

Getting Started...

A quick introduction to your Practice Planner
(excerpt)

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Things to remember from your *last* lesson...

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It's like a highlights reel from a sporting telecast—your whole lesson shrunk down into easy-to-remember points. What **happened**, a “How ready were you for your lesson?” **rating** from your teacher, what your **parents** need to know, and **reminders** about events that are coming up...

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Issues from last lesson... / /

How ready I thought you were for the lesson
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You can download your **Practice Strategy Sheets** from the Practice Revolution Online: www.practicerevolution.com

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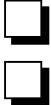
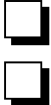
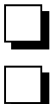
What to get ready for your *next* lesson...

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Your to-do list. **What** you need to get done, **how** to do it, “lesson ready” **ratings** you can give yourself to *prove* that you’ve covered everything properly.

This page will also list any **Practice Strategy sheets** your teacher recommends, which you can download from www.practicerevolution.com

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To be ready for next lesson...	To PLAN this week of practice, turn to p 54
<p>① Please prepare this:</p>	<p>Recommended practice strategy sheets.</p> 
<p>How ready is this for the lesson? ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦ ⑧ ⑨ ⑩</p>	
<p>② And this:</p>	<p>Recommended practice strategy sheets.</p> 
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<p>③ And I'd love to hear this too:</p>	<p>Recommended practice strategy sheets.</p> 
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Issues from last lesson

This is a summary of **what happened** in your lesson – the good things, the not so good things, and the **key points** that you need to remember.

But this box is not just about **history**. Chances are, these issues from last week will be the **first thing** your teacher will be checking for next week too. So if you're serious about being ready for next lesson, you should start by **checking "Issues from last lesson..." first**.

An example is below:

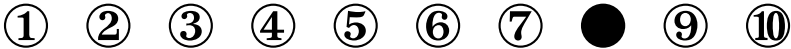
- Don't forget to **BREATHE** between phrases - especially when the tempo heats up.
- Scales were much improved this week! Bravo. Watch out for the Eb in Ab Major though.
- Posture! If you look tired, your playing will sound tired too.

In depth guide: Your Lesson Diary

How ready I thought you were...

After every lesson, your teacher can use this to give you a **rating out of ten**—not for how well you played, but for **how prepared** for the lesson you were. A score of 10 means that you obviously practiced well, and that everything asked for was ready. Zero would mean *nothing* was ready. You'll usually end up with somewhere in between, but 10 **should be possible** every time.

How ready I thought you were for your lesson



Notes home...

This section will contain any **notes** from your teacher **to your parents**. Concert reminders, fee notices, “please don’t park on the neighbor’s lawn”, music to purchase...your parents should **check here** every week, just in case.

I will be away on
September 28 - I'll call to
organize a makeup lesson.

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Coming up...

Don't be fooled by the small size of this box—it's there to make sure that **deadlines** don't sneak up and ambush you, and is one of the **most important tools** you have. Workshops, performances, exams, auditions... you'll always have a glimpse at **what's coming**, and **how far away** it is.

School talent night

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Days to go

Guild Auditions

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Days to go

Please prepare this...

You can't get ready for next lesson if you don't know what your teacher is expecting you to work on. These boxes will contain **details** about what you need to do this week, so you can **plan** your practice, and then **get the job done**.

There are three such boxes for each week, two are shown below.

① Please prepare this:

Page 4 of the new study. With the metronome at 80bpm, no interruptions 😊

② And this:

C,G,D,A and E Major scales. All from memory, two octaves.

Recommended Practice Strategies

Recommended
Practice Strategy
Sheets

The Practice Revolution website contains plenty of indexed **practice strategies**, all designed to help you find the right tool for the right job, and get your work done sooner.

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Rather than have you wading through all the ideas for the right one, your teacher can recommend the **index number** of a particular technique that can help you get the job done well and quickly.

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Simply go to **www.practicerevolution.com** and type in the number that your teacher has written in your book. This will take you straight to the recommended practice strategy - **print it out**, and you're well on the way to getting the job done much sooner than you might have otherwise.

How ready is this for the lesson?

Fill this in on the day of your **next lesson** – it's your chance to tell your teacher **how good** your **preparation** has been. 10 means that you know it's going to be everything your teacher hoped for. Zero means you haven't touched it.

But if you've been practicing smart, and using the techniques your teacher recommended, you should be able to give yourself high scores **every time**.

How ready is this for the lesson? ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦ ⑧ ● ⑩