

Alfred's

Premier Piano Express

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FOREWORD

Alfred's *Premier Piano Express* Christmas Book 1 includes familiar Christmas pieces that reinforce concepts included in the All-In-One Accelerated Course, Book 1 of *Premier Piano Express*. The music continues the strong pedagogical focus of the course while providing the enjoyment of playing familiar music during the Christmas season.

Christmas Book 1 is not correlated page by page with *Premier Piano Express*, Book 1. The Christmas pieces in this book can be studied after the student has begun reading on the staff (pp. 18–42). They are arranged in progressive order of difficulty with the easiest pieces first, though it is not necessary to progress straight through the book.

Allowing students to study music they enjoy during the Christmas season is highly motivating. Consequently, reading and rhythm skills often improve greatly when studying holiday music. The authors hope that the music in Christmas Book 1 brings hours of enjoyment to this festive season. Merry Christmas!

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