

Jive Cats

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Grade 1/2

Jive Cats is in our very beginning band series designed to play after only 5 - 7 lessons. It will also sound with only 1 flute, 2 clarinets, 1 alto saxophone, and 1 trumpet. Parts are not doubled. As you add more instruments it will sound richer and fuller, not just louder which is what happens when a work is overdubbed.

The purpose of Jive Cats is to aid in teaching. While playing a 12 bar blues with real jazz and rock harmonies, the student must pay attention to rhythms and articulation. These things are not complex, but if they do not count, the student may play an unexpected solo. It is also an opportunity to allow students to improvise. Even at this very young age, there are students willing to give it a try. Do not get into a great explanation for chords, etc. Just tell them they can play any note they wish and it will sound good. The major 7th of the key is the only note that may sound off a bit, but even that note will work. I always encourage creativity.

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Instrumentation:

1	Conductor	3	B♭ Trumpet 1
5	Flute 1	3	B♭ Trumpet 2
5	Flute 2	2	F Horn
6	B♭ Clarinet 1	3	Trombone
6	B♭ Clarinet 2	2	Euphonium
2	B♭ Bass Clarinet	2	Baritone T. C.
2	E♭ Alto Saxophone 1	3	Tuba
2	E♭ Alto Saxophone 2	2	Snare Drum/Bass Drum
2	B♭ Tenor Saxophone	2	Suspended Cymbal
2	E♭ Baritone Saxophone	2	Orchestra Bells
2	Bassoon		

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(duration: 2'10")

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Moderate Rock Tempo ♩=108

Flute 1
Flute 2/
Oboe

B♭ Clarinet
1, 2

B♭ Bass
Clarinet

E♭ Alto
Saxophone
1, 2

B♭ Tenor
Saxophone

E♭ Baritone
Saxophone

Bassoon

B♭ Trumpet
1, 2

F Horn

Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

S.D.
B.D.

Suspended
Cymbals

Orchestral
Bells

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[illegible]

Fl. 1, 2
Ob.

B♭ Cl.
1, 2

B♭ B.
Cl.

E♭ A.
Sax.
1, 2

B♭ T.
Sax.

E♭ B.
Sax.

Bsn.

B♭ Tpt.
1, 2

F Hn.

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

S.D.
B.D.

Sus.
Cym.

Orch.
Bells

Measures 18 through 24 are shown. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and dynamic markings like *ff* (fortissimo) at the end of measures 23 and 24. Chord symbols $B\flat^{13}$ and C^9 are indicated above the Orch. Bells staff.