

Benefits of using the MT90U to play along with Audio Files (MP3, .wav)

There is a very cool and exciting educational feature that you may not be aware of that applies not only to piano students, but to any one in your family or studio that sings or plays any instrument. In addition to the MIDI files you have already been using, the MT-90U will play MP3 or .wav files.

What does this mean? This means you can take any CD or MP3 that you have and copy the song(s) to your USB Flash Drive and insert it into the MT-90U to play along with. You will have the following educational interactions available:

- Change the tempo by +/- 25% (Press Tempo then + or -)
- Transpose the key +/- 5 half steps (Hold Song and Press Track R)
- Remove the center channel, vocals, main part etc. (Turn off Track 4)
- Create practice loops (Press A/B and set the A/B marker points, press LOOP or REPEAT)

FAQ's

Why not just play my MP3's or CD's on my MP3 player or iPod? Because you can't slow it down, transpose it, create a practice loop, or remove the vocals.

What is the benefit of "removing the center channel"? This allows you to turn any CD or MP3 into a Karaoke Accompaniment to sing or play along with.

What is a practice loop? You can set an A/B marker to practice a certain section over and over until you get it. You can start SLOW and gradually increase the speed.

What is transpose? Transpose means to change the key of the song or piece. ie. the pitch is altered. Maybe you need to transpose so that it fits the singer/vocalist's range better. Maybe you are a trumpet player and you want to play along with a piano song. You would need to transpose down 2 half steps because a trumpet is a Bb instrument.

I have one child taking piano and one in the band. How can this help my band student? Most band methods come with a CD. Put the CD on the USB Flash Drive. Have your child practice their band instrument along with the CD and be able to slow it down, speed it up, transpose it, and create a practice loop.

How do I convert my CD to an MP3 or .wav file? You can use iTunes or Windows Media Player. If you need to know more details on the process use www.google.com or www.youtube.com to find out.