

Rumbango

Rumba Rhythms



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This fun piece swings between two different rhythm patterns, including the Rumba (123, 123, 12) rhythm. Keep your timing as tight as possible!

Ritmico

The musical score for 'Rumbango' is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The piece consists of 24 measures, divided into six staves of four measures each. The first staff begins with a 'mf' dynamic marking. The second staff starts with a measure number '5'. The third staff starts with a measure number '9' and a repeat sign. The fourth staff starts with a measure number '12' and a 'f' dynamic marking. The fifth staff starts with a measure number '16' and a 'f' dynamic marking. The sixth staff starts with a measure number '20'. The score includes various rhythmic notations, including eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and beams. Above the notes, there are 'V' markings and some numbers (4, 0) indicating specific rhythmic patterns or fingerings. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Activities

- 1) **Say** both of the main rhythm patterns: *quick slow, quick slow slow* (for bar 1 onwards) and *123, 123, 12* (for the Rumba pattern - bar 9 onwards)
- 2) **Practise** both rhythms slowly using a B Major scale, first with a metronome, then without. Then speed it up.
- 3) **Swap** between the rhythms; play 1 bar of each pattern on every note of the scale.