

Objective

By the end of this lesson, Matilda will be able to play a simple melody on the Yousician Piano app.

Materials and Prep

Materials Needed:

- Yousician Piano app installed on a tablet or computer
- Headphones
- Piano or keyboard

Prep:

Ensure the Yousician Piano app is set up and ready to use. Clear a space for Matilda to comfortably play the piano.

Activities

- **Warm-up with Finger Exercises:** Start by practicing finger exercises to strengthen Matilda's fingers and improve dexterity.
- **Learn a New Song:** Choose a simple song on the Yousician app for Matilda to learn. Follow the app's instructions and practice playing the notes.
- **Music Theory Fun:** Introduce basic music theory concepts such as high and low notes, rhythm, and melody through interactive games on the app.
- **Create Your Own Tune:** Encourage Matilda to experiment with creating her own melodies using the keys on the piano. Let creativity flow!

Talking Points

- "Music is like a language that we can play on the piano. Each note is like a word in a story."
- "When we practice playing the piano, our fingers get stronger, just like when we practice riding a bike."
- "Can you find the high notes that sound like a bird singing? What about the low notes that sound like a giant's footsteps?"
- "Let's make up a happy melody using these notes. What do you think it should sound like?"