

Piano **suite** Classroom

Chapter 3: Lesson 15

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This lesson plan was written for use with Piano Suite Premier software, and is intended as a guideline and procedure for 1 week (6 hours) of music instruction. For specific information on Piano Suite Premier and how to purchase, please visit one of the following links:

<http://www.adventus.com/purchase/premier.html>

<http://www.adventus.com/purchase/bundle.html>

Lesson Overview

- The student will practice the following and achieve a score of “Excellent” and 85 % (or higher): “Away in a Manger” (1) (both hands), “Are You Sleeping” (2) (right hand only) as well as piano exercises: Topic 09, Page 08, Exercise 1 and 2.
- The student will read the biography in History Happens about J. S. Bach and listen to a number of his compositions in the Piano Player.
- The student will receive a score of “Very Good Work” (or higher) on the songs “My Bonnie (1)” (both hands) and “Sliding (2)” (right hand only).
- The student will review the following in Theory Thinker: Topic “Bar Lines and Note Values” page iii “Note Values” and page xix “Things to Practice”: Topic 06, Page 19, Exercise 11 using Notes and Timing
- The student will learn to play the song “You Are My Sunshine (1)” (both hands).

New Material

Songs:

- You Are My Sunshine (1) (both hands)

History Happens:

- Biography of J. S. Bach

Review Material

Songs:

- Away in a Manger (1) (both hands)
- Are You Sleeping (2) (right hand only)
- My Bonnie (1) (both hands)
- Sliding (2) (right hand only)

Piano Exercises:

- Topic 09, Page 08, Exercise 1 and 2
- Topic 06, Page 19, Exercise 11

Theory:

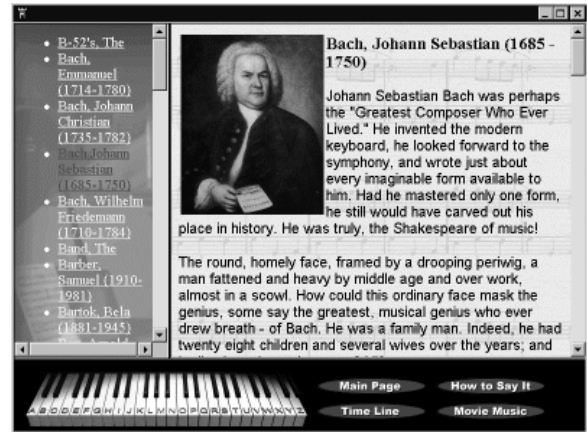
- 1-2: Bar Lines and Note Values, page iii “Note Values” and page xix “Things to Practice

Procedure

You will begin by going to the Piano Player and practicing the songs “Away in a Manger” (1) (both hands) and “Are You Sleeping” (2) (right hand only), as well as piano exercises: Topic 09, Page 08, Exercise 1 and 2 until you are able to make a score of “Excellent”.

You will now take some time to learn about a very famous composer in History Happens. Read the biography on Bach (Johann Sebastian) to discover why he is considered to possibly be the “Greatest Composer Who Ever Lived”.

You will also find a number of Bach’s compositions in the Piano Player. Listen to at least three of these pieces. Did you enjoy the melody of each piece? Which one did you like the best?



You will now return to the Piano Player and practice until you can make the score of “Very Good Work” on the songs “My Bonnie (1)” (both hands) and “Sliding (2)” (right hand only).

Review the following in the Theory Thinker: Topic “Bar Lines and Note Values”: page iii “Note Values” and page xix “Things to Practice”. Practice the following exercise on page xix: Topic 06, Page 19, Exercise 11. Using the “Notes and Timing” method, practice until you are able to score 85 % (or higher). You have a test coming up soon, so look over this material carefully! ;-)

Learn to play the following song in the Piano Player using the “Wait for Note” method: “You Are My Sunshine (1)” (both hands). Practice this song until you can receive a score of “Good Work” (or better).

You were able to make a score of “Excellent” on these songs at the beginning of the lesson. You will now practice the songs “Away in a Manger” (1) (both hands), “Are You Sleeping” (2) (right hand only) and piano exercises: Topic 09, Page 08, Exercise 1 and 2 and achieve a score of 85 % (or higher) using the “Notes and Timing” method.

Indicators of Success

- You score “Excellent” and “85 % (or higher)” on the following: “Away in a Manger” (1) (both hands), “Are You Sleeping” (2) (right hand only) and piano exercises: Topic 09, Page 08, Exercise 1 and 2.
- A score of “Very Good Work” (or better) is made while practicing the songs “My Bonnie (1)” (both hands) and “Sliding (2)” (right hand only).
- You score 85 % (or higher) on the following exercise in the Theory Topic “Bar Lines and Note Values” page xix “Things to Practice”: Topic 06, Page 19, Exercise 11.
- You achieve a score of “Good Work” (or better) on the song “You Are My Sunshine (1)” (both hands).