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SNARE DRUM PIECES

==== **BOOK 1: LEVEL 1** ====



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Introduction

Starting in the summer term of 2015, Theo Lawrence began teaching the MYM Snare Drumline group in Montgomeryshire (Wales, UK). The rebranded youth music group expanded to include this new group, and also the MYM Guitar & Ukulele group, also tutored by Theo.

After 2 terms of teaching a group of pupils aged between 8 and 12, some complete beginners and some more advanced, Theo is releasing the first of many Snare Drum Sheet Music books.

The MYM Snare Drumline group is Theo's adaption of 'Drumline' groups, tribal drumming, military drumming, Drum Corps, and epic styles of film score music.

There are many areas left to explore for the drum group. In this first book, Theo has focussed on building a foundation of simple and short snare drum pieces to help give the group confidence and develop a strong sense of rhythm, timing and pulse. There is also a very small amount of dynamic use, repeats, and drum rudiments.

Level 1 Book

The Level 1 book is designed for complete beginners, or 'basic beginners' level. This level could also be played by players of other instruments that are new to drums.

Level 2 Book

Level 2 is designed for grade 1-2 level. The rhythms are more complex, but there are no buzz rolls or drags.

Level 3 Book

Created for grade 2-3 level drummers. It incorporates buzz rolls, drags, flams, and harder rhythms.

These books are primarily intended for groups of drummers or differing abilities. Teachers may print entire books for the students, or pick and choose pieces to suit them. Teachers or students may also use these sheets or books for single snare drum playing. Teachers may purchase this book online and print out unlimited copies for their students.

Backing Tracks

There are 10 backing tracks available to stream for free or to buy from www.tlmusiclessons.bandcamp.com.

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Group Snare Drum Piece 1

1 *mf* 2

3 4

5 6

7 8

9 10

11 12

13 14

15 16

17 18

19 20

Group Snare Drum Piece 2

1 2

mp

3 4

5 6

mf

7 8

9 10 **3x**

11 12 **>**

Group Snare Piece 3

The musical score is written for a group of snare drums in 4/4 time. It consists of eight staves. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *mf*. The notation includes eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together. Some staves use 'x' marks on the notes to indicate snare hits. The piece is divided into two measures per staff, with a double bar line separating them. The final staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Group Snare Piece 4

1 *mf* 2

3 4

5 6

7 8

9 10

11 12

13 14

15 16

Group Piece 5

1 *mf* 2

3 4

5 6

7 8

9 10

11 12

13 14

15 16

17

Snare Piece 6

1 2

mf

3 4

5 6

7 8

9 10

11 12

13 14

15 16

Snare Piece 7

1 *mf* 2

3 4

5 6

7 8

9 10

11 12

13 14

Snare Drum Piece 8

LEVEL 1

1 *mf*

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

Snare Drum Piece 9

1 2

mp

3 4

5 6

7 8

9 10

f

11 12

mp

3x

Snare Drum Piece 10

LEVEL 1

A

1 2 *f* 4x

B Intro

3 4 5 6 *f*

Quiet!

C

7 8 *p*

9 10

A

11 12 *f* 4x