

# Lesson Plan 9 – Praying Mantis

*Lead Guitar Level I*

*Song of the Wild*

*Partner Song: Garden Music (Level 5)*

	ACTIVITY	SOURCE	DESCRIPTION
1.	Warm-up	Video	Daily Warm-up Routine II (page 18, MB I)
2.	Review song	TOR	Class/TOR choose a familiar piece to play together
3.	Sight reading	Video	Level I Sight Reading Exercises (PDF in lesson folder) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TOR chooses exercise(s)</li> <li>- 2-3 minutes</li> </ul>
4.	Listening	Video	Praying Mantis Play-along Video – listen and watch only
5.	New song overview	Video	Get Ready to Play – Praying Mantis
6.	Focused practice	Video	Component Practice Video 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Measures 3 and 4</li> <li>- Line 1</li> </ul>
7.	Focused practice	Video	Component Practice Video 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Measures 7 and 8</li> <li>- Line 2</li> </ul>
8.	Individual practice	TOR	As needed to get ready for play-along video (PDF of score is in lesson folder)
9.	Ensemble practice	Video	Praying Mantis play-along Video <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Guided class play-through</li> <li>- Adjust tempo as needed</li> </ul>
10.	Change of pace/ brain break	TOR	Student solos, games and videos etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the ‘Activities and Videos’ glossary in the Resources folder has ideas and links</li> </ul>
11.	Ensemble w/ partner song	Video	Garden Music – Play-along video <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Try playing Praying Mantis with its partner songs Grasshopper and Dragon Fly</li> </ul>

**After completing Lesson 9 students can:**

- Execute a variety of difficult string crossings in context
- Perform Praying Mantis accurately and with good technique
- Play in an ensemble with three independent parts