

e-z theory: 18 Major Scale and Keynote

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About scales

Explain what is meant by the term 'scale':

What major scale is formed using only the white notes on the piano keyboard?

Explain what is meant by the term 'octave':

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Writing scales

Try writing out a C major scale, ascending then descending, using semibreves in the treble clef:



Now try the same in the bass clef:



Hints and tips

If you need any help, try watching our e-zone video on the major scale and keynote



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About keynotes

Explain what is meant by the term 'keynote':

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Scalic intervals

Write out the sequence of intervals in a major scale in terms of tones and semitones: (use 'T' for tone and 'S' for semitone)

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