

Incremental Major Scales

Begin at a slow, manageable tempo practicing the hands separately. (All scales with standard C fingering)

Continue playing until you come across a difficult section; drill that several times. If it still causes problems, back down to the previous section and/or slow down further.

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C Major

Optional: use different-colored highlighters for groups of 1-2-3/3-2-1 and 1-2-3-4/4-3-2-1!

G Major

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