

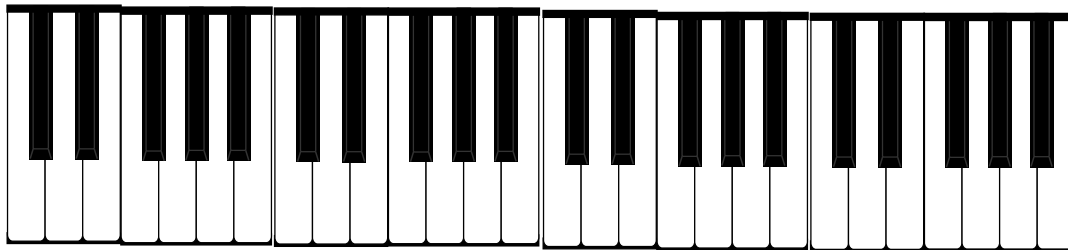
Anybody Can Play PIANO

PATTERNING

Laminate, then cut out the groups of keys.

Give each child at least 2 groups (can be same sets or different), then let them line up the keys on a table so it looks like a piano keyboard. It makes no difference whether you start with a group of 2 black keys or a group of 3 black keys. As you go along, ask the children "What comes next?" then let one of them that has the correct set put it in place.

When the groups of 2 black keys and 3 black keys are cut apart as these are, it is easier for the children to understand and "see" the pattern....2 black keys, 3 black keys, 2 black keys, 3 black keys.....



SHOW ME GAMES

Give each child a group of 2 black keys and a group of 3 black keys. Ask them to "Show me" a group of either 2 black keys or 3 black keys.

Also:

"Show me" the white key in the middle of the 2 black keys.

"Show me" the 2 white keys in the middle of the 3 black keys.

"Show me" a white key that is NOT in the middle of the 2 black keys.

Etc.

Let a child put the keys away by piling up all the 3 black key sets in one pile and the 2 black key sets in another pile. Then pile the 2 black key pile on top of the 3 black key pile to make one big pile. Generally to do this, the child who gets to make the "Put Away Pile" gathers all the sets of 3 black keys from the children, then goes back and gathers all the sets of 2 black keys from the children.

