



Christmas Book • Level 1A

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This book may be used by students in Level 1A of Alfred's Basic Piano Library or in the first book of any method.

The enduring charm of the Christmas season brings out the need for composers to express their feelings in newly-created Christmas music each year. Over the past century, many of these songs have become as well-known and loved as the traditional carols.

For this *Top Hits Christmas* series (Levels 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4) we have selected only those new musical favorites that have become a permanent part of the Christmas season, and arranged them for young piano students. When combined with the traditional carols available in Alfred's *Merry Christmas!* series (Levels 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4), piano students have at their fingertips all the music they would want to perform during the holiday season.

HAND POSITION: The Christmas songs in this book are limited to Middle C Position (with accidentals).

PROGRESSIVE ORDER: Although placed in approximate order of difficulty, the songs may be played in any order. Students will usually play the rhythms correctly from memory or, if not, they can be quickly taught by rote.

DUETS: Every Christmas song in this book has a duet part. These songs make excellent student-teacher or student-parent duets. Both solo and duet parts contain measure numbers for easy reference.

The arrangers and editors wish the teacher, student and parents a very merry Christmas and hope you will enjoy the new and special arrangements of Christmas music found in this book.

Christmas Song, The (Arr. by Dennis Alexander)
(Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire) 10

Frosty the Snow Man (Arr. by Sharon Aaronson). 2

Happy Holiday (Arr. by George Peter Tingley)
from the Motion Picture Irving Berlin's HOLIDAY INN. 4

(There's No Place Like) Home for the Holidays
(Arr. by Margaret Goldston) 8

I'll Be Home for Christmas
(Arr. by Catherine Rollin) 14

Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!
(Arr. by Tom Gerou). 12

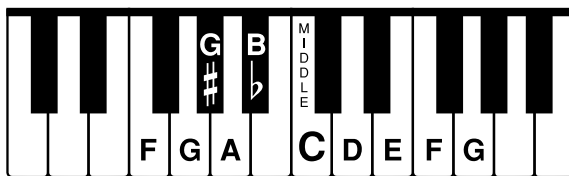
Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer
(Arr. by Martha Mier) 6

We Need a Little Christmas *from MAME*
(Arr. by Christine H. Barden) 16



(There's No Place Like)
**Home for the
 Holidays**

MIDDLE C POSITION (with B \flat)



5 4 3 2 ① 2 3 4 5

LH 4 plays G or G#.

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 Music by Robert Allen
 Arr. by Margaret Goldston

Moderately

DUET PART (Student plays one octave higher than written.)

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