



HOW TO PRACTICE MUSIC

(...and learn new songs FAST!)

- 1. Pick a **small section** of music to work on.
(usually 4 measures or 2 phrases)**
- 2. Look at (**study!**) the music for **1 minute**.**
- 3. Identify the **KEY** and the **METER** of the music.**
- 4. Look for any **patterns** that you know how to play.
(Five finger patterns, chords, Scales, Alberti bass)**
- 5. Play the **MELODY** part, **two times** slowly.
(Usually the **RIGHT** hand)**
- 6. Play the **ACCOMPANIMENT** part, **two times** slowly.
(Usually the **LEFT** hand)**
- 7. Play with **HANDS TOGETHER**, **three times** slowly.**
- 8. Move on to the next section, and repeat steps 1 – 7.**