

Every Good Boy Does Fine

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LIVELY ROCK (♩=134)

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DRUMS SET-UP

The piano introduction is in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of two staves: a treble staff with chords and a bass staff with a simple bass line. The chords are D major, A major, and G major, repeated twice. The bass line starts with a half note D, followed by quarter notes F# and A, and then half notes G and F#.

5 *f* SPEAK MNEMONICS 2ND TIME*

Eve-ry good boy does fine. Eve-ry good boy does

The first line of the song features a vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal melody is in the treble staff, starting with a half note D, followed by quarter notes F# and A, and then half notes G and F#. The piano accompaniment is in the bass staff, starting with a half note D, followed by quarter notes F# and A, and then half notes G and F#. The piano part includes chords D, A, and G.

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The second line of the song continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The vocal melody is in the treble staff, starting with a half note D, followed by quarter notes F# and A, and then half notes G and F#. The piano accompaniment is in the bass staff, starting with a half note D, followed by quarter notes F# and A, and then half notes G and F#. The piano part includes chords G, D, and A.

* SEE LYRIC PAGE FOR SUGGESTED MNEMONICS.

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(13)

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(17)

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SING BOTH TIMES

lines of the tre - ble clef. This is why—

(21)

we muse— and mne - mo - nics use.— Can you think—

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(25)

of some that you'd like to use?

Bb(ADD 9) *G*

(29)

(33)

E - G - B - D - F E - G - B - D - F E - G - B - D -

E-G-B-D-F E-G-B-D-F

D A G D A G D A

mf RIT.

F These are the notes on the lines of the tre - ble clef.

mf RIT.

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G D A G A D

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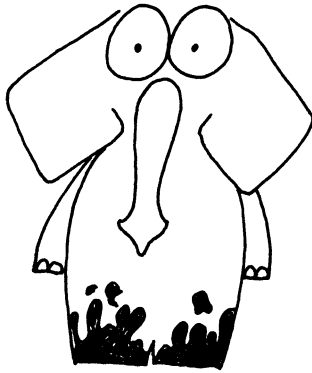
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The notes on the lines read, "Every good boy does fine."

E-G-B-D-F

E-G-B-D-F

These are the notes on the lines of the treble clef.

This is why we muse and mnemonics use. Can you think of some that you'd like to use?



spoken solos:

(solo 1) Every Good Burger Deserves Fries

(solo 2) Elvis' Guitar Broke Down Friday

(solo 3) Elephants Got Big Dirty Feet

(solo 4) Enthusiastic Gorillas Bowl Double Frames

(solo 5) Every Great Blacksmith Dons Flannel

(solo 6) Every Great Butler Dusts Furniture

(solo 7) Extra Gracious Bikers Definitely Floss

(solo 8) Exterminate Giant Bugs, Don't Flinch

(solo 9) Empty Garbage Before Dad Flips

sing:

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Can you think of some that you'd like to use?

part 1: E-G-B-D-F (part 2: E-G-B-D-F)

E-G-B-D-F (part 2: E-G-B-D-F)

E-G-B-D-F (part 2: E-G-B-D-F)

parts 1 & 2: These are the notes on the lines of the treble clef.

Notes for Every Good Boy Does Fine

Mnemonic (silent m) devices are tools used to aid memory. In the case of this song, the mnemonics are words assigned to the letters E, G, B, D, and F, which are (of course) the lines of the treble clef staff. If remembering the letters is difficult for students, maybe the words or phrases can help. The most common mnemonic for E, G, B, D, F is "Every Good Boy Does Fine."

In this light and lively rock tune, students are invited to think about what other mnemonics they might use. There are a number of examples in the song, which are included on the lyric sheet. These are spoken solos which occur the second time at measure 5. However, the real fun

comes from letting students create and use their own! Here are a few extras to get you going:

*Electric Generators Burn Diesel Fuel
Every Grocer Buys Delicious Food
English Gents Bow Down Flawlessly
Every Gaffer Builds Domiciles Fabulously
Even Good Beagles Drool Finally*

(You'll find even more from our MUSIC K-8 Mailing List contributors below.)

For extra reinforcement, be sure to check out the great bonus video included with this Singles Reproducible Kit. The engaging visuals created by Bill Belongia illustrate this concept beautifully. (E-artist Guru Bill Designs Fun!)

Mnemonics For Fun: E G B D F

We had fun on the MUSIC K-8 Mailing List sharing alternatives to "Every Good Boy Does Fine." Here are just a few of them:

Eager Grizzly Bears Dine First
Eagles Glide, Bats Dive, Fly
Eagles Go Ballistic During Flight
Eat Grits Before Dinner Friday
Eating Garbage Brings Dirty Faces
Ed Got Bopped Dancing Flamenco
Ed's G Blues, Dig Friend?
Eggs Get Broken During Frying
Elephants Get Big Door Frames
Elephants Go Bouncing
Down Freeways
Elephants Got Big Dirty Feet
Eleven Gorillas Brought
Donuts Friday
Elvis Goes Belly Dancing Fridays
Elvis' Guitar Broke Down Friday
Empty Garbage Before Dad Flips
Ernie Gives Burt Dead Flies
Even Gangsters Buy Dog Food

Even Glamorous Barbie
Dolls Faint
Even Gold Boats Do Float
Even Great Blues Drummers Flop
Even Green Bugs Do Flips
Even Gummy Bears Do Freeze
Eventually Garbage Bags Do Fill
Evergreens Grow Big During Fall
Every Georgia Bulldog Does Fight
Every Girl Buys Diamonds First
Every Girl Buys Dresses Fast
Every Golden Bird Does Fly
Every Good Boy Deserves Freedom
Every Good Boy Deserves Fudge
Every Good Boy Doesn't Fight
Every Good Burger Deserves Fries
Every Google™ Brings
Different Findings
Every Goose Barfs Dead Flies
Every Gorgeous Bird Does Fly
Every Green Bus Drives Fast
Every Grizzly Bear Deserves Food
Every Groundhog Burrows
During February

Every Grumpy Boy
Dislikes Football
Everybody Gets Big Dirty Feet
Exciting Girls Brought
Donuts Friday
Exotic Gamelan Bands Ding Faster
Exotic Gurus Bless
Devoted Followers
Extremely Garish Baby
Dragons Fly

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