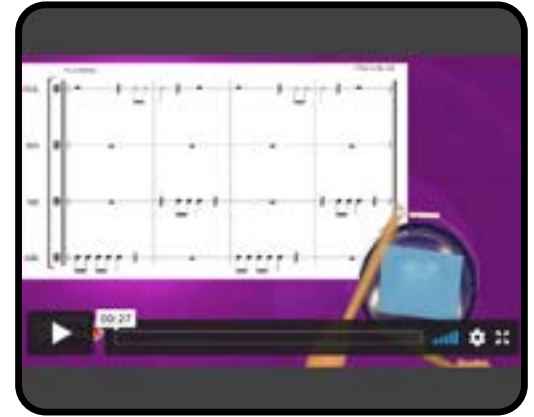
Activity #7: Learn to play part 2.

Learn to play part two. This is played with verse 2.
Practice this pattern until you are confident.
Replay the video as needed.



Activity #8: Learn to play part 3

Learn to play part three. This is played with verse 3.
Practice this pattern until you are confident.
Replay the video as needed.



Activity #9: Play buckets with the entire song, "Nothing but Peace"

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In Person: If you don't have buckets, you can drum on the desk.

click = click sticks

rim = edge of the desk

top = top of the desk

side - side of the desk



Teacher's Notes: