

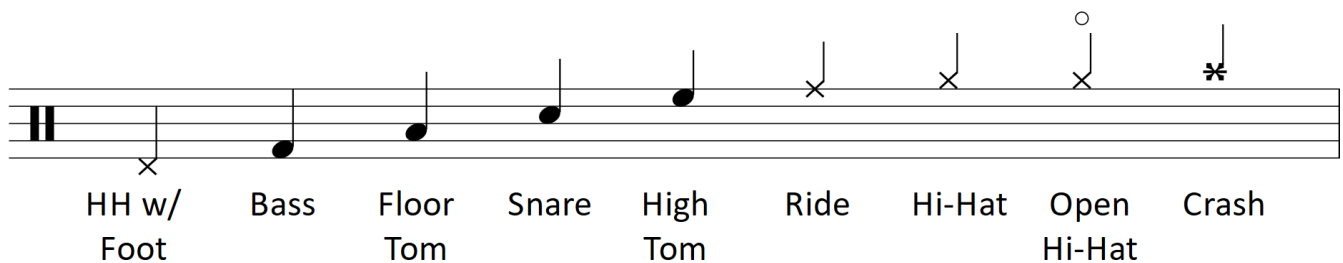
Practicing

Practice can often be a misunderstood concept. There is a big difference between *playing* and *practicing*. Practice with purpose, with specific objectives and goals in mind — and enjoy the learning process. It takes much repetition for us to become solid drummers. Possessing that skill is very rewarding, but it only comes with time and experience.

Final Thoughts

Go slowly at first to make sure you are playing the exercises correctly. If it is difficult and you keep stopping and starting – go SLOWER. Really, it works. It is always better to play slowly and be accurate than to practice something incorrectly at a faster speed over and over. Give yourself the freedom at some point in your practice sessions to just play – to be in the moment and not worry about the technical aspects or reading. Have fun and be creative with the things you learn.

Drum Key



Dynamics

p Soft

mp Medium soft

mf Medium loud

f Loud