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Introductory Tasks

Go through each task and check them off as you accomplish them.

Questions? Please bring them to class. Chances are others will have them, too!

These tasks are designed for the computer version of SmartMusic (which anyone is able to use for this tutorial). If you are using the iPad version, do your best to go through them as well.

If you get lost, Mr. Jow is happy to help you!

Task Set A - Getting Started:

Task	Check when done
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get a parent to help you with the registration/create account process. (Parents: Please sit with and help your student get started and begin using SmartMusic)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Note: You will log in to complete playing tasks at home	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Download the software at smartmusic.com and install	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Create account: Enter the email address from which you will use to log on to SmartMusic. This email address will also receive email reminders about assignments that are given/due. If you had an account from last year, use this same email address and password to log in. You will use your new activation code to reactivate your account.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If prompted, enter the requested information on the Login Information page. Be sure to write down your email and password in case you forget it! Continue to the next page.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If prompted, enter the requested information on the Contact Information page. Continue to the next page.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If necessary, you should now be on the "Choose Your School" page. Scroll down and select "Redwood Middle School" in "Saratoga, CA" as your school. Click the "CREATE" button.	<input type="checkbox"/>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Submit the remaining required information. ○ Be sure that your student info has your full legal first name (the one that appears in PowerSchool) and last name. If you go by a nickname, type it in parentheses next to your legal name. Example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First name: Leonard (Leo) ▪ Last name: Bernstein 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Enroll in a class! ○ When enrolling in the correct class, be sure you find the one that applies to you! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GB6 = Griffin Band 6th graders (and non-marching 7th graders) • GB7 = A period Griffin Band 7th graders (the ones who are also in marching band) • GBB = Griffin Band beginnings → BE CAREFUL! If you enroll in the incorrect class, you will be unable to disenroll yourself. Please take care to select the correct class. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you have a school USB Mic: These are Redwood property! If yours is lost or damaged, a \$35 replacement fee to SMB will be due. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Find your computer's USB port, plug in your microphone. ○ Your computer speakers should be turned up high enough for you to hear the accompaniment tracks, but not so loudly that your microphone picks up the accompaniment track instead of your own sound. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on the "Settings" tab in the left-hand column. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Observe the different options that you can adjust. ○ Make sure that your Microphone is set to "SmartMusic USB Microphone." ○ Select the "Assessment" Settings bar. ○ If it is not already correct, set "Default Instrument" as YOUR instrument. ○ Percussion: Select "I am using a practice pad" if that is your primary practice instrument at home. You may need to do some adjustment to ensure that your microphone can hear your practice pad over your speakers (headphones probably work better for this). 	<input type="checkbox"/>

Task Set B - Metronome & Tuner:

Task	Check when done
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click on "Practice tools" on the bottom of the left-hand menu column. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Toggle buttons and settings to use the metronome and tuner. ○ Experiment with these tools until you feel comfortable using them. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Go to "Help" menu at the top of the screen. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Select "Mic check" and follow steps outlined to attach, set, and calibrate your microphone. 	<input type="checkbox"/>

○ Note: Be sure to calibrate your mic every time you use SmartMusic!	
○ Select "Tuner" and "Metronome" from the "Help" menu (YES!...this is another way to get to these tools) and observe how it pulls up a new window. To close these windows, select "Done."	<input type="checkbox"/>

Task Set C - Downloading Music; First Notes with SmartMusic:

Task	Check when done
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click on the "Find Music" tab in the left-hand column. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Click on the "Exercises" category. Download the "Scales" exercises by clicking on the image preview. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After downloading each set of exercises, a new window will open up with the first exercise. Play around with the functions at the top of the screen ("Start Take" will start a count-off and begin the exercise. Note that you can also change your instrument, change the exercise, adjust tempo, listen to previous takes, select different tracks for the computer to play, etc.)...have fun! If you'd rather get to some book exercises, continue on to the next step. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To return to the previous screen, select "Done" in the upper right corner of the program. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do the same review and experimentation for some "Rhythms" exercises. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do the same review and experimentation for some "Sight-Reading." 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: Within each exercise you can toggle the metronome slower/faster. This can be done by dragging the bar left and right, or by entering numbers yourself to designate BPM (beats per minute). Try it out! 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: You can turn on and off the green cursor by selecting "View" in the menu at the top of the screen. See which option you like more! 	<input type="checkbox"/>

Task Set D – Let’s Submit Some Assignments:

Task	Check when done
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Notice that you already have some assignments for your online band class. Click directly on the assignment to load it. If you toggle any settings on the assignment, it may not let you submit until you reset the settings. However, toggling these settings will aid you in your practice! Use them to your advantage!<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Don’t forget to press the “SUBMIT” button to make sure that your work is entered into the online gradebook!	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete your first set of playing assignments. When you have done so, check off this final box!	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Keep playing around with and exploring the features of your new software.
Let us know if you have any questions back at school!**

***Turn in this completed packet to the Jow Box for 25 points!
Due by Friday, October 3.***