

A GRAND ADVENTURE PERFORMANCE NOTES

NAME	Benefit to student	Benefit to teacher	Purpose for writing	Challenges	Relevance for 2015
A Grand Adventure	LH Melody Punctuated RH 3 Note Chord Accompaniment	Easy 4/4 read 5 Finger positions	Pop & rhythmic LH Bass melody	Speed Syncopated rhythm LH movement	Bass Guitar Melodic line & chords = pop fun!
Firefly's Waltz	5 Finger position LH Block 5ths	Pedal Repeated melody over varied accompaniment	5 Finger position	RH phrasing (staccato = flicker of firefly)	Simple melody over block accompaniment
Runway Rock	Bass Guitar Rock melody Rock quarter note rhythm	Pattern & sequence Good for boy Ties/Syncopation	Bass Guitar melodic line as heard on recording	Ties & polished speed Shared RH & LH melody	Rock N Roll
Hummingbird	5 Finger pattern Delicate Sequences	Study piece Patterned LH staggered entry	5 Finger exercise	Change of register	Fun & finger work
Buzzing Bees	Black key exercise Staccato Command of keyboard	Read sharps with ease	Learn pattern of black keys	Change of register	Fun to play Command of keyboard
Flying Under the Radar	Cool driving quarter note baseline Blues scale	Shared RH & LH melody	Rock Blues	RH read treble and bass clefs	Driving rock/blues
Out of This World	Simple to read & play 6/8 time Duple pulse RH block 5ths	Good way to teach 6/8 time Cantabile RH	Dreamy with pedal 6/8 time	RH read both in bass & treble clefs	Dreamy jazz
Penguin's Plight	6/8 time Consistent LH in block 5th	Teaches Major/ Minor 6/8 time Duple pulse	March-like Amusing theme including words	Change of register RH reads treble & bass clefs	Fun with words Major/Minor
Where Dreams Take Flight	Soft rock LH rhythm Singing RH melody Crossed hands	Singing melody Syncopated LH easy to read Pedal	Rhythm ballad Minor key	Rhythm Tied notes Register Crossed hands	Jazz ballad Soft rock rhythm
Big Blue Sky	Introduction like the radio Happy! Crossed hands	Sequences Tied notes LH broken 5ths	Completely Happy Pop piece!	Melody ticks along when played at correct speed Crossed hands	LH & RH rhythms together produce syncopation
GENERAL BOOK	"IN FLIGHT"	Rhythms/Ties with catchy tunes & popular sound			Classical piano solos in style of Pop, Blues, Rock