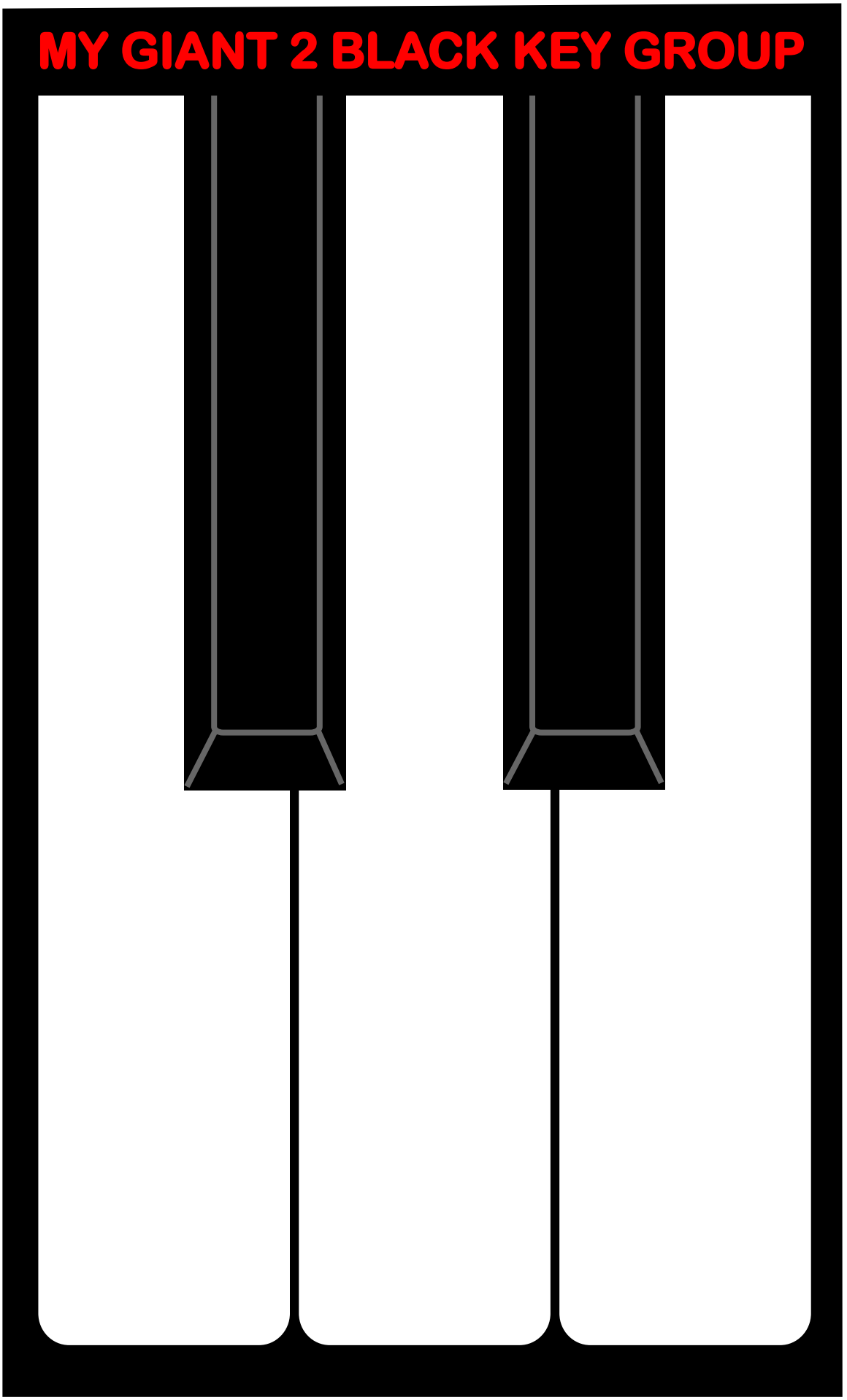
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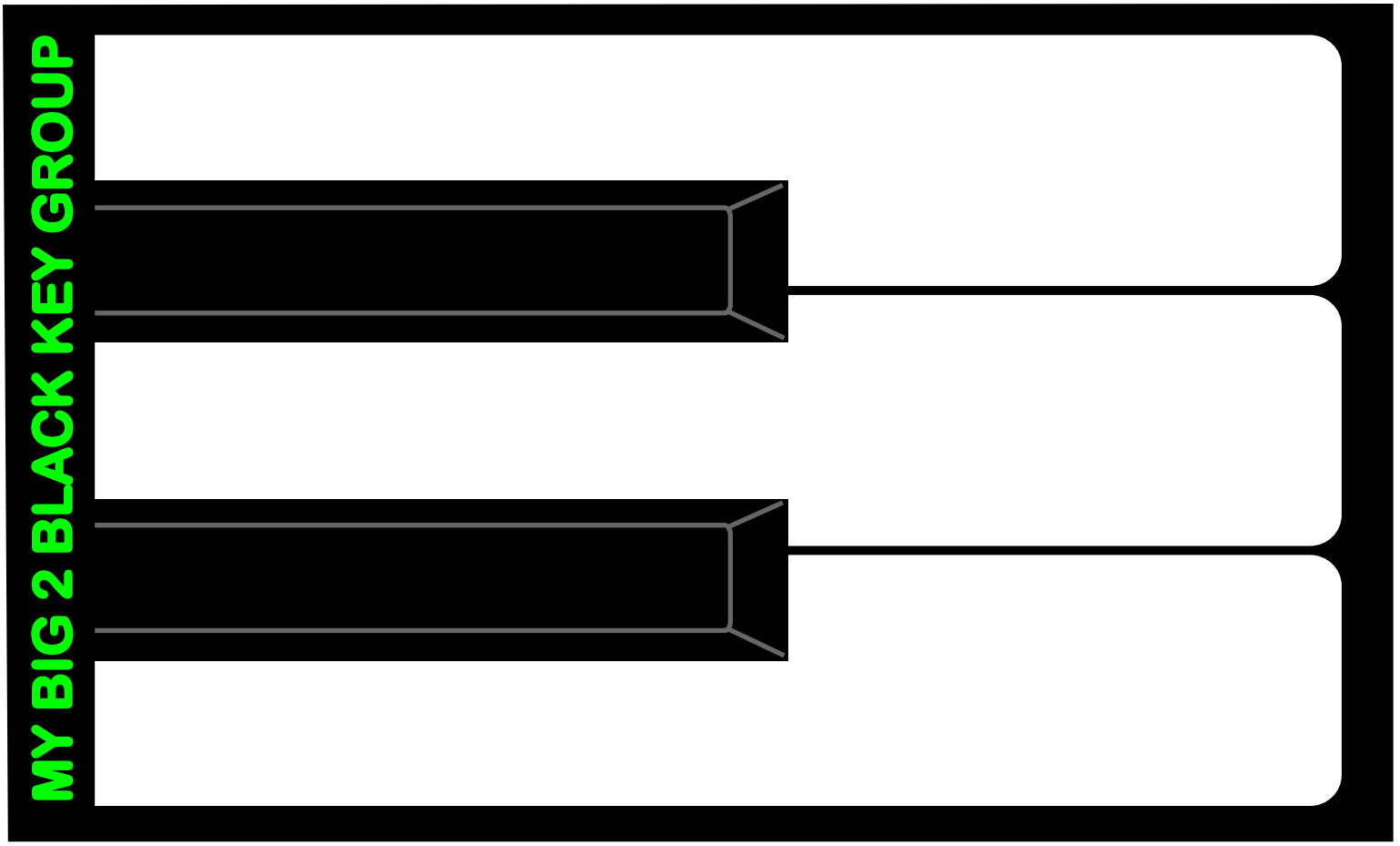
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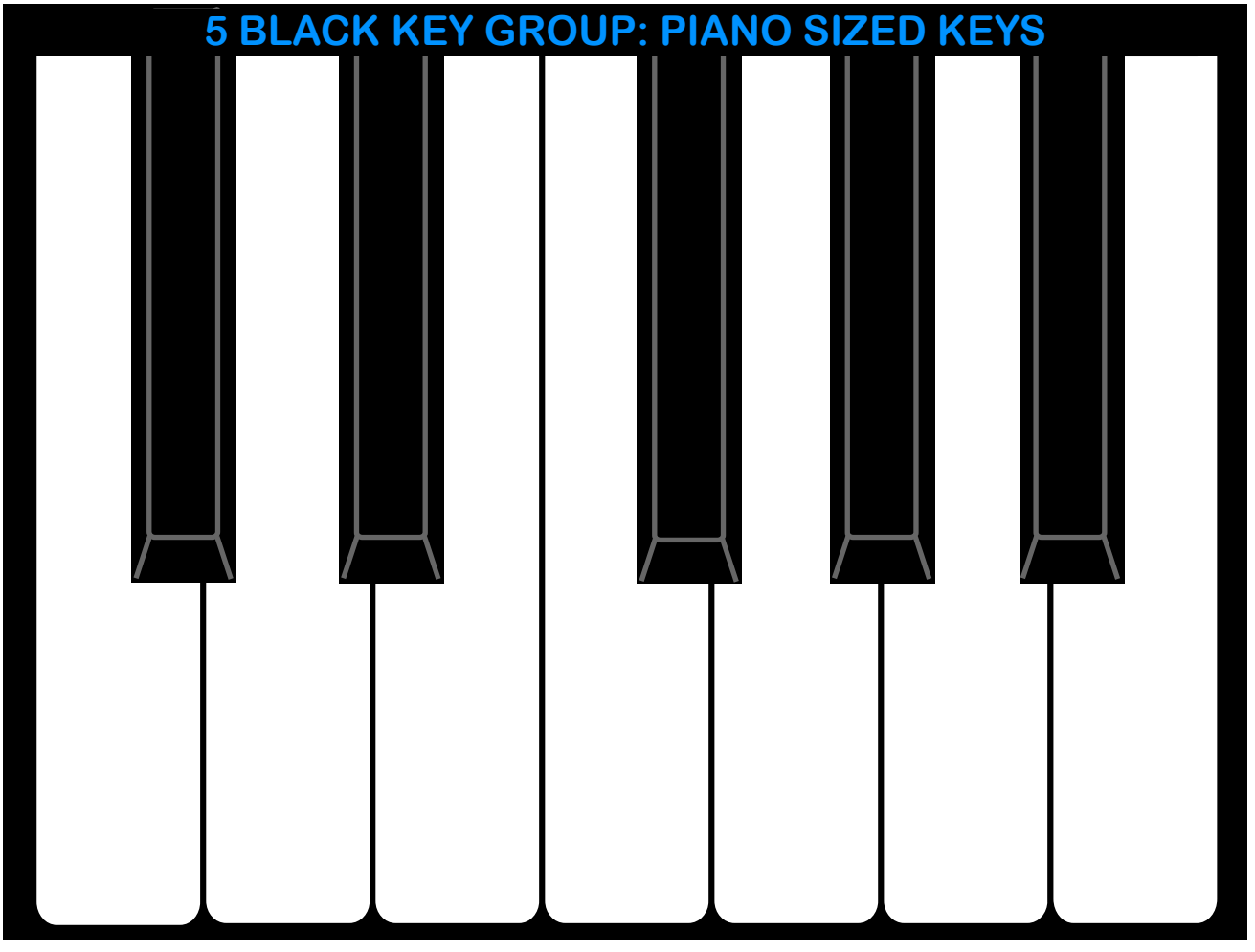
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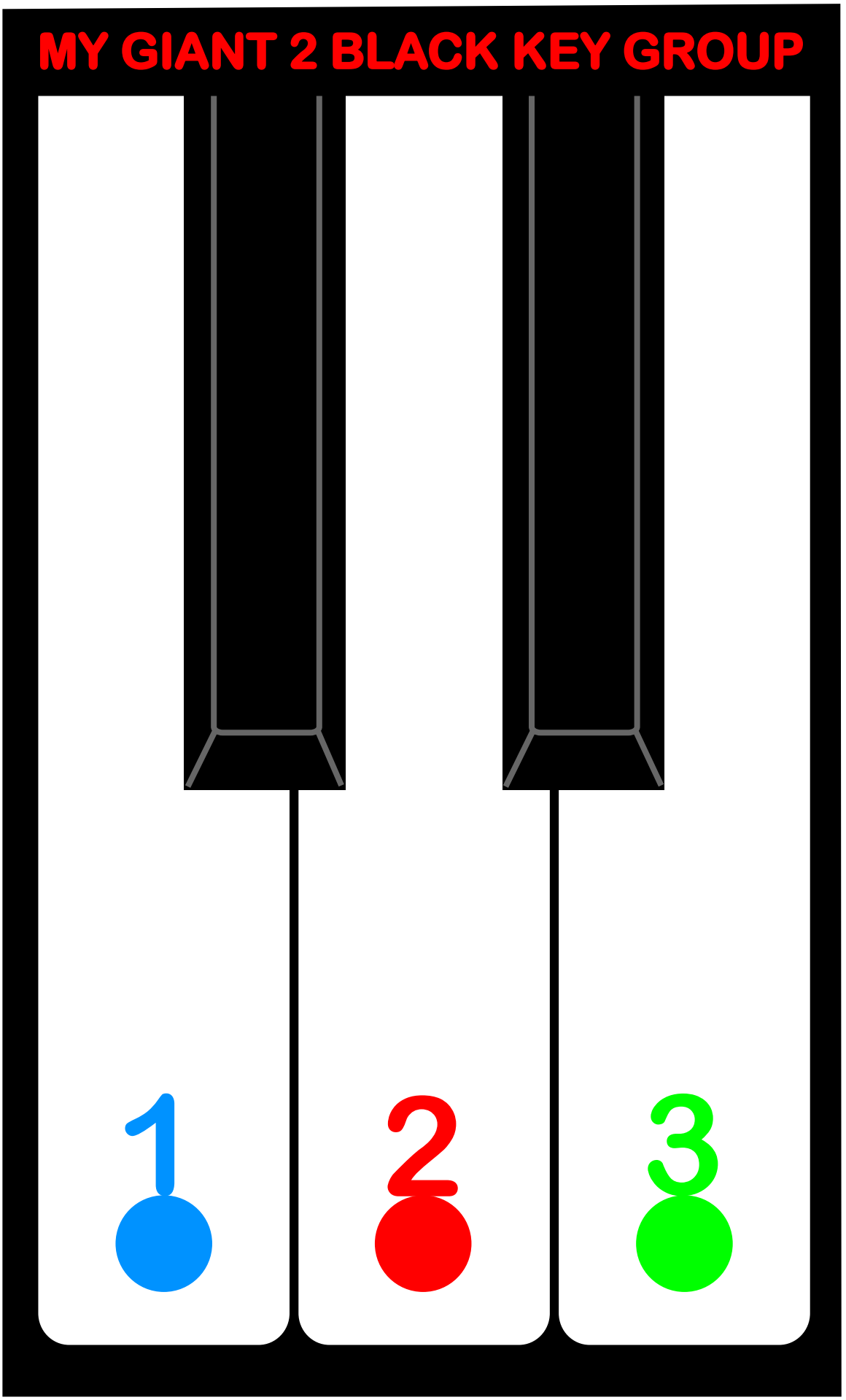
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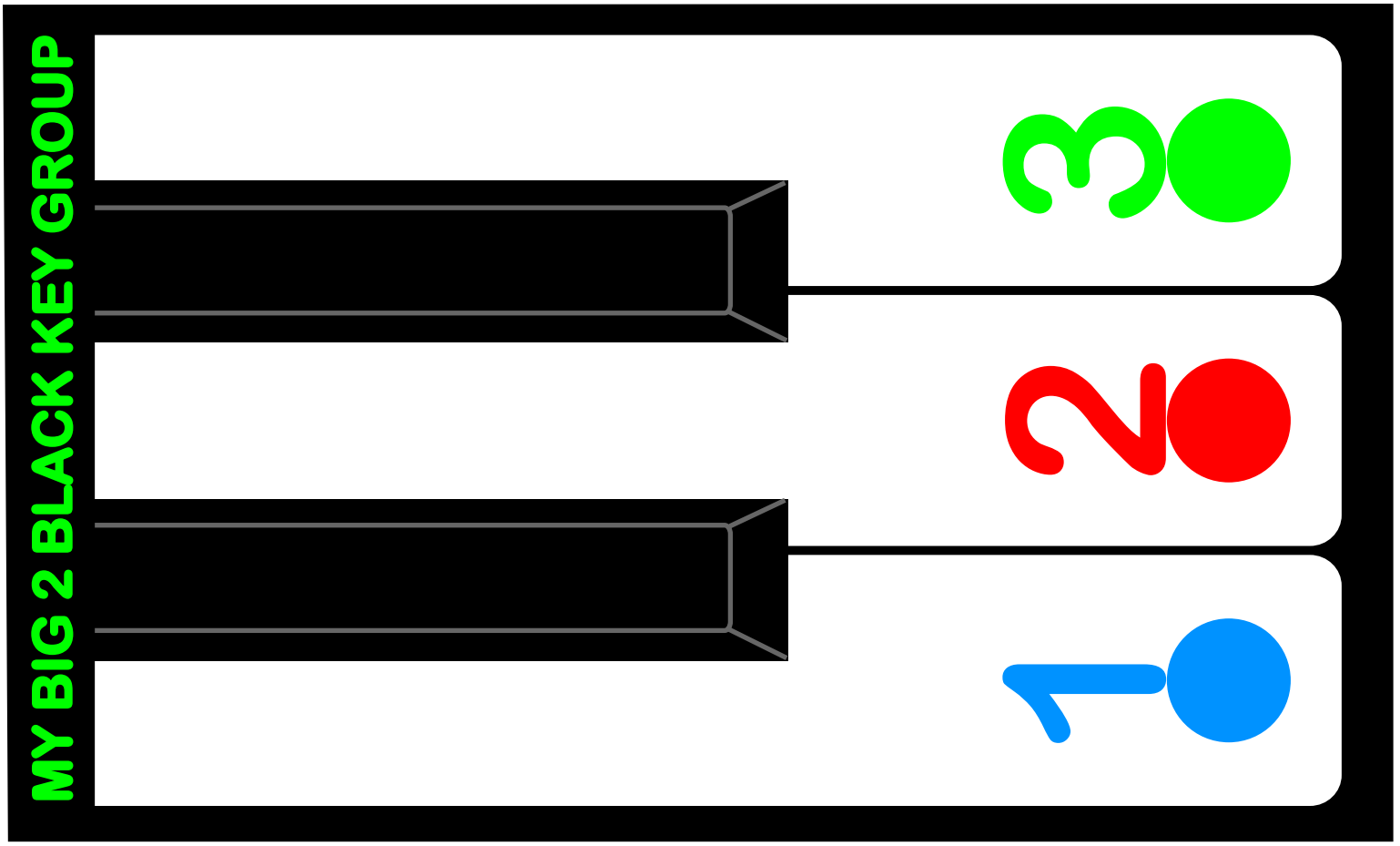
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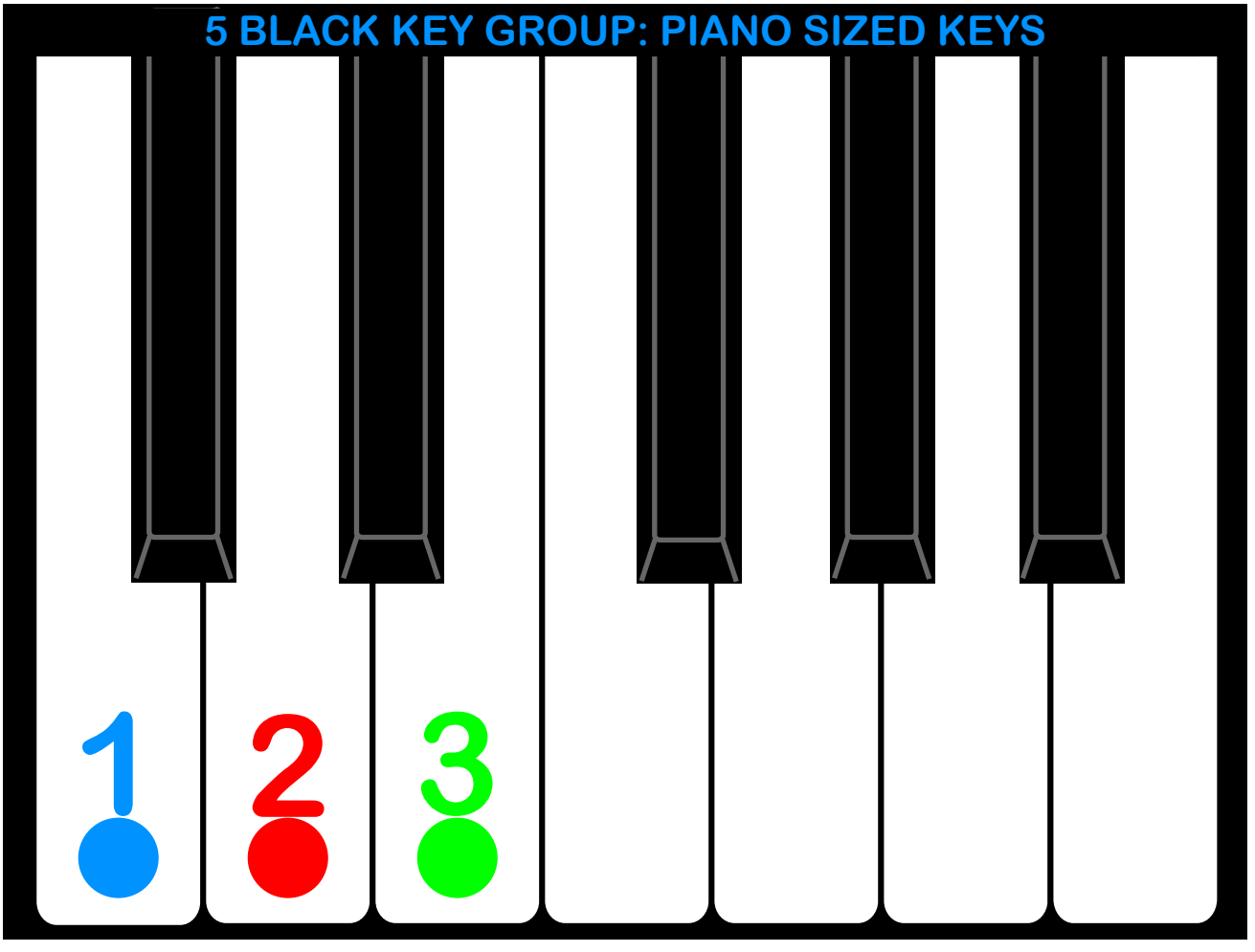
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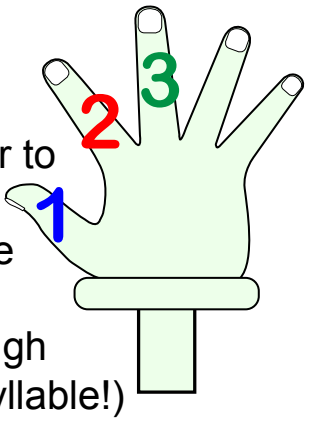
HOT CROSS BUNS, HOT CROSS BUNS, ONE A PEN- NY, TWO A PEN-NY, HOT CROSS BUNS.

green red blue, green red blue, blue blue blue blue, red red red red, green red blue

3 2 1, 3 2 1, 1 1 1 1, 2 2 2 2, 3 2 1.



Muscle memory is important to every pianist - one of many reasons I color code fingering. It is a visual reminder to use the correct finger on a specific key. To create muscle memory it is important to play a song correctly EVERY time if possible so the brain can "file" the song away with no confusion. Rhythm and patterning abilities are also very high priorities. (Rhythm is the reason my colors are only one syllable!)

All these skills can be reinforced away from a keyboard or piano by using these activity sheets. If you are using them for more than one student I strongly recommend laminating them....5mm - good weight.

The "giant" and "big" 2 black key groups are great for tapping the correct rhythm on the correct keys....singing the words,colors or numbers.....and using an object like our plastic clothes pins in the video. Those little arrows at the top of this page each equal one beat just for reference...always tap to the rhythm of the song, however.

These large groups also work well for tapping with fingers - jumping from one key to the next (remembering to stay down on that "buns" key before jumping up). Students tend to jump with their finger tips - just what we want!

The piano sized keys with the addition of the 3 black key group help even more with patterning and practice can be done by finger tapping through the song - again with words, colors or numbers.

Use the keys that are color coded when necessary, but change to unmarked keys as soon as students are able.

And, of course, please don't forget to check out the Anybody Can Play Piano app.
https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/p/anybody-can-play-piano/9nmgv596wxs0?rtc=1&activetab=pivot:overviewtab

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