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# Premier Piano Course Performance, Bk 1A: Book & CD





### **Synopsis**

The appealing repertoire with charming lyrics further reinforces and enhances the learning of new musical concepts introduced in the Lesson Book. Includes attractive music created by internationally acclaimed composers in a variety of styles, plus tips on how to perform more musically. Each piece on the CD was recorded at a performance tempo and a slower practice tempo. The music from this book is available in the Piano Maestro app that's downloadable at http://app.appsflyer.com/id604699751?pid=web&c=alfred. Learn more About JoyTunes, the maker of Piano Maestro at http://teachers.joytunes.com/?jt&utm\_source=alfred&utm\_campaign=web.

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#### **Customer Reviews**

There is nothing to not like about the Premier Piano course. In fact, I have switched over all of my students into the Premier books because they are just more interesting that the Alfred's Piano Course. The teacher accompaniment is brilliant and I get as much enjoyment out of it as they do.

In my teaching, I use this book in conjunction with Premier Piano Course Lesson 1a and Premier Piano Course Theory 1A from the same series. I've been very pleased with the curriculum overall, and the pieces in the performance book add a great deal of interest to the lessons. These pieces incorporate the same concepts that are introduced in the lesson book, but in more complex and attractive arrangements. For beginner piano pieces, I've been impressed at how much musical

interest there is in these pieces. From the very beginning of the book, students are able to play pieces that move to different places on the piano. There are songs in jazzy styles, songs with an Asian feel, folk songs, and songs based on Classical themes. These pieces provide an opportunity to incorporate real musicality into the lessons.

My young child's piano teacher uses a combination of Suzuki books and various Alfred series for young children beginning piano. If you are starting piano with a very young child, e.g. ages 3-5, you may want to consider the "Music for Little Mozarts" series (which follow cartoon theme characters Beethoven Bear and Mozart Mouse). But the "Premier Piano Course" series is better for the age 6-8 set, for either pure beginners or kids who have graduated from the Little Mozart series. All the songs in the Premier Piano Course 1a series have really fun, catchy melodies and lyrics that the children really respond to and want to play. For any of the Alfred series, buying the version with the CD-ROMs included is essential fun for your kids. My child loves playing a piece simultaneously with its playback from the CD. The CD's have always included tracks for each song at both performance tempo (faster), and practice tempo (slower), along with simultaneous accompaniment playback which helps immerse the child in their playing (like they would be with their piano teacher) and provide built-in encouragement which is particularly helpful if parents are unable to play the accompaniments during home practice. It makes it fun and gives clear feedback for your child on what to shoot for. Playing along with the CD's is great prep for piano recitals or demonstrating progress at home too.

This book is ideal for 6-8 year old beginning pianists. Few black key songs, lots of white key songs and offers tons of on-and-off-staff songs in jazz, Asian, folk and classical genres will make teacher and child smile!

Great piano books for beginners, easy to follow. My daughter doesn't need additional help to complete the lessons and practice on her own like some of the other series of books we had tried.

Used this for many years with my beginning students. I like the addition of this to the Alfred Method. The addition of the rehearsal cd is a bonus.

Client ordered this product and he loved it.

great book for beginner piano players.

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