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 Christmas Hymns for Kids
 Volume 3

About This Hymn Collection

Favorite Christmas Hymns For Kids - Volume Three is a collection of hymns and worksheets especially appropriate for the late beginner musician. Volume Three includes these popular hymns: "Brightest and Best," "Go, Tell It On The Mountain," "Good Christian Men, Rejoice," "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen," and "What Child Is This?"

Features of Piano Arrangements

- Enlarged music score - two pages per hymn
- Verse one of the hymn, additional marks including introduction, refrain, playing both hands up one octave and final "Amen" ending
- Measure numbers (circled) at the beginning of each music score line
- Finger number recommendations above or below notes for both hands
- Arrows above or below finger numbers alert students of changing finger positions

Features of Student Hymn Worksheets

- Questions on hymn name, tune name, hymn meter, key and time signature
- Music practice check list and keyboard graphic
- Rhythm questions and additional hymn verses

Features of Student Rhythm Worksheets

- Answer boxes under music notes to write and count rhythms

Other Features of This Hymn Collection

- Piano arrangement marks reference sheet - "Amazing Grace" hymn example of how to use piano arrangement marks
- Rhythm worksheet reference sheet - "Amazing Grace" hymn example of how to write and count rhythms
- Answer keys for each rhythm and hymn worksheet
- Glossary

Music Recordings

An MP3 audio file for each hymn arrangement in this collection is available on our website at PraiseNotes.com. The audio files are found under the menu Store/Books/Favorite Hymns.

Hymns for Kids: Learn How to Read and Enjoy Christian Hymns

The book *Hymns for Kids: Learn How to Read and Enjoy Christian Hymns (Psalms and Praise Choruses, Too!)* includes a brief history of hymns and their purpose, and explains how to read a hymn - what is a hymn name, tune name, hymn meter and many other concepts. Though written for children, it is appropriate for anyone interested in further study of hymns. We recommend using this book in conjunction with the *Favorite Hymns For Kids* series.

Brightest and Best

Tune Name: Morning Star

Meter: 11.10.11.10

Lyrics by: Reginald Heber, 1811

Music by: James P. Harding, 1892

Play 2nd time up one octave - both hands

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Start Introduction

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Guide where our in - fant Re -

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Final Ending

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Brightest and Best Student Hymn Worksheet

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Write in the correct answers below from the hymn arrangement.





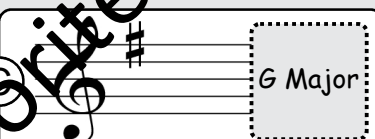

(A) Hymn Name

(B) Tune Name

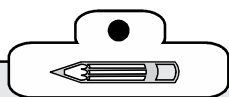
(C) Hymn Meter

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Place a check mark by the correct key and time signatures.

<input type="checkbox"/>	(A)		<input type="checkbox"/>	(D)	4 beats/measure ♩ = 1 beat	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(B)		<input type="checkbox"/>	(E)	3 beats/measure ♩ = 1 beat	
<input type="checkbox"/>	(C)		<input type="checkbox"/>	(F)	2 beats/measure ♩ = 1 beat	

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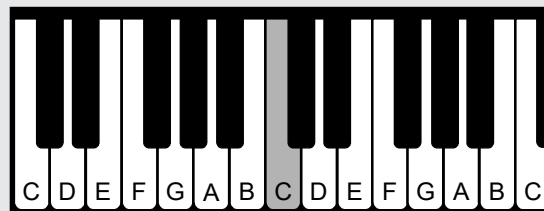


Check off list for piano practice:

- Play right hand hymn melody only
- Play left hand only
- Play both hands together
- Sing and play hymn at the same time
- Memorize the lyrics of verse 1

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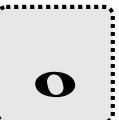

Use keyboard to highlight any letter/key of interest.



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Rhythm Table

Place a check mark by the notes that are used in the hymn.

<input type="checkbox"/>	A	Quarter Note		1 beat	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	Eighth Note		1/2 beat
<input type="checkbox"/>	B	Half Note		2 beats	<input type="checkbox"/>	E	Dotted Quarter Note		1 1/2 beats
<input type="checkbox"/>	C	Whole Note		4 beats	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	Dotted Half Note		3 beats

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Learn the additional verses of "Brightest and Best" and sing them as you play the hymn.

Verse Two

Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining;
 Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
 Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
 Maker and Monarch, and Lord over all.

Verse Three

Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
 Odours of Edom, and offerings divine,
 Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
 Myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?

Verse Four

Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
 Vainly with gifts would his favor secure;
 Richer by far is the heart's adoration;
 Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

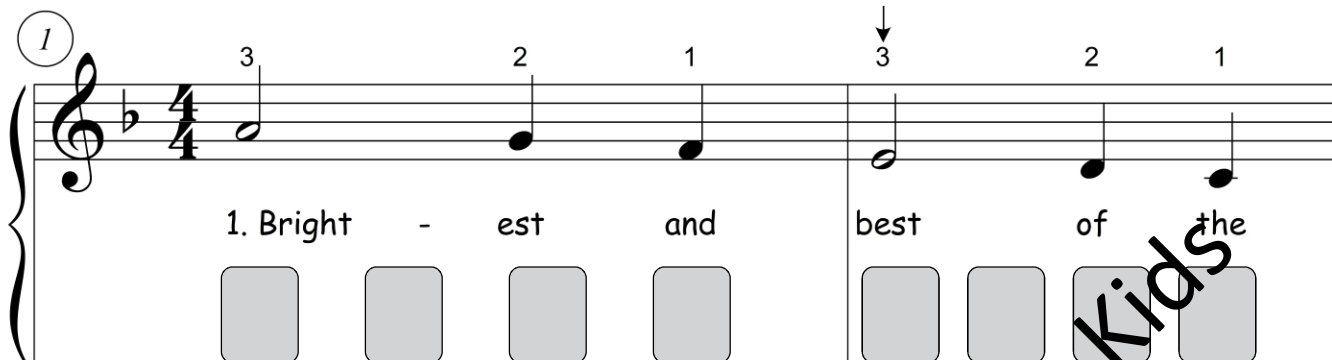
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Student Rhythm Worksheet

Directions:

1. Write the beats in the boxes below.
2. Clap the rhythm while counting out loud.

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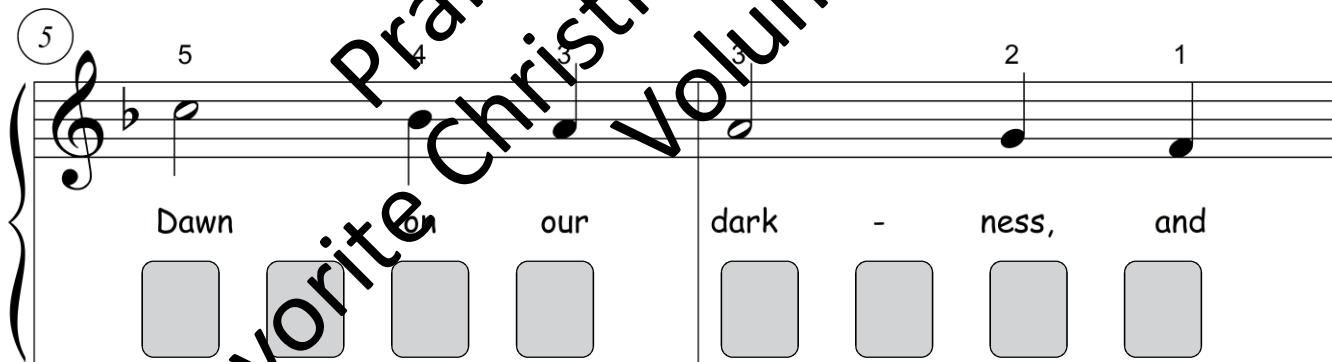


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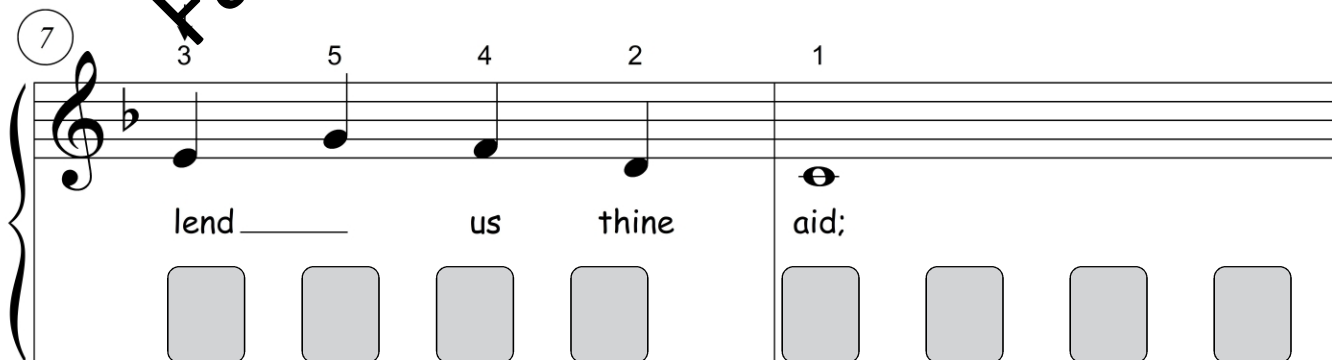


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Answer Key-Student Rhythm Worksheet

Directions:

1. Write the beats in the boxes below.
2. Clap the rhythm while counting out loud.

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