



Make Space for Music

Skill Maps

UKULELE

BEGINNER LEVEL 1: 6-12 YRS.

Taaqademy's music teachers are carefully chosen for their musical ability, teaching aptitude, live performance experience and music qualifications - pretty much in that order. We can confidently claim to have some of the country's top musicians with us. As a result, we use a proprietary method of '**Skill Maps**' to bring structure and focus

to our classes, enabling our musicians to **avoid cookie-cutter methods** when working with students. Skill Maps provide **detailed specifics** on what students should be able to accomplish at every level while allowing our teachers to use their own **unique approaches**, songs, techniques and shortcuts to get students there!

UKULELE BEGINNER LEVEL 1: AREAS COVERED



MUSIC THEORY & FUNDAMENTALS



SIGHT READING



EAR TRAINING



SONG LEARNING



MUSCULAR TRAINING

DETAILS ON PG.2



MUSIC THEORY & FUNDAMENTALS

- Conceptual knowledge - pitch, duration, intensity, quality
- Note names and ability to find notes on a keyboard
- Ukulele string note names



EAR TRAINING

- Knowledge of basic pitch
- Ability to sing at least 3 distinct notes within one octave



MUSCULAR TRAINING

- Ability to play chromatic 2-finger exercises using quarter notes, with a metronome between 60 - 80 bpm



SIGHT READING

- Basics of staff notation
- Basics of reading ukulele tabs
- Reading pieces from Ukulele Method Book 1



SONG LEARNING

- Ability to play the easier pieces from RSL Debut

HOW LONG WILL THIS TAKE?

This question gets asked a lot! Allow us to give you a simple rule-of-thumb:

- At this level, if you **consistently** practice an avg. **30min - 1 hr. per day**, you can expect to have mastered the above in **3 months** (just **12 classes**) or less.
- If you practice around **2 hrs. per week**, this could **add 1 - 2 months**.
- If you practice **<1 hr. per week**, you could take **6 months!**