

Alto Saxophone

# Giant Steps Exercise

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**Fast!**

Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7 E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7

Musical staff 1: Treble clef, 4/4 time signature. The staff contains the first measure of the exercise, starting with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The notes are: Ab (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter).

Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

Musical staff 2: Treble clef. The staff contains the second measure of the exercise. The notes are: Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), Emaj7 (quarter), Bbm7 (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter).

Bbm7 Eb7

Musical staff 3: Treble clef. The staff contains the third measure of the exercise. The notes are: Bbm7 (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter).

Musical staff 4: Treble clef. The staff contains the fourth measure of the exercise. The notes are: Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter).

Musical staff 5: Treble clef. The staff contains the fifth measure of the exercise. The notes are: Bbm7 (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter).

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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

Musical staff 6: Treble clef. The staff contains the sixth measure of the exercise. The notes are: Ab (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter).

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7

Musical staff 7: Treble clef. The staff contains the seventh measure of the exercise. The notes are: E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), E (quarter), G7 (quarter), C (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter).

Cmaj7 F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

Musical staff 8: Treble clef. The staff contains the eighth measure of the exercise. The notes are: Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), Emaj7 (quarter), Bbm7 (quarter), Eb7 (quarter), Abmaj7 (quarter), Dm7 (quarter), G7 (quarter), Cmaj7 (quarter), F#m7 (quarter), B7 (quarter), Emaj7 (quarter), Bbm7 (quarter), Eb7 (quarter).



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E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7

Cmaj7 F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

6

Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7





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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7

Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7

Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

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F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7 E G7

C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7

Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

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Ab B7 E G7 Cmaj7 F#m7 B7

E G7 C Eb7 Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

Abmaj7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7

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**17**  $A\flat$   $B^7$   $E$   $G^7$   $C^{maj7}$   $F\sharp m^7$   $B^7$   $E$   $G^7$

$C$   $E\flat^7$   $A\flat^{maj7}$   $Dm^7$   $G^7$   $C^{maj7}$

$F\sharp m^7$   $B^7$   $E^{maj7}$   $B\flat m^7$   $E\flat^7$

$A\flat^{maj7}$   $Dm^7$   $G^7$   $C^{maj7}$   $B\flat m^7$   $E\flat^7$

**18**  $A\flat$   $B^7$   $E$   $G^7$   $C^{maj7}$   $F\sharp m^7$   $B^7$   $E$   $G^7$

$C$   $E\flat^7$   $A\flat^{maj7}$   $Dm^7$   $G^7$   $C^{maj7}$

$F\sharp m^7$   $B^7$   $E^{maj7}$   $B\flat m^7$   $E\flat^7$

$A\flat^{maj7}$   $Dm^7$   $G^7$   $C^{maj7}$   $B\flat m^7$   $E\flat^7$