1st and 2nd Class - DabbledooMusic Parents' Course

Week 1

Singing with Jazz Cat! This is a great interactive online resource for practicing singing and songwriting!

<u>GO TO JAZZ CAT</u>

- Watch the 2 intro videos (Jazz Cat Intro + Jazz Cat Singing) to explain how our Jazz Cat resource works.
- Next, you can go into the Jazz Cat resource on our site by clicking here <u>http://beta.dabbledoomusic.com/jazz-cat/level1-section1.html</u>
- As explained from the videos, Jazz Cat will play the parts in green and then you and your child can sing the parts in either red or blue separately.
- Try the exercise through singing the notes as 'la'. Next, try it again, this time clicking the 'More Catio' button from the start so you'll add in a backing track.
- Once your child is confident with this, they can try the two performance exercises on level 2 which this time now has a 5 note scale. http://beta.dabbledoomusic.com/jazz-cat/level2-section1.html
- Again, they can start by singing the notes as 'la', but they can also try to add in the solfa notes (do, re, me, so, la) and try to perform the melody using those.

Week 2

Igor the Octopus is one of our most popular resources and is designed to help children practice their rhythm. You can use your voice or any instruments or cool sounds you can find.

GO TO IGOR RESOURCE

- Watch the Igor intro video to explain how our Igor the Octopus resource works.
- Now click into the Igor resource: <u>http://beta.dabbledoomusic.com/igor/level1-section1.html</u>
- You and your child can each take a colour (red or blue). Then discuss the two symbols and what sound they will make. The easiest is to make a vocal sound for the 's' and 't' but you can also use simple instruments or body percussion if you wish.
- Once you press play, Igor will give an 8 beat introduction and then you follow your colour and make your sound when Igor beats over a box with a symbol in it. Igor will join in after a few rounds.
- After this, your child can compose their own rhythm using different symbols in our Igor compose section http://beta.dabbledoomusic.com/igor/level1-section2.html
- You can also try level 2 and level 3, once your child is confident with level 1.



Week 3

This week we have selected two songs you can learn at home. They are both simple call-and-response songs meaning you repeat what you hear.

Click the links below to go to the songs:

- TOOM-BAH-EE-LERO

<u>- JAMBO</u>

- Start by listening to the song by pressing play on the video link.
- Try singing the song through twice using the lyrics.
- Once your child is comfortable with the song, ask them to try to learn the lyrics. They can start and stop the video to go back over the lyrics from each section.
- Once they're confident with the lyrics, try singing it through without looking at the lyrics.

Week 4

Stevie Wonder is one of the world's greatest musicians and artists. Learn all about him and listen to his music here!

GO TO STEVIE WONDER PROFILE

- Start by reading through the background to Stevie Wonder.
- Listen to the 2 songs listed. You can then either discuss answers to the questions below with your child or get them to write down answers.
- Try the lyrics listening activity with your child, by either printing or downloading the word file and ask your child to complete the lyrics while they listen to the song.

