



Guitar Virtual Learning

8th Grade Guitar

Music Literacy Review

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Lesson: 5/8/2020

Objective/Learning Target:

Key Signature Application and Wrap Up



Warm Up Activity:

What are key signatures used for?

What are clefs used for?



Warm Up Activity Answers:

Identifying the note a song is based around and identifying the notes that are automatically sharp/flat

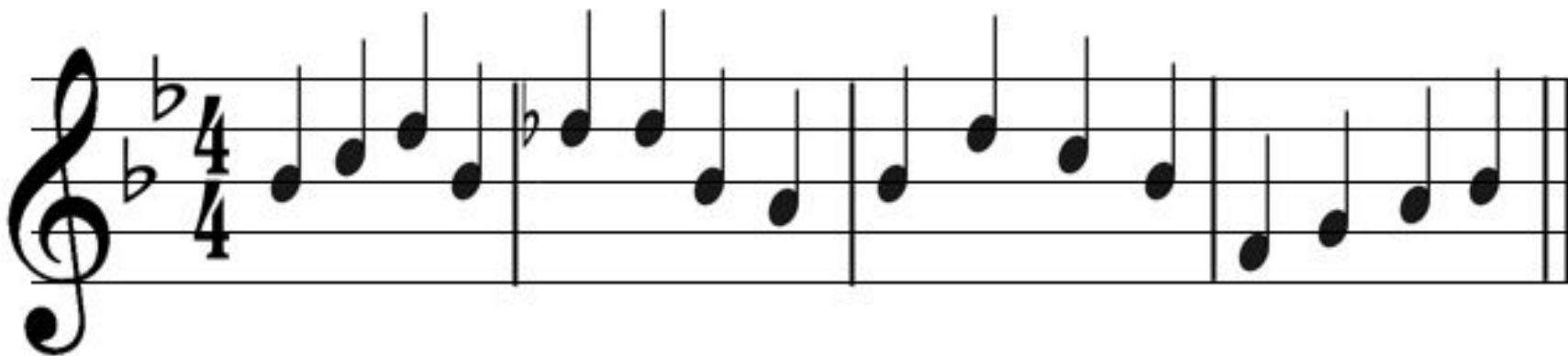
Clefs are used to quickly identify a the letter names on a staff and change based on the range of the notes/instrument



Key Signatures in Practice

Now that you know how to use key signatures, it's time to see them in action. As you just identified in the previous slide, Key Signatures tell you which key a song is in, that is to say what note the key is based on, and which notes are sharp or flat automatically.

Answers:



Key B^b

B^b C D B^b Db Db B^b A B^b D C B^b F G A B^b



Let's do a quick review of reading tablature

E-----
B-----
G-----
D-----
A-----
E-----2-----2-----4-----4-----5-----5-----6-----



What does each line represent?

What does each number represent?

What's the saying we use to remember the string names?



Each line represents a string going from lowest pitch to highest pitch

Each number represents a fret on the fretboard

Eddie Ate Dynamite Good Bye Eddie



Once you have mastered these skills, you are on track for learning how to read music! Understanding how pitches relate to each other in a given segment, as well as how the key signature interacts with the notes in a song. If you feel this is still confusing challenging, keep at it and keep practicing!



Please use the website below to do some extra practice. This time, let's try something more challenging. Go to musictheory.net and select Exercises > Key Signature Construction (it's in the red section instead of the blue). Once you designate all keys in the settings, you should be able to proceed. Instead of giving you the key signature, the site will give you the key and you have to identify the correct number of sharps or flats

[Music Theory-Key Signature Practice](http://musictheory.net)



Extra Practice:

Teoria is another good site for extra practice. It's pretty comprehensive, and offers in depth knowledge into many music theory topics. The reading music section is helpful for this topic, but there are many other topics to explore.

[Teoria Theory Practice](#)