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Alfred's Basic Adult Piano Course CD For Lesson Book: Level 1



Synopsis

A beginning course for adults who prefer a chord approach. It teaches chords for both hands so that the student can play more than single note melodies. It contains outstanding songs such as "The Entertainer," "Scarborough Fair," "Greensleeves" and "Amazing Grace."

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Customer Reviews

Do not buy! Some smart ass decide to mix heavy background instruments sounds along the notes you see. The worst part is that the notes weren't played in piano. It is very annoy. I was aware of it before bought it thinking that I will just use it to get the right tempo. If you are thinking the same thing, do not make the same mistake I did. Do not buy, this is not even good enough to get the tempo right since it weren't played in piano.

This is the CD corresponding to Alfred's Basic Adult Piano Course Level 1. I expected a piano to be playing the music. That is, after all, the instrument we're trying to learn and the reason why we bought the Alfred book and CD in the first place. Instead, as another reviewer noted, what is presented is Muzak. If there is a piano present, it's hard to pick it out. I wouldn't say the CD is worthless, but it certainly isn't worth very much. Addendum: A surprising number of Alfred's Basic Adult Piano Course Level 1 videos can be found on Youtube.

this CD I bought, each song does not match the # on the book I bought (for example, #75 on the book is actually #56 on the CD). I have been playing the guessing game for each song I am practicing. I also do not like that each song was recorded with lots of other instruments so it is so hard to try to detect the piano keys in it...A total disaster to me. But luckily, I recently found out that it is much easier to just watch Youtube, each song has multiple demo lessons (from slow to fast), it is so much easier to just use the book, and find the demo on Youtube, if you have not found out, try. Do not buy this CD...this is my advise.

I'm trying to learn the piece and would prefer to hear the piano performance of what I'm learning, but this is instrumentals, and its of absolutely no help to me.

I would have given this five stars if it had included instruments other than the piano. When you're learning to play a piece on the piano you dont need to hear other instruments drowning out the notes and rhythms you are trying to concentrate on. When the accompaniment is not the best it could be and its overpowering it makes it difficult to learn the piece you're working on. Even though the CD wasnt as good as I had hoped for it was better than not having anything at all. I was able to distinguish some of the examples and to play along with them despite the annoying accompaniments, so I gave it 4 stars.

I don't understand why the makers of so good an intro to piano book would 1) sell the CD to accompany the book separately and 2) include a CD with awful sounding Muzak instead of real piano sound. This is insulting to anyone trying to teach themselves piano. For me, it helps greatly to hear the melody a few times on CD before I play, but I dread putting this CD into my stereo for fear that my neighbors will hear the world's worst Muzak!

Some other reviewers raised concerns that this isn't the correct CD, but they're mistaken, or they're using a completely different book. This CD is, track-for-track, meant for Alfred's Basic Adult Piano Course Level

One:http://www..com/Alfreds-Basic-Adult-Course-Lesson/dp/0739082418/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1358891858&sr=8-1&keywords=alfred%27s+basic+adult+piano+courseThat being said, it fits its purpose just fine as a companion to the book. I bought it so that I could check my timing and make sure that all of my notes sounded right. If you're learning completely solo, as I am, then this CD is a very useful tool. But the music is, as has been stated in at least one other review, utterly atrocious. It

would have been forgivable if they just set the beat and then played out the piano part for you to follow, but for some insane reason they decided to add a bunch of synthesized instruments as accompaniment. It sounds like someone handed out kazoos on a school bus ride to hell. Again, the CD suits its purpose just fine. If you're learning from the book and want to hear the rhythm and notes, then it's absolutely worth it, but ONLY in that case.

A gift for a friend taking piano lessons. She Loves it.

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