

BLAST-OFF

FROM ROW-OFF

A PERCUSSION SERIES FOR GRADES 1 & 2

Yuletide Buckets

A Collection of 3 Holiday Percussion Ensembles
(with Buckets!)

Jingle Buckets/arr. by Chris Crockarell/1:08

Up On the Bucket Top/arr. by Chris Crockarell/1:49

Deck the Halls (With Buckets!)/arr. by C. Crockarell/1:17

(All pieces contain 4 parts)

Instrumentation

A Metal and Wooden Keyboard part for each ensemble,
Snare Drum, (2) Toms, Suspended Cymbal,
Sleigh Bells, Slide Whistle, (3) Temple or Jam Blocks,
Triangle, Siren, Ratchet, 5-Gallon Plastic Buckets!

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Notes from the arranger...

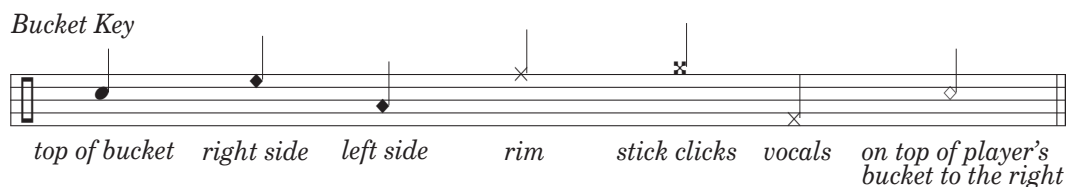
Since "buckets" have become such a popular percussion "toy" over the years, we thought it would be fun to incorporate them into a holiday Blast Off package! Each of these three ensembles are written with parts for Metal Keys (bells & vibraphone) & Wooden Keys (xylophone & marimba). If you have access to all four types of percussion keyboards... fantastic! If not, the tunes will still work with bells & xylo, only. Also included are the Bucket and Percussion parts. The bucket players have a bucket "key" in their "Up On the Bucket Top" part.

Keep a good balance between parts with the number of players you have. For instance, don't use eight bucketeers if you only have one bells and xylo player. If you can use all four different mallet instruments, you could blow it out to four to six bucketeers. Also, it may be helpful to split the percussion parts into two or three players, if you can. There are some quick changes between percussion instruments.

If you find the players are too shy to perform the rap in "Up On the Bucket Top", it can be omitted and will work with the stick clicks and written solos. (Remind them that rappers make a LOT of money, though!)

The buckets can be performed by placing them on the floor or snare drum stands. Use a thinner stick, which will add more life to your bucket top. :) There is also a pvc bucket-bar tutorial video, if you and your boosters wish to get adventurous! <https://youtu.be/wRoC7B6KaCI>

We hope you enjoy performing these fun, festive, holiday tidbits!



Jingle Buckets

arr. by Chris Crockarell

♩ = 120-124

Metal Keys
 Wooden Keys
 Buckets
 Percussion

f *f* *fp* *f* *fp* *f* *fp*

(sides) (rim) (top)

suspended cymbal (w / stick) *f* l.v. (let ring) snare drum *f* stick clicks

R R L R L R L R L R R L R L R B

Metal Keys
 Wooden Keys
 Buckets
 Percussion

5 6 7 8

Hey! Ho! San-ta! Hey! Ho! San-ta! Hey! Ho! San-ta! Hey! Ho! San-ta!

sleigh bells

Hey! Ho! San-ta!

A

Metal Keys
 Wooden Keys
 Buckets
 Percussion

9 10 11 12

Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha!

stick shots

Ha! Ha! Ha!

f *mf* *mf*

R L R L R L R L

Up On the Bucket Top

arr. by Chris Crockarell

♩ = 104-110

Metal Keys

Wooden Keys

Buckets

Percussion

2

3

roll on bells only

mf

on rim

sleigh bells

mf

Metal Keys

Wooden Keys

Buckets

Percussion

4

5

6

mf

mf

L R R L L R R L

Metal Keys

Wooden Keys

Buckets

Percussion

7

8

9

mf

f

glissando

L R L R L R

f

Up On the Bucket Top

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C

stick clicks

mf

stick clicks

mf

stick clicks

mf

sleigh bells

mf

solo

f

Up on the house - top

Down the chim - ney

solo

f

Down the chim - ney

f

Click! Click! Click!

f

Click! Click! Click!

With

solo

f

Good Saint Nick!

Fill those stock-ings

solo

f

Good Saint Nick!

Fill those stock-ings

With

lots uh toys!

f

Good Saint Nick!

Good Saint Nick!

With

lots uh toys!

Deck the Halls

With Buckets!

arr. by Chris Crockarell

♩ = 110-120

lower dbl. stop notes
optional
bells only play "f"s

Metal Keys

Wooden Keys

Buckets

Percussion

2

3

f

f

◇ = play on top of bucket to your right

f suspended cymbal w/ mallet, in left hand

fp mounted triangle, rolled w/ right hand

f

mf

Metal Keys

Wooden Keys

Buckets

Percussion

4

5

6

f

p

R L R L

R L R

to suspended cymbal

Metal Keys

Wooden Keys

Buckets

Percussion

7

8

9

10

mp

f

mp

f

suspended cymbal

p

vibes only - pedal through bar 10

vibes play top notes, bells lower octave

An idea, throw on some santa hats and add some visual fun during this 4 bar break!