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The Musical Alphabet: Steps and Skips from A to G

Directions: Music names its notes with the letters A through G. In this activity, a step moves to the very next letter, up or down, and a skip jumps over exactly one letter.

1. Complete the sentence about how the musical alphabet continues after G.

Word bank

C • A • F • B

The musical alphabet runs from A to G. Going up, the letter that comes right after G is _____.

2. Starting on C and moving downward by steps, which three letters come next, in order?

A. A, then F, then D
B. D, then E, then F
C. B, then G, then A
D. B, then A, then G

3. Match each move to the words that describe it.

Write the letter of the matching answer on each line.

1. _____ from D up to E
2. _____ from G down to F
3. _____ from C up to E
4. _____ from A down to F

A. a step downward
B. a step upward
C. a skip upward
D. a jump over two letters
E. a skip downward
F. the same letter repeated

4. Starting on E, Ella plays three steps upward on her xylophone. Which letter does she land on?

A. the letter D
B. the letter A
C. the letter B
D. the letter G

5. Complete the sentence about skipping upward.

Word bank

F • C • G • E

A skip upward from D jumps over one letter and lands on _____.

6. A melody moves from G down to E. Which words describe that movement?

A. a skip upward
B. a step upward
C. a skip downward
D. a step downward

7. Which of these movements is a step?

A. from F up to B
B. from C up to D
C. from A up to C
D. from E up to G

8. A melody starts on A, moves upward by step two times, and then skips upward once. Which letter does it end on?

A. the letter E
B. the letter G
C. the letter D
D. the letter F

9. Starting on C, Lena skips upward three times in a row. Which letter does she land on?

A. the letter G
B. the letter D
C. the letter B
D. the letter A

10. Counting upward by steps from C, how many steps does it take to reach the next C?

_____ steps