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The Sound Of Music: Beginners Piano Book



Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

I bought this 'Sound of Music:Easy Plano' and an 'Easy Piano' edition of Mary Poppins at the same time, for a specific piano student to use....and I noticed that the Mary Poppins book DID follow the usual 'Easy Piano' guidelines but this edition of Sound of Music does not."Easy Piano" these days implies specific guidelines for arrangers/editors.Unless I am mistaken, this edition does not follow the current guidelines for 'Easy Piano'.Maybe in the early 60's when these arrangements were made by Mark Nevin,this WAS the current style for 'Easy Piano'. But today's typical 'Easy Piano' is easier than this.Therefore the product listing is misleading: "The Sound of Music: Easy Piano".In my case, this was not what I wanted. I can use this book with another student,but not with the student I bought it for.Specifically, these arrangements include lots of slurs, staccato, crescendo, diminuendo,dotted eighth sixteenths, eighth note triplets, and a smaller font size typical of older engravings.The note choices (no more than two notes at once in either hand) do seem fine for Easy Piano.There is a supposedly simpler edition called 'Beginner Piano Solos' edited by Bill Boyd,I have that on order, because this edition does not fit the parameters I wanted for a certain student.I also ordered an easy piano edition with play a long CD, and will try that one out too.What SHOULD this

edition be listed as, if not 'Easy Piano'? Maybe 'Early Intermediate'?

These songs are fairly easy arrangements, but the key most of these songs are written in is absolutely awful. The bass line is jarring and doesn't gel with the top line at ALL. I tried playing the bass line in treble clef, thinking the manufacturer had made some mistake, but no, that didn't help either. The book is cheaply made and it looks like it was copied on a 1980s copy machine. Save your money, find a better book with your favorite Sound of Music songs, one that includes ALL the song from the movie. What a disappointment.

I think if a beginner student who has about one year's private piano lesson (I mean at least one hour lesson a week), then he can start to play some songs in this book. My Favorite Things seems to be the easier one. If a student is intermediate level, he will enjoy this book more. I like the choice of this book, most songs are well-known. Such as Edelweiss, Do-Re-Mi and The Sound of Music.

This book is useless for most people who would like to play these songs. It is designed for the student to play only the top staff and the teacher would play the lower clef which doesn't even appear on the page with the written music. Don't waste your money buying this unless this is what you want. I thought it would be helpful for my wife to use while learning these songs and she was the first to say how useless it was since it had no lower staff.

Does not include all of the songs from the movie but has most. Bass clef arrangements are not always pleasing to the ear but that's an easy fix by playing chords instead of written bass clef notes in those areas that sound less than pleasing. I'm an advanced beginner and I'm enjoying learning and playing the songs.

These classic songs are great for several number of levels of students. Even though they may be for young players, the essence of the song is not diminished.

I bought this for my two daughters who both take piano lessons. They have been singing the songs for months so I thought they'd enjoy learning to play the music. It's a great book for young learners.

The music is easy to read and play. I also purchased the movie and my granddaughter [she is taking piano lessons] and I really enjoyed the movie and being able to play the music from it.

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