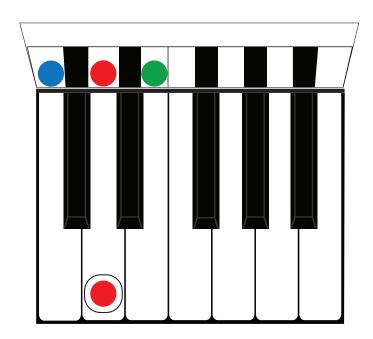
These sheets have multiple sized keystrips. Hopefully one of these sizes will fit the keyboard your student/child is using. Just make a copy of the page with all the different sizes on it to check if one of those sizes is the correct size. Each of the pages with the stack of same size keystrips has the size listed at the top.

The following page shows how to make a key strip if you choose to go that route. The "Stand Up Practice Box" stands up behind the key strip so everything that beginner students need to learn is right there in plain sight so they are not looking up and down and losing their place.



This is a drawing attempting to show a keystrip standing up behind the keys of a keyboard/piano. It is for showing hand placement. Beginner students tend to like to play with just their pointer finger. Using all fingers properly needs to be learned and also using the same correct fingering for songs trains the muscle memory.

Very young beginners may need to have the key marked as well to show where their finger touches the key. Removeable stickers need to be used on the keys so no residue remains when the sticker is removed. (Yes, Amazon has them.) White removeable stickers are sold in many stores, so they can be used - just stick a "regular" sticker on top of the white sticker to use. If you just mark a white sticker with a magic marker, be sure to use a "permanent" marker - washable markers can smear sometimes.

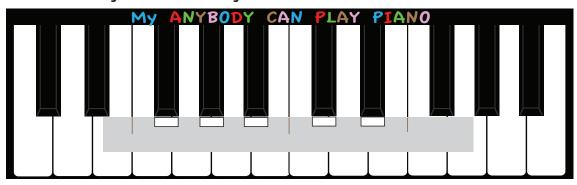
Making a key strip template for coding the Practice Stand Up Boxes.



First, line up a strip of white paper on the white keys directly under the back key groups, securing with tape/sticker if necessary.

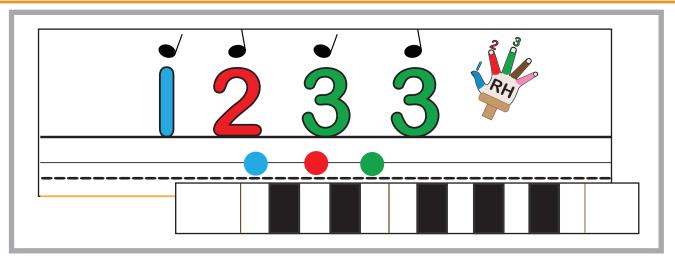
I just made the "white paper" gray for ease in seeing....

Carefully draw little boxes under one 5 black key set. Remember.....this template will be used upside down, so draw boxes as show in illustration. Also draw lines where those side by side white keys meet.



Extend and fill in those boxes with black so the 5 black key set template looks more like piano keys.

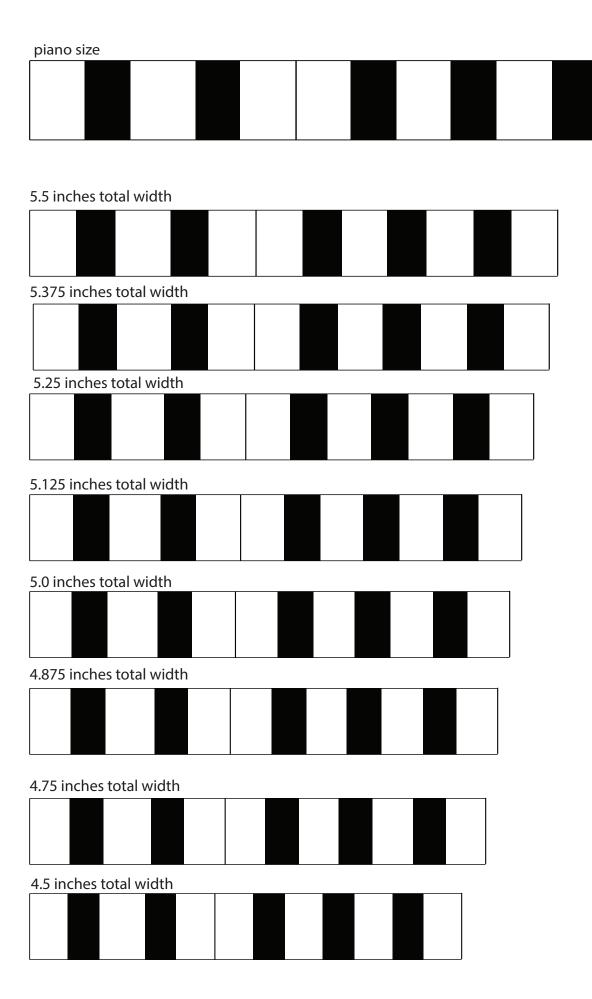


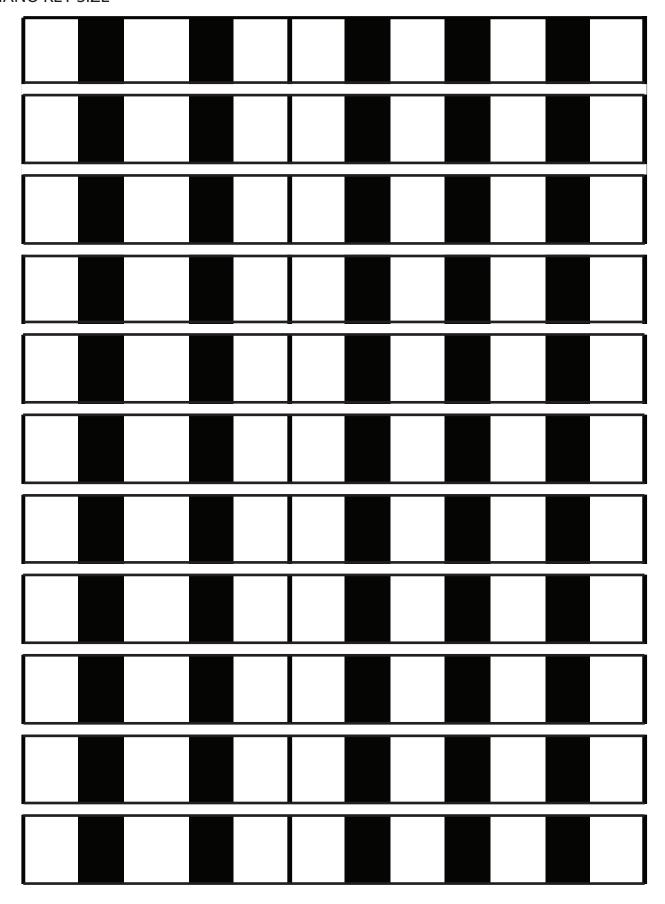


Place template on song sheet and mark the correct places along the bottom of the part (as per song sheet) with dots or marker or....

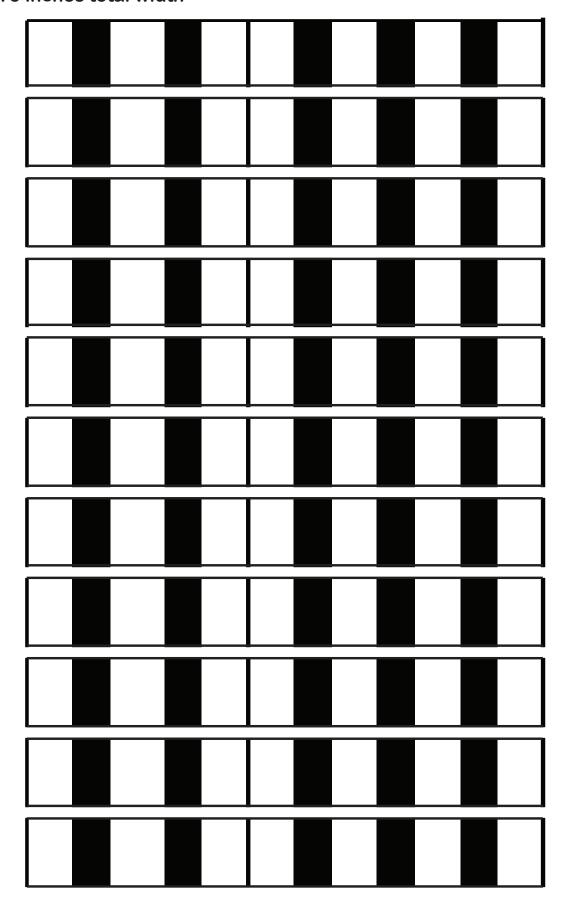
Now the song part will be coded to match the size of the keys on your keyboard. Save this template for all the songs that will be used on your keyboard. Laminate if possible or glue to cardstock or...

Preserve it well for multiple use.

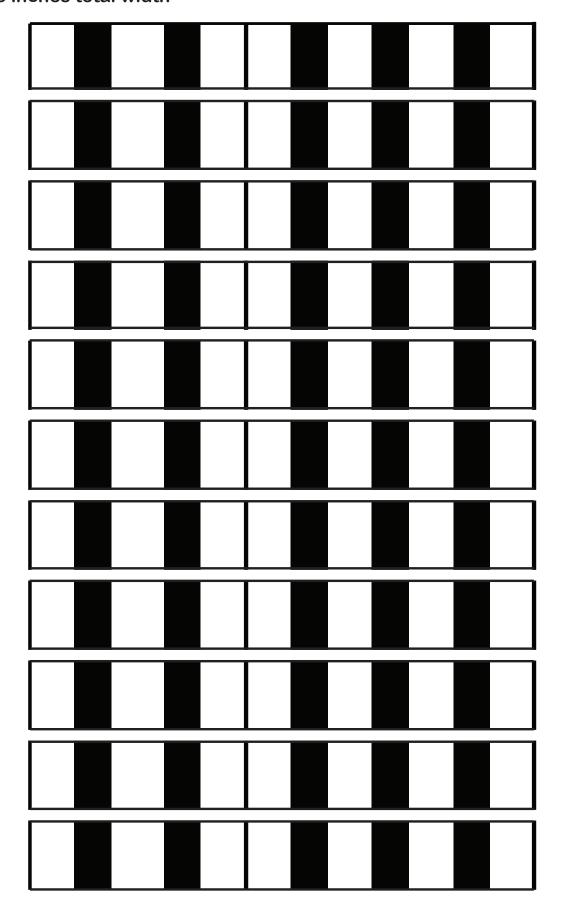




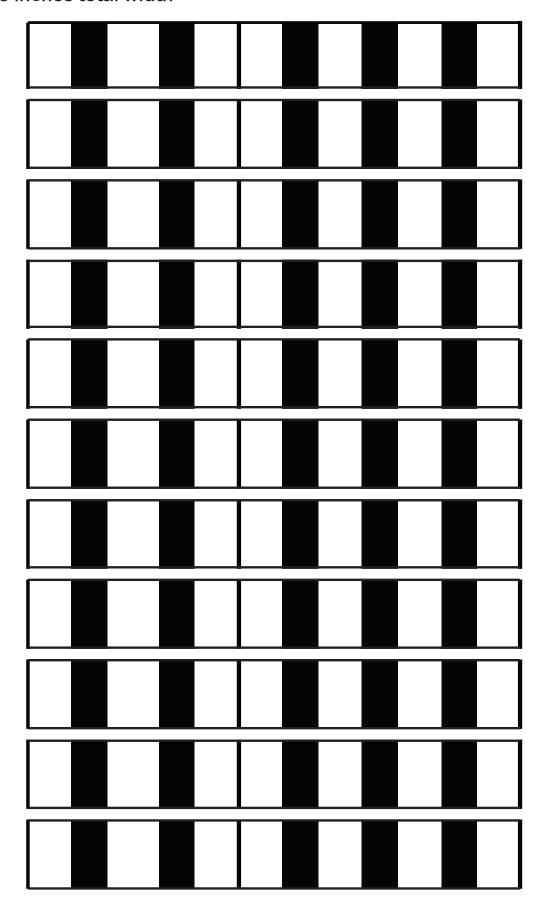
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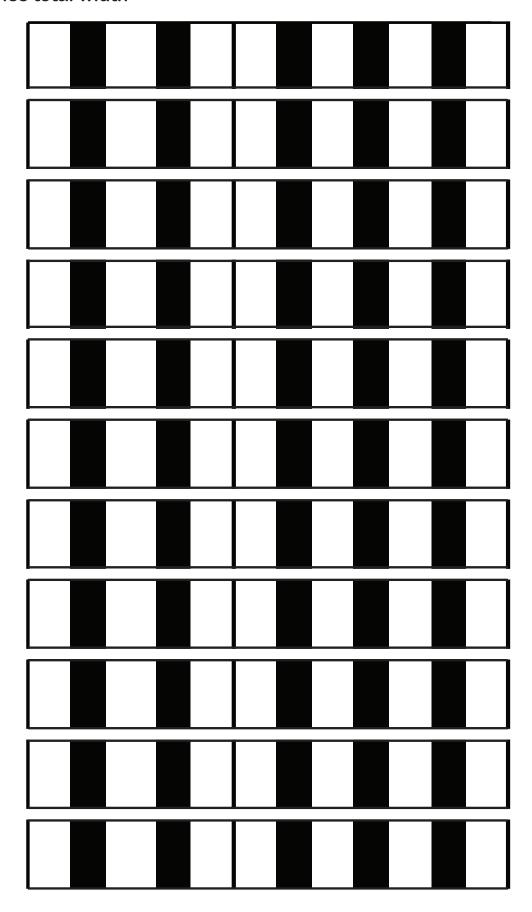
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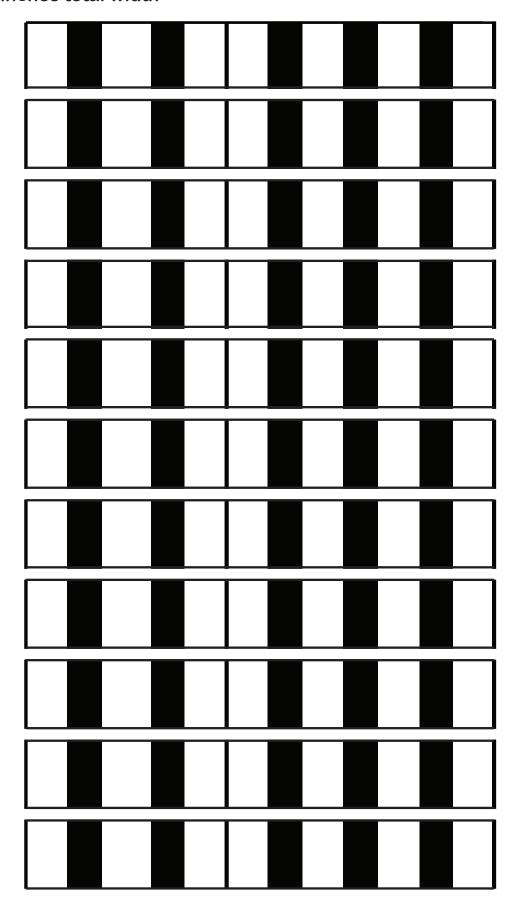
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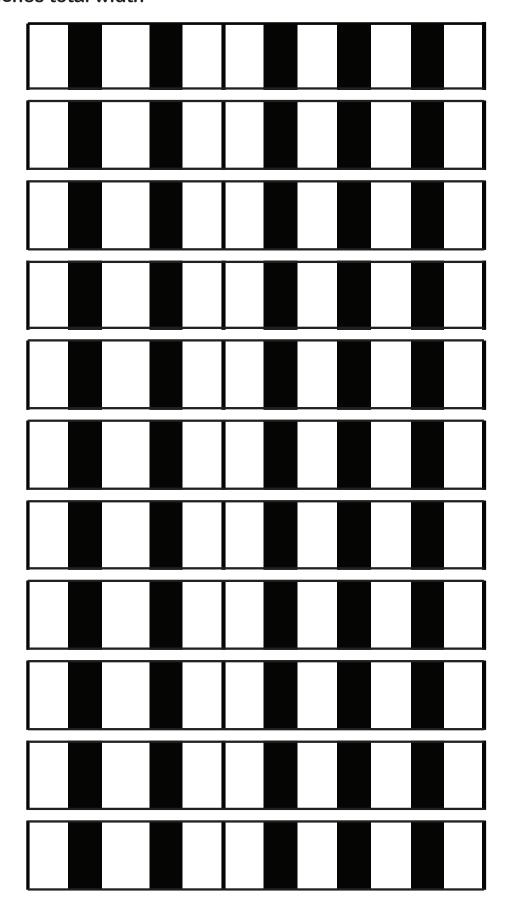
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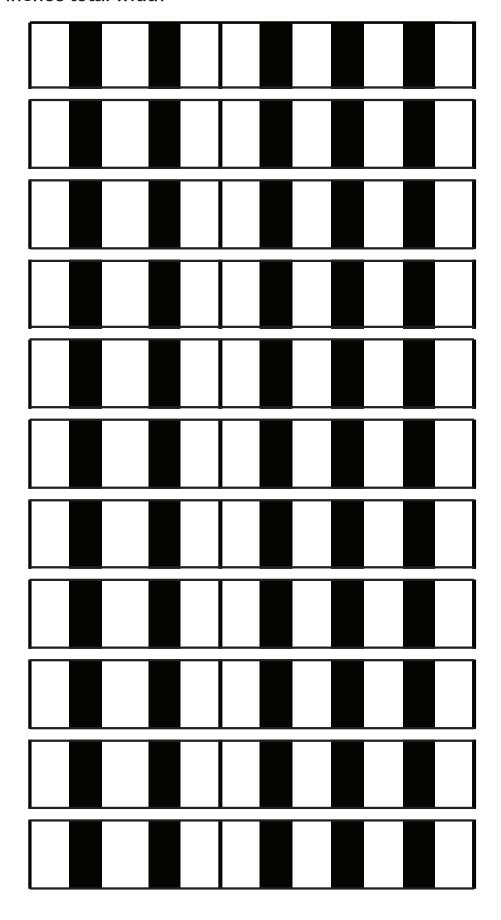
4.875 inches total width



4.75 inches total width



4.625 inches total width



4.5 inches total width

