



let'splaymusic

Orientation Worksheet

Green Turtle Shells

1. After the voice, the piano is the best music teacher there is.
2. The skills of the second year take repeated and consistent practice.
3. Enjoy this journey with your child rather than focusing on the destination.
4. Hands should be relaxed and fingers curved.
5. Your child will need to look at the keyboard to form visual conclusions about how the keyboard is laid out.
6. In the Second Semester, we'll learn the names of all the white keys.
7. Once some visual images have been made, children need to start looking to the songbook for cues as to what to play.
8. Correct fingering is necessary for correct playing.
9. Use the correct fingers from the beginning so as not to form bad habits.
10. Practice becomes its own reward.
11. The three primary chords make up 90-95% of the music we listen to.
12. Learning chords equals learning music.
13. Sometimes, the teacher will ask the moms to play for the children.
14. Model the example by singing along on every song.
15. Never push down child's finger!
16. Adult chatter seriously inhibits the child's ability to listen to the teacher.

17. Students must practice ____5xs_____ a week.
18. Be _excited_, ____encouraging_____, & positive.
19. Determine a time each day that is a ____calm__ time to practice.
20. Learn songs on CD ____before____ coming to class.
21. Your child will spend _5_ minutes a day at first, gradually increasing to _15_ minutes.
22. The _1st_ and ____2nd_____ day after class, ____sit____ with your child and play through anything new.
23. Once you know what is supposed to be practiced, you can _listen_ & _supervise_.
24. Have a good _attitude_____, your child will imitate it.
25. You must be able to play ____everything_____ your child is playing.
26. All the words to songs, chord maps, and pretty much any questions you may have are in the _reference_ section of the student manual. 😊
27. Parent attends on lessons _1_, _5_, _9_, _13_, and _15_. Tuition is due on lessons _1_, _5_, _9_, and _13_.

Now we are ready for a smooth, rewarding year!
Thanks for all your efforts!

