

Lesson Plan: *Dolphin Don's Music School*
Read Notes – Lessons 1-5

Teaches: Identify the name of a note on the treble clef staff

Grade Level: 3-5

Objectives: Be able to identify the name of a note on the treble clef staff

Materials:

1. Computer with audio and video display that can be seen and heard by the entire class
2. *Dolphin Don's Music School* software

Procedures:

1. Select Learn Mode, then select the Hear Notes module. Make sure you are on Lesson 1.
2. Click on each of the three note names so Dolphin Don can show the notes on the staff. Cycle through the three note names two or three times.
3. Click Play Mode and ask the class the name of the note shown. Click on the consensus answer. Repeat this several times for the entire group of students, until students are able to consistently identify the three notes in Lesson 1.
4. Switch back to Learn Mode and choose Lesson 3. Click on each of the new note names so Dolphin Don can show the notes on the staff.
5. Click Play Mode and ask the class the name of the note shown. Click on the consensus answer. Repeat this several times for the entire group of students, until students are able to consistently identify the five notes in Lesson 3.
6. Switch back to Learn Mode and choose Lesson 5. Click on each of the new note names so Dolphin Don can show the notes on the staff.
7. Divide the class into two teams. Have the teams line up in two single-file lines. (Alternative: Keep the students seated and have the teacher click on the answers that they call out.)
8. Click Compete Mode to begin the game: The first person in line for Team 1 answers a question, then goes to the back of the line. The first person for Team 2 answers the next question and goes to the back of the line...
9. The software keeps track of the scores.
10. There are 10 questions for each team in each game. When these are exhausted, start another game.
11. Lessons 1 and 2 are the same, with only three notes. Lessons 3 and 4 are the same, with two additional notes. Lessons 5 and 6 are the same, with three additional notes – an entire C major scale.

Assessment: Observe each student's response to determine whether the student is able to identify the name of the note shown.

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