

## Keyboard

### Technique:

- Player should learn the five-finger position for all key signatures. Having a relaxed hand position will allow for more dexterity and stamina when playing for long periods of time, such as in worship sets.

### Warm-Ups:

- Five finger scales are a good way to warm up the hands and the mind. Transposing this pattern to different keys helps make the mind think fast about the new key signature, which is useful for on the fly key changes of a song

### Content:

- Students must learn how to read musical notation, from musical notes to how to read a staff, to how to read rhythms. Basic theory will be taught so that the student
- Students need to know the make-up and structure of the key signatures and how to make a scale. Knowing this will help them be able to play in any key signature that they are asked to. Students should also learn the number system, which teaches them how to make chords. This number system is universal for every key signature.
- Students should also start to train their ear by listening to different worship songs and figuring out the key signature and the chords that are being played. Having an ear for worship music will help with flexibility when needed in a set.

### Coordination:

- Students will learn to build up the coordination needed to differentiate the patterns and chord played between the two hands. The Student will start off by playing very basic patterns doubled in the hands and will eventually be able to separate their hands and play more complex music.

### Communication:

- Communication in a band is a very crucial and under rated tool that is needed for a group to go to the next level. Communication between the different roles on stage is pivotal when leading worship as the mood can change in an instant. Being able to communicate between leaders on the fly is crucial in the development of the worship team.

### Books:

- Alfred's Basic Adult Piano Course: Lesson Book, Level One, Willard A. Palmer
  - [https://www.amazon.com/Alfreds-Basic-Adult-Piano-Course/dp/0882846167?ref=fscpl\\_pl\\_dp\\_4](https://www.amazon.com/Alfreds-Basic-Adult-Piano-Course/dp/0882846167?ref=fscpl_pl_dp_4)
- Adult All-In-One Course: Lesson-Theory-Technic: Level 1, Willard A. Palmer
  - [https://www.amazon.com/Adult-All-One-Course-Lesson-Theory-Technic/dp/0882848186/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1537388915&sr=1-1](https://www.amazon.com/Adult-All-One-Course-Lesson-Theory-Technic/dp/0882848186/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1537388915&sr=1-1)