

Drum Lessons

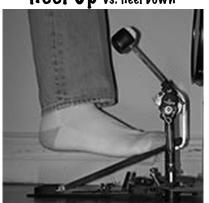
Counting.
Holding sticks.
Parts of a drum set.
Relaxing.
Steady Rhythm.
Whole, half, quarter, eighth, triplet, sixteenth notes.
Hear a beat, tap with hands and feet.
Jamming with bass and guitar.
Starting and ending together.
Crash accents.
Drum fills.
Tempo, groove, dynamics.
Percussion (cowbell, tamborine, etc.).
Practicing with favorite songs or jam tracks.
Managing equipment and comfort.
Styles: rock, funk, reggae, country, jazz, latin, etc.

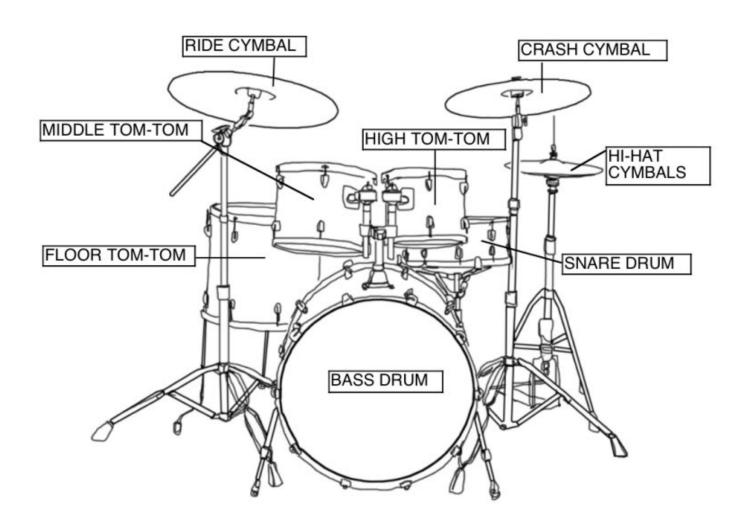


Matched vs. Traditional



Heel Up vs. Heel Down







Rhythm & Counting

Whole Note 1 2 3 4 **Half Notes** 1 2 3 4 2 **Quarter Notes** 1 4 **Eight Notes** 1 and 2 and 3 and **Triplet** 1 two-three 2 two-three 3 two-three 4 two-three

Sixteenth Notes

Whole Note:

Half Note:

Quarter Note:

Eighth Note:

Sixteenth Note:

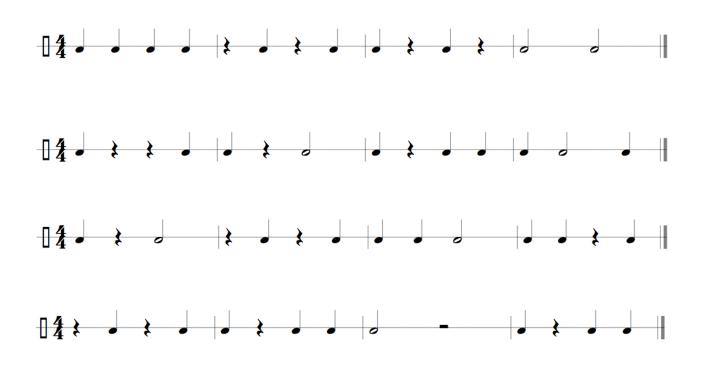
1 e-and-a 2 e-and-a 3 e-and-a

Symbols for rests





Quarter & Half Notes



Quarter, Dotted Half and Eighth notes





The Million \$ Drum Beat

1

2

3

4

Hi-Hat

Hi-Hat

Hi-Hat

Hi-Hat









KICK

SHARE

KICK

SHARE









The Essentials

- 1. Starting: "1 2 3 4" stick click at the correct tempo.
- 2. Tempo: Consistent speed from beginning to end.
- 3. Groove: Use kick drum and snare patterns that are appropriate for the song.
- 4. Crash accents: Usually on the 1st beat to announce changes in the song.
- 5. Drum fills: Usually at the end of a measure to signal a change in the song.
- 6. Right hand changes: Switch from hi-hat to ride or toms during different sections.
- 7. Ending: Slow-down drum fill (1 2 3 4) then end on 1.



Beat Builder

3 2 4 Ride Cymbal Crash Cymbal Open Hi-Hat Closed Hi-Hat Snare Drum Kick Drum 3 4 Ride Cymbal Crash Cymbal Open Hi-Hat Closed Hi-Hat Snare Drum Kick Drum 3 1 4 Ride Cymbal Crash Cymbal Open Hi-Hat Closed Hi-Hat Snare Drum Kick Drum