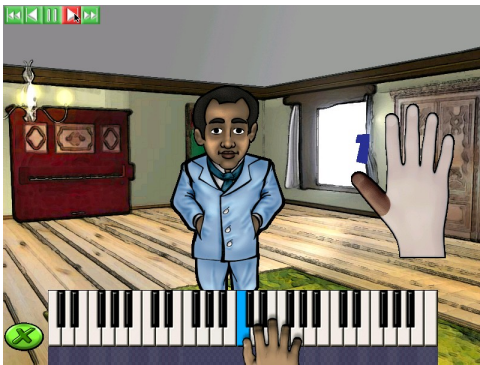




Lesson 11

Today in Class



Today in class we had a new teacher! Mr. Scott Joplin who is the “King of Ragtime Music” introduced us to the concept of using all five fingers on our right hand, rather than just our pointer fingers. Using all five fingers is difficult because each finger has its own special note to play. It’s also tricky to use just one finger at a time and make the other fingers wait their turn!

This Week at Home

- Go over the lesson with a parent and listen to the music of Scott Joplin. Is it happy music or sad music? How does it make your body want to move?
- Show your adult how you put the thumb of your right hand on its side on “Middle C”. Then put the rest of your fingers on the neighbor keys. Remember to check for the ant tunnel under your hand! Each key gets its own special finger.
- Can your adult do it? Remind Mum or Dad that the thumb lies on its side and all the other fingers stand on their tippy toes.
- Visit Miss Melody to hear some outdoor music by George Frederick Handel. He wrote music for the King of England. Miss Melody will help with some review.
- Play some of your favorite games in the Games Room.
- In the Improv Room see if you can make a song for outdoors. Will it be a loud song or a quiet song?