

Evaluator Form

The M.A.P. piano curriculum aims to give the piano student a functional facility in reading notated hymns (for accompanying congregational singing and playing offertories), as well as playing choruses by ear or using chord charts.

It is recommended that all the following areas be completed before proceeding to a higher level:

METHOD BOOK - Exercises to be completed before evaluation.

SCALES, ARPEGGIOS and CADENCES - From memory, ascending and descending in the tempo marked. Always practice triads with the proper fingering. *See note regarding dead-weight starting in Level THREE.

SOLO WORK - Two solos per level - one performed in public and a different solo performed for evaluation. In levels FOUR and FIVE, three solos are required. *Each solo should be chosen from a different column*.

THEORY - Completed at level, correlated with Theory M.A.P. form.

WORSHIP PREP - Beginning at Level TWO, students are introduced to playing worship and Sunday School choruses from a lead sheet, starting with basic chord construction and progressing to more advanced chord forms.

SIGHT-READING - At grade level, must be 90% correct.





Measuring Progress Guidelines for Conducting Evaluations

METHOD BOOK – It is assumed that method book work (for brass, percussion, or piano) or music reading (for voice students) has been completed before an evaluation. Strategically choosing items from throughout the book (not just from the last exercises) gives the student a chance to warm up and relax before moving on to more difficult exercises.

When conducting *lower level voice evaluations*, it can be helpful to ask the student to sing a scale, preferably in *solfèggio*. This gives the evaluator a feel for their voice (to place the exercises in their best register) while the student "warms up" their ears and voice.

2. SCALES/RUDIMENTS – For instrumentalists, scales are to be performed from memory as noted for each level. Scales with fingerings for pianists and brass players are available on the Lesson Plans page and scale sheets in the M.A.P. Instructor's Helps. Scale pages are available for valved instruments in treble clef (Bb and Eb pitch) or in bass clef (concert C pitch), as well as for slide trombone in treble and bass clefs. At levels PRIMER and ONE, two tries (one false start) are permitted for scales. For Level TWO and higher, only one try is allowed.

A note for Pianists – the arpeggios required at Levels THREE and FOUR are to be performed at half the scale tempo noted, as is standard practice.

Percussionists perform directly from the respective rudiment page on the Percussion M.A.P. form.

- 3. VOICE TECHNIQUE EXERCISES The purpose of the technique exercises on the Voice M.A.P. form is to extend range facility and intonation of intervals. Tuning and register come into play as the pianist or instructor gives an initial chord or pitch. If the corps instructor includes scale and range extension in each class session, students can easily complete these requirements. The rhythm exercises increase the ability to sing or clap them back accurately. The sequence of echoing and identifying interval skips, using solfège syllables, aids music reading and pitch accuracy.
 Girls' voices continue to change through adolescence and into their twenties, so the voice range may
 - vacillate over time. Part assignments for girls (and thereby range extension) should be alternated between songs. Instructors will want to be sensitive to boys' changing voices. Be advised that boys should sing in their treble voice as long as possible. This will paradoxically increase their future lower register. Hopefully the corps has a teen class/youth chorus to which the changing voices can move into.
- **4. SOLO WORK** An **evaluation solo**, at grade level or higher, is **performed and graded at the evaluation** in a private session (with no other observers, including parents). Similar to the sight-reading grading, the performance is to be 90% correct, with additional credit made for musicality. The evaluation solo may be performed with or without accompaniment.
 - The *performance solo*, also at grade level or higher, *may not be the same solo*. The evaluator need not have heard the performance, but simply records the date and title of the performance. Possible venues include Sunday School, Worship, Community Care Ministries, concerts or other programs emphasizing the ministry aspect of our music-making. At Levels PRIMER and ONE, students may perform in a rehearsal for their public performance.

Under the M.A.P. plan, even at lower levels, students are *preparing two solos per season* (assuming completion of one level per year). To aid with this, corps need to create "recital" or "praise meeting" opportunities to allow students to complete their solo requirements. Sunday morning worship may be another available avenue of performance, especially for pianists and vocalists.

Note that *vocalists* are to use one song/solo for each level from the Recommended Solos, listed on the requirements page of the Voice M.A.P. form. Students should be guided away from items that they may know from congregational singing or recordings. Aim to select fresh material suitable to the range and color of each voice. Accompaniment is not necessary for the evaluation.

The **second** "choice" solo for vocalists is best learned from notated music, not recordings; sung with or without accompaniment; and may include classical, folk song, sacred or other suitable items for worship.

Piano solo work is purposefully geared in great part to Sunday morning worship, including learning of hymn tunes, worship choruses, doxology and offertories from Salvation Army resources.

5. THEORY – A hope of the M.A.P. Program is to make more "balanced" musicians. It is no secret that music theory comes easier for some (including lesser players). A fundamental knowledge of theory represented in the three levels of *excellence in Theory* (Kjos) constitutes a practical knowledge for future music leadership.

Completed theory work is to be presented at an evaluation. The evaluator needs to review the theory books beforehand in order to select a few strategic questions to check the student's retention of the basic concepts for each level and record on the student form. Written exit exams are available online for each theory level. The bass clef exercises are recommended, but not required at the PRIMER level. Bass clef should, however, be completed by the end of Level ONE.

Students who endeavor in various medium (i.e. voice, piano and brass) benefit from the common use of the multi-level *excellence in Theory* curriculum. Substitute theory instruction is permitted for books correlated with method book work (i.e. for pianists, using the Bastien series, or the highly recommended *Essentials of Music Theory* (Alfred), which has complementary computer instruction).

- 6. **ENSEMBLES Bandsmen and vocalists must participate in a corps ensemble** on a consistent basis to pass each level. The signature of the representative corps music leader indicates satisfactory involvement over the period of a season. In general, brass and percussion players receive individual or small group lessons, but too often do not have a youth band experience. The reverse seems to be the precedent with singers. A singing company meets as an ensemble, allowing little opportunity for personalized or small group instruction in music-reading and proper vocal technique.
- 7. **SIGHT-READING** Sight-reading needs to be common practice with our young musicians, as this reflects a reality of much Salvation Army Sunday morning music-making (i.e. sight-reading from the tune book).

Each student is asked to sight-read an eight to twelve measure excerpt from a similar-level method book or from the recommended sight-reading accessible in the Instructor's Helps. Remain within pitch and rhythm parameters a level below being tested, as noted on the respective supplemental charts. The evaluator should establish a reasonable tempo. The student is permitted a minute to study the exercise. For Levels PRIMER through TWO, the student is permitted one false start.

Try to *keep the sight-reading reasonably objective*. For example, No. 1 on page 6 in the *Yamaha Band Student Method Book* has 20 notes – representing 20 note and rhythm values, or 40 possible pitch and rhythm decisions. In order to pass the sight-reading with at least 90% accuracy, the student cannot make more than 4 errors. If the student is exceptionally musical with phrasing and dynamics, some additional inaccuracy can be made up for. The objective is to get students to "practice" their sight-reading often, individually and in ensembles, combined with a level of musicality.

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF Piano Level PRIMER

METHOD BOOK

Bastien Piano Basics Level Primer (pages 4-62)

THEORY

excellence in Theory, Book 1 (pages 2-21)

Evaluator Date Completed **Evaluator** Date Completed SCALES SIGHT-READING Scales: one octave, hands together, ascending and descending from suggested sight-reading list in Arpeggios: hands together Instructor's Helps or online J = 60 (quarter notes, memorized) NEW **FINGERING** MAJOR Title **Evaluation Score** R.H. 123454321 C to G (do-sol) L.H. 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 hands together C (C-E-G) arpeggio R.H. 13531/L.H. 53135 C to G, in contrary motion R.H. 1 2 3 4 5 4 3 2 1 L.H. 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 R.H. 1 2 3 4 5 4 3 2 1 G to D (do-sol) L.H. 5 4 3 2 1 2 3 4 5 hands together G (G-B-D) arpeggio R.H. 13531 / L.H. 53135 Date Completed **Evaluator SOLOS** Two different solos at Level PRIMER Public Solo Title Date Completed **Evaluation Solo Title** Date Completed **Recommended Level PRIMER Solos**

OFFERTORY SOLOS (Pick one)

Bastien Piano Basics - Primer Aura Lee (page 50) Scarborough Fair (page 51)

Bastien Popular Hymns - Primer Any hymn from book

CLASSICAL SOLOS (Pick one)

Bastien Piano Basics - Primer The Singing Donkey (page 55) Indian Dance (page 60) Jingle Bells (page 62)

Bastien Christmas - Primer Any hymn from book

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF Piano Level ONE

METHOD BOOK

Bastien Piano Basics Level One (pages 4-54)

God is So Good (Encore, No. 1) Wondrous Cross (Encore, No. 2)

All That You Need (Encore, No. 4)

Fairest Lord Jesus (Encore, No. 5)

Jesus Loves Me (Encore, No. 6)

THEORY

excellence in Theory, Book 1 (pages 22-41)

Evaluator	Date Completed	Evaluator	Date Completed
SC	CALES	SICHT	DEADING
Scales: one octave, hands to Arpeggio	ogether, ascending and descending s: hands together er notes, memorized)	from suggested	reading list in Helps or online
NEW MAJOR C scale and arpeggio G scale and arpeggio CHROMATIC C - G chromatic scale	REVIEW Scales and arpeggios MAJOR C to G Major G to D Major	Title	Evaluation Score
Evaluator	Date Completed		
	SO	LOS	
		solos at Level ONE	
Public Solo Title	Date Completed	Evaluation Solo Title	Date Completed
	Recommended	Level ONE Solos	
OFFERTORY SOLOS (Pick	c one)	CLASSICAL SOLOS (Pick o	one)
Bastien Piano Basics - Level One Bravery at Sea "Lightly Row" (p Swingin! Beat (pages 30-31) Morning Prelude (page 35) March (page 40)	age 19)	Bastien Piano Basics - Level One Largo "Dvorak" (page 43) Alouette (page 44) When the Saints (pages 48-49) Ode to Joy (pages 50-51)	
Angels We Have Heard on High Bastien Popular Hymns - Level O		Bastien Christmas - Level One Any song from book	

Bastien Piano Literature Volume One

Dance March

Waltz

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF Piano Level

METHOD BOOK

Bastien Piano Basics Level Two (pages 4-54)

THEORY

excellence in Theory, Book 2 (pages 5-29)

Evaluator	Date Completed	Evaluator	Date Completed
SCA	ALES	SIGHT-	-READING
Arpeggios: Cadences: I-IV-V	ether, ascending and descending hands together (V7) fo r major keys notes, memorized)		sight-reading list in Helps or online
NEW MAJOR □ C cadence □ G cadence □ F scale, arpeg & cadence	REVIEW Scales, arpeggios & cadences MAJOR C scale G scale	Title WORS	Evaluation Score HIP PREP
□ D scale, arpeg & cadence □ A scale, arpeg & cadence □ E scale, arpeg & cadence	CHROMATIC C - G chromatic scale	Play two choruses using I, IV, V, V7 chords reading from a lead sheet using block chords. See "How to Play from a Leadsheet" found in Instructor's Helps.	
		Chorus Title 1	Date Completed
Evaluator	Date Completed	Chorus Title 2	Date Completed
	SOI	LOS	
	Two different so	olos at Level TWO	
Public Solo Title	Date Completed	Evaluation Solo Title	Date Completed

OFFERTORY SOLOS (Pick one)

Bastien Piano Basics - Level Two Michael Row Your Boat Ashore (page 22)

Lavender's Blue (page 23) Kum-Ba-Ya (page 25)

Country Gardens (page 42)

Various Albumns

All For Thee (Encore, No. 17)

Break Thou the Bread of Life (SOS #75)

Count Your Blessings (SOS #147)

Jesus Loves Me (Encore, No. 1)

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing (SOS #48) O Sacred Head (Piano Offerings 1, page 5)

Princethorpe (Encore, No. 14)

When Jesus Looked O'er Galilee "Fewster"

(Encore, No. 13)

MAJOR WORKS (Pick one)

Recommended Level TWO Solos and Worship Prep Choruses

Bastien Piano Basics - Level Two

Carnival (page 9) Tarantella (page 31)

Sonata Theme (page 46)

Barcarole "Offenbach" (page 51) The Entertainer (pages 52-53)

Bastien Piano Literature Volume One

A Little Song Ecossaise in G

March in D Minuet in F

Minuet in G Minuet in g minor Soldiers' March

Quick March

WORSHIP PREP (Pick two)

Alleluia (G)

The B-I-B-L-E (C)

Deep and Wide (C)

God Is So Good (G)

Jesus Loves Me (D)

My God Is So Big (F)

This Little Light of Mine (C)

This is the Day (D)

Amazing Grace (SPTB, No. 4)

As the Deer (SOS #74)

In His Presence (SOS #13)

Teach me How to Love Thee (Encore, No. 15)

To Be Like Jesus (Encore, No. 16)

SOS = Songs of Salvation

SPTB = Simplified Piano Tune Book

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF Piano Level THREE

METHOD BOOK

Bastien Piano Basics Level Three (pages 4-54)

THEORY

excellence in Theory, Book 3 (pages 2-22)

Evaluator	Date Completed	Evaluator	Date Completed
SCA	LES	SIGHT	-READING
Scales: one octave, hands toget Arpeggios: for major keys: Cadences: I-IV-V(J = 84 (eighth no	two octaves, hands together V7) for major keys		d sight-reading list in s Helps or online
NEW MAJOR Db scale, arpeg & cadence	REVIEW Scales, arpeggios & cadences MAJOR	Title	Evaluation Score
☐ Ab scale, arpeg & cadence☐ Eb scale, arpeg & cadence☐	C, G, D, E, AF	WORSHIP PREP	
☐ d scale, arpeg & cadence ○ C - G chromatic scale Play a		Play a chorus using ma	ee back of student form). jor, minor and seventh chords , adding rhythm in bass.
		Doxology	Date Completed
Evaluator	Date Completed	Chorus Title	Date Completed
	SO	LOS	
	Two different so	los at Level THREE	
Public Solo Title	Date Completed	Evaluation Solo Title	Date Completed

OFFERTORY SOLOS (Pick one)

Bastien Piano Basics - Level Three Prelude in a minor (page 13) Jacob's Ladder (page 42) Evening Hymn (page 49)

Various Albums

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen (SOS #190) Hosanna (Musical Offerings Two, No. 1) Just Like John (Piano Offerings, Pages 8-9) Onward Christian Soldiers (Encore, No. 26) Seek Ye First (Musical Offerings One, No. 1) The Wonder of His Grace (Encore, No. 20) This Little Light (Encore, No. 9) Were You There (Piano Offerings, Page 26) When I Survey (SOS #63)

MAJOR WORKS (Pick one)

Bastien Piano Basics - Level Three The Matador (page 24)
The Can-Can "Offenbach" (page 29) The Stars and Stripes Forever (pages 32-33) Entry of the Gladiator "Fucik" (pages 36-37) Aria "Mozart" (page 51) Für Elise "Beethoven" (page 52)

Bastien Piano Literature Volumes One & Two Dona Nobir Paiem (Piano Offering, Page 6) First Loss (Volume Two) Hunting Song (Volume Two) Minuet in d minor (Volume Two) Playing Soldiers (Volume Two) Play Time (Volume Two) Sonatina in G (Volume One) The Clown (Volume Two)

The Merry Farmer (Volume One)

WORSHIP PREP (Pick two)

Be Still, for the Presence (SOS #67) Be Thou My Vision (SOS #1) Bless the Lord (SOS #3) Change My Heart, O God (SOS #136) Give Thanks (SOS #5) God Will Make a Way (SOS #7) Great is the Lord (SOS #10) Here I Am, Lord (SOS #124) Lamb of God (SOS #97) Search Me, O God (SOS #127) There Is A Redeemer (SOS #27) Worship the Lord (SOS #133)

SOS = Songs of Salvation

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF Piano Level FOUR

METHOD BOOK

Bastien Piano Basics Level Four (pages 4-49)

THEORY

excellence in Theory, Book 3 (pages 23-38)

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Evaluator	Date Completed	Evaluator		mpleted
	LES		HT-READING	
Arpeggios: for major keys: Cadences: I-IV-V(ether, ascending and descending two octaves, hands together (V7) for major keys otes, memorized)		ested sight-reading list in ctor's Helps or online	Ĺ
NEW MAJOR □ Gb scale, arpeg & cadence □ Bb scale, arpeg & cadence	REVIEW Scales, arpeggios & cadences MAJOR C, G, D, A, E	Title	 Evaluat	ion Score
☐ B scale, arpeg & cadence	o F, Eb, Ab, Db NATURAL MINOR o d HARMONIC MINOR o d MELODIC MINOR o d CHROMATIC □ C - C chromatic scale	WC	DRSHIP PREP	
NATURAL MINOR e scale, arpeg & cadence HARMONIC MINOR e scale, arpeg & cadence MELODIC MINOR e scale, arpeg & cadence CHROMATIC C - C chromatic scale (2 octaves)		Three choruses, which include suspended or seventh chords, reading from lead sheet in two keys each suing arpeggiated chords.		
		Chorus Title 1	Date Co	ompleted
		Chorus Title 2	Date Co	ompleted
Evaluator	Date Completed	Chorus Title 3	Date Co	ompleted
	SO	LOS		
	Three different s	solos at Level FOUR		
Offertory	Date Major Work	1 Date	Major Work 2 - for eval	Date
Recommer	nded Level FOUR So	los and Worshi	p Prep Choruses	
OFFERTORY SOLOS (Pick or	ne) MAJOR WORKS (Pick two) V	ORSHIP PREP (Pick three)	

Bastien Piano Basics - Level Four Romance (pages 4-5) He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (p. 41)

Various Albums

Spirit of God, Descend (M.O. Three, page 14) O How I Love Jesus (P.O. One, No. 6) Nothing But Thy Blood (SOS 104) In the Sweet By and By (SOS 175) He Giveth More Grace (Encore, No. 28) Lord of the Dance (Encore, No. 30) Hundreds and Thousands (Encore, No. 37) Then Sings My Soul (Encore, No. 39) Long, Long Ago (M.O. One, No. 8) Mid-Winter (M.O. Two, No. 5)

Wild Rider (pages 16-17) Sonatina in C (pages 24-25) New Orleans Carnival (pages 30-31) Minuet "J.C. Bach" (pages 43) Evening Serenade (pages 44-45) William Tell Overture (pages 48-49) Sonatinas Sonatina: Spindler (BPL Volume One) Sonatina: Clementi (BPL Volume Two) Sonatina in F: Beethoven (BPL Volume Two) Sonatina: Clementi (BPL Volume Three) **Bach Inventions** BPL Volume Three: 1, 4, 8 BPL Volume Four: 13, 14

Bastien Piano Basics - Level Four

Blessed Assurance (SOS #83) He Knows My Name (SOS #90) Here I Am to Worship (SOS #137) I Love You Lord (SOS #37) I'm In His Hands (SOS #126) Open The Eyes of My Heart (SOS #130) Shine Jesus Shine (SOS #56) Shout to the Lord (SOS #18) Soldiers' Hymn (SOS #156) Somebody Prayed for Me (SOS #142) The Heart of Worship (SOS #170) The Power of Your Love (SOS #144) We Want to See Jesus Lifted High (SOS #62)

M.O. = Musical Offerings / SOS = Songs of Salvation BPL = Bastien Piano Literature

BPL Volume Five: 6, 10

SOS = Songs of Salvation

REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF



METHOD BOOK

Prelude & Fugue - The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book 1

Sonatas - Schirmer's Library of Musical Classics: Beethoven Sonatas - Volume 1

THEORY

excellence in Theory, Book 3 (pages 39-40) Handouts 5-A, 5-B, 5-D, 5-E, and 5-F found in Theory Instructor's Helps and online

Evaluator	Date Completed	Evaluator	Date Completed
SCA	ALES	SIGH	IT-READING
Arpeggios: for major keys: Cadences : I-IV-V(V7) in root, 1	tether, ascending and descending: two octaves, hands together st and 2nd position for major keys notes, memorized)		ted sight-reading list in or's Helps or online
NEW Scales, arpeggios & cadences MAJOR	REVIEW Scales, arpeggios & cadences MAJOR	Title	Evaluation Score
□ Gb NATURAL MINOR	C, G, D, A, E, BF, Bb, Eb, Ab, Db	WOF	RSHIP PREP
□ f# □ c# HARMONIC MINOR □ f# □ c#	NATURAL, HARMONIC & MELODIC MINOR o a, e, b d, g, c, f	Three choruses from a lead sheet using a wide variety of chords to include fill and modulation.	
MELODIC MINOR = f# = c#	CHROMATIC • C - C chromatic scale	Chorus Title 1	Date Completed
		Chorus Title 2	Date Completed
Evaluator	Date Completed	Chorus Title 3	Date Completed
	SO	LOS	
	Three different	solos at Level FIVE	
Offertory —	Date Major Work	1 Date Ma	ajor Work 2 - for eval Date

OFFERTORY SOLOS (Pick one)

A Miracle (M.O. Two, No. 3) An Infant's Lullaby (M.O. Óne, No. 20) Draw Me Nearer (M.O. Three, page 16) Here At The Cross (M.O. Three, page 21) How Sweet the Name (M.O. Two, No. 6) I Bring My Heart to Jesus (M.O. One, No. 4) It's Me O Lord (P.O. One, page 20) Just As I Am (*M.O. One, No. 10*) Showers of Blessing (M.O. One, No. 17) Slater (M.O. One, No. 11) Songs About Jesus (M.O. One, No. 16) What A Friend (M.O. One, No. 19) When the Mists Have Rolled (M.O. Two, No. 7) Wonderful Words of Life (M.O. One, No. 9) Zulu Air (M.O. Three, page 18)

MAJOR WORKS (Pick one)

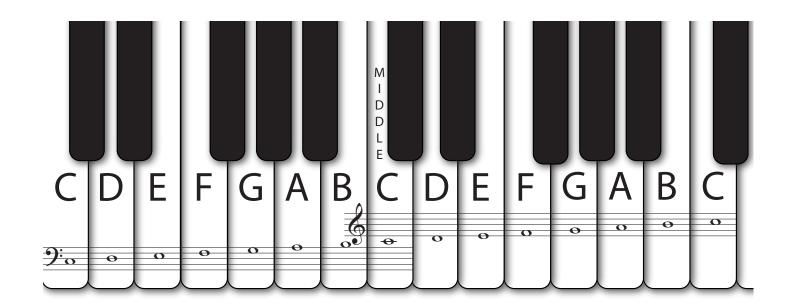
Bach - French Suite No. 6 Beethoven - Pathetique Sonata No. 8 Brahms - Sechs Klavierstucke Op. 118 (choose 4 of 6) Gershwin - 3 Preludes Haydn - Sonata in D Major No. 37

Recommended Level FIVE Solos and Worship Prep Choruses

Mozart - 12 Variations "Ah, vous dirai-je, maman" KV265

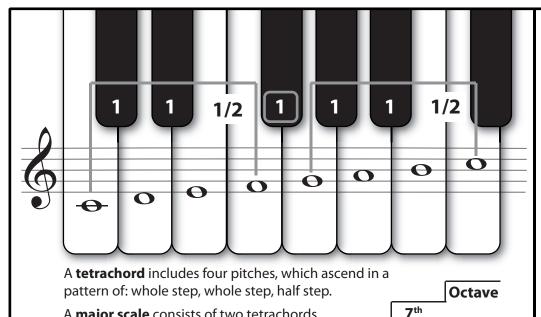
WORSHIP PREP (Pick three)

All That I Am (SOS #117) Holy Ground (SOS #166) How Great Is Our God (SOS #12) In Christ Alone (SOS #41) I Surrender (SOS #125) Knowing You (SOS #43) Nothing But Thy Blood (SOS #104) Such Love (SOS #51) The Potter's Hand (SOS #71) There Is None Like You (SOS #60) Total Praise (SOS #21) When I Look Into Your Holiness (SOS #73) Worthy Is the Lamb (SOS #66)



DOXOLOGY in G





A **major scale** consists of two tetrachords joined by a whole step. The scale is named by its first note and the letters follow in order.

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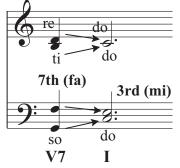
2nd
Unison

The distance between two pitches is called an **interval**. To identify the interval, count from the lower note (as 1, using both lines and spaces) up to and including the top note.

6th

Resolution of the V⁷ (Dominant 7th)

so resolves to do
ti to do
re to do
fa to mi



ORDER of SHARPS



ORDER of FLATS

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