



let'splaymusic

Orientation Worksheet

Red Balloons

1. Young children will assimilate the concepts introduced in class ONLY if they experience REPETITION and CONSISTENCY at home during the week.
2. Let's Play Music solves the "piano playing dilemma" by introducing complex musical concepts during the EARLY part of the music window, but does not require note reading by LETTERS or HAND COORDINATION until later.
3. Let's Play Music develops musical APTITUDE, which is the capacity to learn musical skill and knowledge. In other words, it teaches talent!
4. Children learn best by DOING. Research has shown that the more SENSES a child uses to learn, the better he will retain the knowledge.
5. Children learn concepts more easily if the concept is EXPERIENCED before it is LABELED.

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	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Semester (color) names</u>
1 st Year	<u>PREPARATION FOR KEYBOARD</u>	<u>RED BALLOONS</u> <u>BLUE BUGS</u>
2 nd Year	<u>INTRODUCTION TO KEYBOARD</u>	<u>GREEN TURTLE SHELLS</u> <u>YELLOW INDIANS</u>
3 rd Year	<u>PIANO SKILLS</u>	<u>PURPLE MAGIC</u> <u>ORANGE ROOTS</u>

7. The "Learning Circle" involves the TEACHER, the CHILD, and the PARENT.

8. Parents attend class to:
 1. SHARE EXPERIENCE WITH THEIR CHILD
 2. LEARN HOW TO PRACTICE WITH THEIR CHILD AT HOME
 3. BE AN EXAMPLE OF MUSICAL ENJOYMENT
9. In class, don't FORCE participation or REPEAT the teacher's instructions.
10. Practicing at home should be NATURAL and ONGOING.
11. Once a week, do the HOMEWORK assignment, check the weekly focus concept and complete the BELL and CD activities. Then initial the box on the theory assignment.
12. Your child can/~~cannot~~ complete the theory assignments by himself. Children will bring back completed theory assignments EACH week.
13. Make sure that you understand the PURPOSE for each activity.

Miscellaneous Information:

14. There are 15 lessons in each semester. Parents attend on ODD - numbered lessons. If a parent cannot attend, the child ~~should~~/should not come alone.
15. The tote bag is not an ACCESSORY, it is a TOOL. Please use it to keep all materials together. The materials only come to class when the PARENT does. On child-only lessons, bring only COMPLETED HOMEWORK.
16. The CLASS CALENDAR has all the answers to frequently asked questions.

Now we are ready for a smooth, rewarding year!

Thanks for all your efforts!

