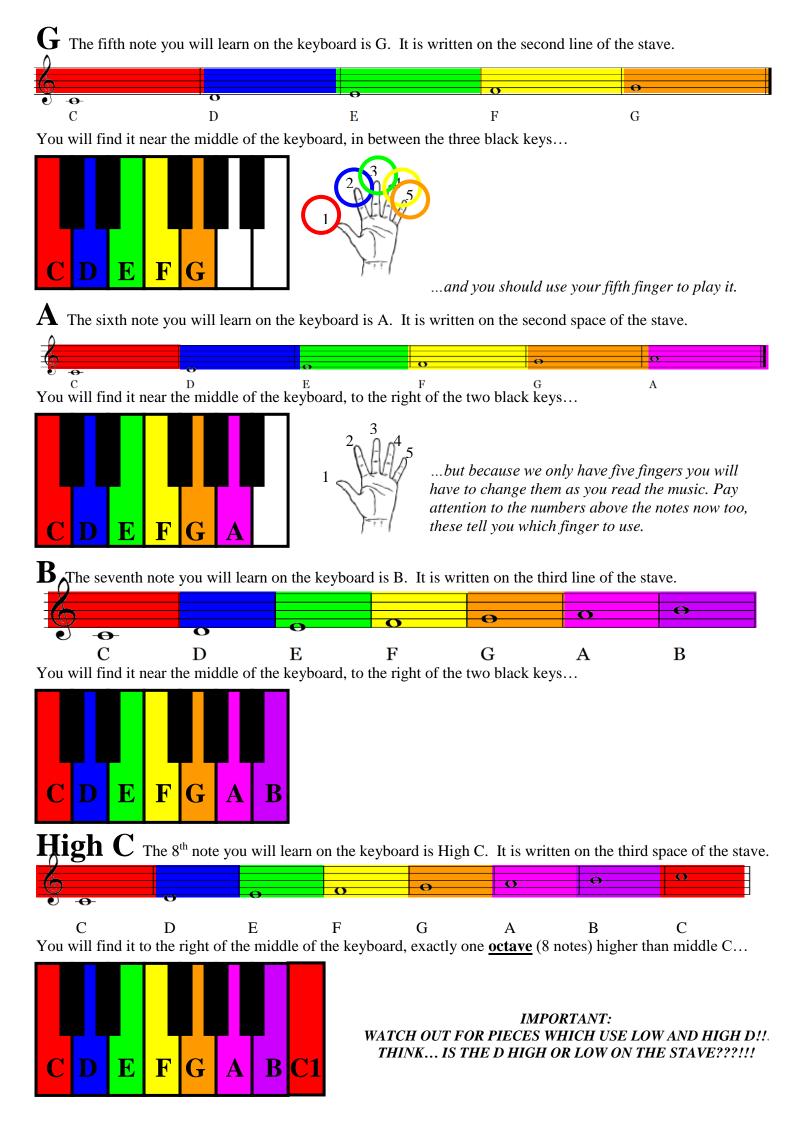
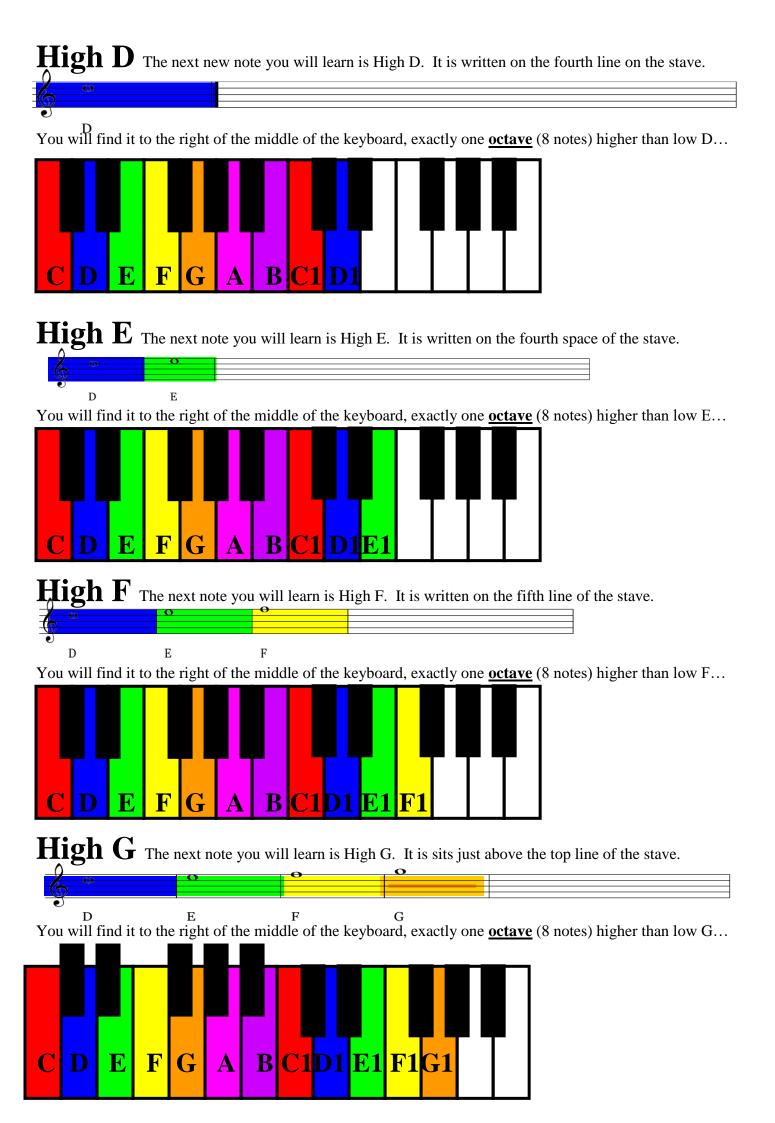
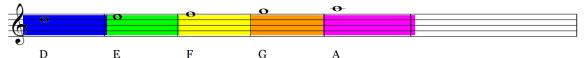
Middle C The first note you will learn on the keyboard is middle C. It is written on a small ledger line underneath the stave. You will find it in the middle of the keyboard, to the left of the two black keys... ...and you should use your right thumb to play it. The second note you will learn on the keyboard is D. It is written just beneath the bottom line on the stave. You will find it near the middle of the keyboard, in-between the two black keys... ...and you should use your index finger to play it.  ${f E}$  The third note you will learn on the keyboard is E. It is written on the bottom line of the stave. You will find it near the middle of the keyboard, to the right of the two black keys... ...and you should use your middle finger to play it. The fourth note you will learn on the keyboard is F. It is written on the bottom space of the stave. 0 D You will find it near the middle of the keyboard, to the left of the three black keys... ...and you should use your fourth finger to play it.

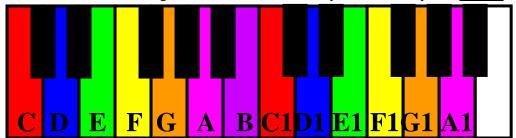




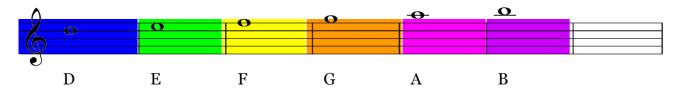
**High** A The next note you will learn is High A. It is written on a ledger line just above the stave.



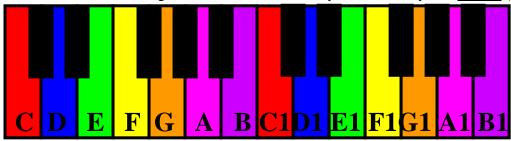
You will find it to the right of the middle of the keyboard, exactly one octave (8 notes) higher than A...



 ${f High\ B}$  The next note you will learn is High B. It is written on top of a ledger line just above the stave.



You will find it to the right of the middle of the keyboard, exactly one octave (8 notes) higher than B...



Accidentals alter the pitch of a note and often require us to play a black note on the keyboard.

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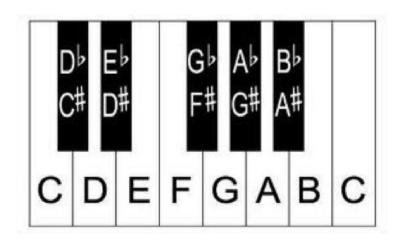
A sharp is a semi-tone higher than the original note. In most cases a sharp note is the black note to the right of the original note i.e. slightly higher in pitch.

Flat

A flat is a semi-tone lower than the original note. In most cases a flat note is the black note to the left of the original note i.e. slightly lower in pitch.

Natural

A natural sign restores a note which has previously been played sharp or flat to it's original pitch. This will always be a white key.



Look at this keyboard carefully and note that each black key has two potential note names!