

Day Six: Treble Clef Spaces

Tip for Today:

When sight reading, there are clues to help you recognize notes quickly. Your grandmother will remember being taught that the space notes in the treble clef spell the word “FACE”. This is definitely an old trick, but it is worth understanding! (The Note Reading book in the Sight Reading Secrets series gives you lots of practice with recognizing individual notes using this method.)

Preparation:



Beneath each note, write its letter name:



Once you have learned which notes are on the treble clef spaces, you can use this “FACE” trick to quickly find notes in your sight reading examples. Look at the example below:



The first note in this example is on the highest space in the treble, so counting up from the bottom, the top note is F – A – C – E! It’s E. The last note in this example is the second highest space in the treble, so counting up from the bottom, the second highest note is F – A – C! It’s C.

Let’s Try:

Play the above example, considering where to place your hand before you start.

More Practice:

