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Alfred's Basic Piano Course: Lesson Book - Level 3



Synopsis

This easy step-by-step method emphasizes correct playing habits and note reading through interval recognition. Lesson Book 3 introduces ""overlapping pedal""; new time signatures 3/8 and 6/8; and the primary triads in Major and Minor keys. Concepts include: passing one under two and one under three; playing major scales in contrary motion; the chromatic scale; the minor scale. For reinforcement of each principle as it is introduced, supplementary material is carefully coordinated, page for page, at each level of instruction. Coordinating supplemental books for Level 3 include: Classic Themes * Composition * Duet * Ear Training * Ensemble * Fun * Hymn * Merry Christmas * Merry Christmas Ensemble * Musical Concepts * Notespeller * Patriotic Solo * Recital * Repertoire * Sight Reading * Technic * Theory and Top Hits! Solo, Christmas and Duet Book. Songs Include: Alpine Melody * Casey Jones * A Day in Vienna * Enchanted City * Fandango * Festive March * Go Down, Moses * Goodbye, Old Paint * Greensleeves * Hunting Song * Intermezzo * Light and Blue * The Major and the Minor * Make Up Your Mind! * On Top of Old Smoky * Prelude in 18th Century Style * Raisins and Almonds * La Raspa * Roman Holiday * Scarborough Fair * Scherzo * Village Dance * Waltz Pantomime

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Customer Reviews

After taking Alfreds lessons 1 & 2, I was surprised to find many of the same songs repeated in this book. (6 out 22 or so songs were the same arrangements from previous books) Kind of disappointed about that, but Alfreds is still the best in this type of teaching so still would recommend to others.

As a piano teacher of students from beginners through HS for the past 15 years, I am a big fan of the Alfred series. The Lesson Book is a solid teaching tool, and the additional books, including Solo Book, Fun Book, Recital Book, Theory Book, Technique Book, etc. are great resources. The Lesson Books walk a student methodically through the basics, building each lesson on the last. I particularly like the approach through Book 2 and 3 of teaching the I, IV, and V7 chords, then implementing them so consistently. This is always a little confusing to students right at first, but by the middle of this Level 3 book, they have a solid grasp and are delighted to find these chords throughout all of their literature. I do find that some of the supplementary books are best started a little after the matching Lesson Book. I also find that the Christmas books in the Alfred series are much smaller (fewer songs) and have less variety than some of the other publishers, so even though I own them, I prefer other books.

I've used the Alfred's Basic Piano Course to teach my students piano for years. It guides me through teaching the music theory my students need and also progresses through the various levels at a rate that's quick enough to keep my students from getting too bored! I also use their Piano Solo books for recital pieces, etc. Excellent and challenging series for piano students of all levels- from 1A up. When you get into books 4,5, and 6, the pieces have some decent substance and provide plenty of challenge.

Alfred books are more classically oriented than some of the other methods and do not disappoint in their song selections for students. Lots of opportunities for scale work and moving around. Minimal emphasis on chords and chord progressions.

This lesson program is great. This is the only method I use to teach piano. The closest music store is 1 hr from my home. Wonderful that I can order from .com and have it delivered to my home.

My mother uses these Theory books to teach her students. I know it helps because I myself have used these books in previous lessons many years ago. Although I don't play Piano anymore, I can say that I do recall these songs like it was yesterday.

My children have been using the Alfred piano series for a little over two years now. They have enjoyed the course, and are learning from it. Alfred's presents piano in a fun way. Alfred's keeps the

interest up by introducing new concepts with fun songs, many of which my children know, or that or just fun to play or to listen to. I highly recommend the Alfred piano series.

Bought it because it was recommended by our piano teacher. It is progressively harder than the previous lesson book with the right amount of difficulty to improve piano skills.

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