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About “Rhythmology for Snare Drum”

“Rhythmology for Snare Drum” is a collection of solos, duets, trios, and a quartet composed for the beginning to intermediate percussionist. Being band directors ourselves, we understand the needs of both developing percussionists and the band directors who try to find suitable music for those students. The pieces come from writing for our own middle school students, and most of the pieces have been performed by those students at Solo & Ensemble festivals over the past few years. “Rhythmology” contains 8 solos, 6 duets, 3 trios, and a quartet (some with added multi-percussion) to inspire and challenge the percussionists in your program. The pieces contain elements of both concert and rudimental snare drumming, and they can be used as a supplement with the “Toolbox” series (available from Row-Loff) or with other band method books.

Solo #1 - Grade 1

First Time Out

by John R. Hearn

♩ = 100-120

A

B

rim

B *rim*

13 x x x x 14 x x x x 15 x x x x 16 x x x x

R L R R L R L L R R R L R L R R L R R R L R R L L

f

This image shows a hand drumming pattern labeled 'B' on a staff with 16 measures. The pattern includes a box labeled 'B' with 'rim' written above it. Measure 13 starts with a vertical bar on the left, followed by a horizontal bar with a downward arrow. Measures 14, 15, and 16 each begin with a vertical bar. Measures 13, 15, and 16 contain 'x' marks above the notes. Measures 14 and 16 contain 'x' marks below the notes. Measures 13, 15, and 16 also have 'x' marks to the right of the notes. Below the staff, a series of letters (R, L) are repeated in groups of four, corresponding to the notes above them. The dynamic 'f' is at the bottom left.

C

Solo #3 - Grade 1.5

Bleebler Blabber

$\text{♩.} = 64+$ In One

($\bullet = 192+$)

Sheet music for measures 1-6. The tempo is indicated as $\text{♩.} = 64+$ In One and $\bullet = 192+$. The key signature is A major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time (indicated by a '4'). The dynamic is **f**. The notes are eighth notes. The first six measures show a pattern of alternating R and L strokes. Measure 1: R, L, R. Measure 2: L, R, L. Measure 3: R, L, R, L. Measure 4: R, L, R, L. Measure 5: R, L, R. Measure 6: L, R, L.

Sheet music for measures 7-12. The key signature changes to D major (one sharp). The time signature is common time. The dynamic is **p**. Measures 7-12 show a more complex pattern of R, R, R, L, L, R strokes. Measure 7: R, R, R, L, L, R. Measure 8: L, L, R, R, L, R. Measure 9: R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 10: R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 11: R, L, R, L, R, R. Measure 12: R, L, R, L, R, R.

Sheet music for measures 13-18. The key signature changes to G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time. The dynamic is **mf**. Measures 13-18 show a pattern of R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L strokes. Measure 13: R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 14: R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 15: R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 16: R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 17: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R. Measure 18: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R.

Sheet music for measures 19-24. The key signature changes to E major (two sharps). The time signature is common time. Measures 19-24 show a pattern of R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L strokes. Measure 19: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 20: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 21: R, L, R, R, R, L, R, L. Measure 22: R, L, R, R, R, L, R, L. Measure 23: R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L. Measure 24: R, L, R, L, R, L, R, L.

Sheet music for measures 25-30. The key signature changes to C major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time. Measures 25-30 show a pattern of R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L strokes. Measure 25: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L. Measure 26: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L. Measure 27: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L. Measure 28: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L. Measure 29: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L. Measure 30: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, R, L.

Sheet music for measures 31-36. The key signature changes to F major (no sharps or flats). The time signature is common time. The dynamic is **f**. Measures 31-36 show a pattern of R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L strokes. Measure 31: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 32: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 33: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 34: R, L, R, R, L, R, R, L. Measure 35: R, R, L, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 36: L, L, R, R, L, R, R, L.

Sheet music for measures 37-42. The key signature changes to G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time. Measures 37-42 show a pattern of R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L strokes. Measure 37: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 38: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 39: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 40: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 41: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L. Measure 42: R, L, R, L, R, R, R, L.

Full Count

by John R. Hearnes

 **mf**



A

B

C

Drive-In

by David England

• = 126+

rim

f

snares off

f

rim

p

p

A

f

f

f

B

p

f

f

Pick 3

by John R. Hearnes

Tempo: = 100-112

Measure 1: *f*

Measure 2: 2 *R L R L*

Measure 3: *mp*

Measure 4: 4 *R L R L*

Measure 5: *f*

Measure 6: 6 *R R L L R L R L*

Measure 7: 7 *R*

Measure 8: 8 *R L R L*

Measure 9: *A*

Measure 10: *mf*

Measure 11: 11 *B = both hands*

Measure 12: 12 *R L R L R L R L*

Measure 13: *mf*

Measure 14: *R R R R R R L R*

Measure 15: *L R B*

Measure 16: 16 *R R R R R R R R*

stick shots (right stick on left stick)

leave left stick on drum head

B = both hands

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B = both hands

Family of Four?

by David England

= 146+ Aggressively

snare

toms (2)

tenor drum or small tom

bass drum and sus. cym.

A

p

p *rim*

p *f*

B

mf

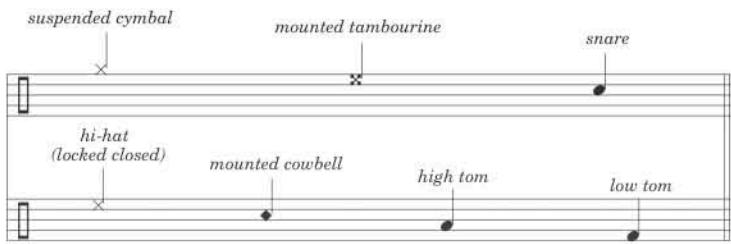
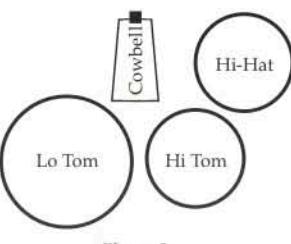
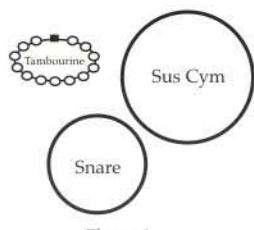
mf

mf

Multimatum

by John R. Hearnes

Set-Up



♩ = 108-116