Tempo Music
Symbols Dynamics

## Kit 2: Grades 3-6

Class sets of colorful, exciting game boards and activities developed to teach dynamics, tempo, note names and symbols. Many reproducible worksheets, assessments and activities included.



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## This Kit Includes:

- Four game boards of the following: Note Name Treasure Hunt Dynamics Tower Tempo Tornado Ties and Slurs Music Symbol Race Track
- 3 reproducible activities with instructions
- Reproducible "cheat" sheets

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## Music Centers

- Centers take about 7-8 minutes to complete. You can adjust the amount if your students need additional time.
- The board games are played in pairs. There are enough board games for 32 students. The board games, worksheets and cheat sheets for the games can be kept in separate file folders. If cheat sheets are needed, include one cheat sheet for every pair of students. That way, they can correct their own work.
- Some of the centers have a worksheet for students to complete. The worksheets can be used by the teacher for tracking students' progress and assessment.
- A student instruction page is included for every game in the kit and can be laminated and left at each center, or in a file folder, for students to refer back to.
- There are reproducible activities included that can be completed individually by students. The activities that can be played by individual students are found on page 22-24.
- Use a bell or other signal for students to rotate through the centers.
- Have all the materials students will require ready at each center.
- The centers are most effective if students with advanced note reading abilities are paired with weaker students.
- Cheat Sheets are included for every game in this kit for students who are unfamiliar with the music terms and symbols used in the game.
- All centers are self-correcting. When students have completed an activity, they can correct their own work.
- When students have completed the centers, pass out a small prize to every child.


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 and Symbols has reproducible worksheets, written and multiple choice assessments, stories, games, crosswords, matching activities and more to help your students learn music terms and symbols.Visit www.musicplay.ca for more information about other books and kits in this series.

## Dynamics tower

## Preparation:

1. For each pair of students, photocopy a "Dynamics Tower Building Blocks" page and pass out a "Dynamics Tower" board game.
2. Cut out the building blocks page, or ask students to cut out the building blocks.

## Instructions:

1. This game is played in partners. Find a partner for every student.
2. The Dynamics Tower is built from the bottom up. For example, students must complete the bottom row before they can start building the second row. They may only work on one row at a time.
3. Students place all the tower cards face down in rows. Player 1 turns over a card and reads the definition. If the definition matches a dynamics abbreviation from the first row, they place the card on top of the block and then it is their partner's turn. If the definition doesn't match any of the abbreviations, then they must turn the card face down and it will be their partner's turn.
4. The tower is complete when students place the final card at the top.
5. Students can check that the blocks are in the correct position by viewing the answer key. Include an answer key for every board game.

Note: After the class is finished playing this game, ask students to paper clip the building blocks together so they can be used again.


## Dynamics tower Building Blocks


gradually get louder

medium soft

medium loud

DyNAMICS Cheat Sheets

| Dynamics Term |  | Definition | Dynamics Term |  | Definition | Dynamics Term |  | Definition |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| pianissimo | $p p$ | very soft | pianissimo | $p p$ | very soft | pianissimo | $p p$ | very soft |
| piano | $p$ | soft | piano | $p$ | soft | piano | $p$ | soft |
| mezzo piano | $m p$ | medium soft | mezzo piano | $m p$ | medium soft | mezzo piano | $m p$ | medium soft |
| mezzo forte | $m f$ | medium loud | mezzo forte | $m f$ | medium loud | mezzo forte | $m f$ | medium loud |
| forte | $f$ | loud | forte | $f$ | loud | forte | $f$ | loud |
| fortissimo | $f f$ | very loud | fortissimo | $f f$ | very loud | fortissimo | ff | very loud |
| crescendo | $<$ | gradually gets louder | crescendo | $<$ | gradually gets louder | crescendo | $<$ | gradually gets louder |
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## tempo treasure Map

Name: $\qquad$ Class: $\qquad$

Part A: Unscramble the tempo terms.

1. ostrep
2. rlaoelg
3. siotispresm $\qquad$
4. aivevc
5. netdaan
6. raeomdot
7. rgloa
8. gaoida

Part B: Write the letter of the definition that matches one of the tempo terms on the left.

1. allegro $\qquad$ a. quickly
2. ritardando (rit.) $\qquad$ b. very slow and broad
3. vivace $\qquad$ c. fast and lively
4. accelerando (accel.)
d. gradually get slower
5. largo
e. gradually get faster
6. presto
f. quickly, lively and bright
