

# Music lessons

## Middle School - Lesson 9 (November Week 1)

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All the instructions are given in the module on  
[www.musicplayonline.com](http://www.musicplayonline.com).

**Concepts:** beat, rhythm, form, play along, harmony, theory

### Objectives:

- I can read rhythms and melodies
- I can perform rhythms on instruments

### Songs/Activities:

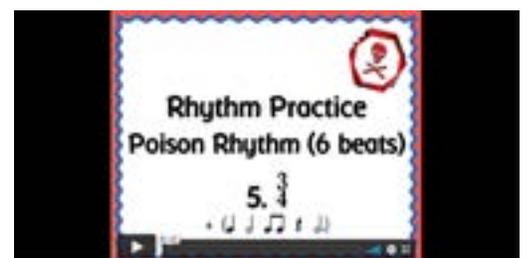
- play Poison Rhythm
- #25 "Dona Nobis Pacem" – listen to note highlights, play rhythm band arrangement
- "Nothing but Peace" – sing, play buckets with the song

## Teaching Procedure

### Activity #1: Play Poison Rhythm

Play Poison Rhythm

This game is 3/4 meter, to help prepare students to read "Dona Nobis Pacem".

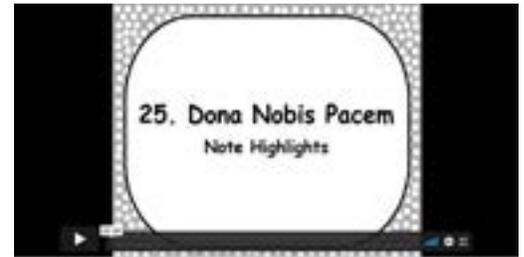


## **Activity #2:** Listen and view the note highlights video for “Dona Nobis Pacem”

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Pause at the end of each phrase and sing back the note names.

If you learn solfa at your school, continue to the end of the video practicing the solfa patterns.



## **Activity #3:** Learn to play the rhythm band accompaniment for “Dona Nobis Pacem”

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Practice all parts, one at a time.



## **Activity #4:** Play along with the song, “Dona Nobis Pacem”

Play along with the song, “Dona Nobis Pacem”.

In-Person: Divide the class into 4 groups and try playing this all together.

At Home: Try playing all 4 parts.



## **Activity #5:** Do a Rhythm Sort for part 1 of “Dona Nobis Pacem”

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 **Beat & Rhythm A**

## **Activity #6:** Play on a bucket or desk with the song, “Nothing but Peace”

Play on a bucket or desk with the song “Nothing but Peace”.

Find something to use for a bucket: an ice cream or laundry bucket, a big bowl or a cardboard box.

Find something to use for sticks - a pair of wooden spoons, or pair of spoons.

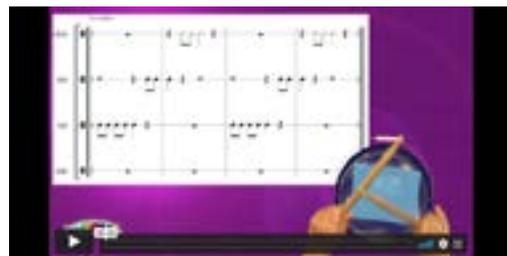
Learn to play part one. This is played with verse 1. Practice this pattern until you are confident. This first pattern is tricky! Replay the video as needed.



## **Activity #7:** Learn to play part 2

Learn to play part 2 of the song. This is played with verse 2.

Practice this pattern until you are confident. Replay the video as needed.



## Activity #8: Learn to play part 3

Learn to play part 3. This is played with verse 3.  
Practice this pattern until you are confident.  
Replay the video as needed.



## Activity #9: Play buckets with the entire song, "Nothing but Peace"

Play buckets with the entire song "Nothing but Peace".

In-person learning: If you don't have buckets, you can drum on the desk.

click = click sticks  
rim = edge of the desk  
top = top of the desk  
side = side of the desk



Teacher's Notes: