

half steps and sharps answer sheet

Recap: on the keyboard a half step is the note adjacent to it regardless if it is black or white



We may **raise** a note by a half step by using a # (sharp) sign.

memory tip: think of raising the note up in pitch or "sharpening" it.

A half step with the same letter name is called a chromatic half step (C to C#).

A half step with a different letter name is called a diatonic half step (C# to D).

memory tip: the word *diatonic* and *different* both begin with the letter D.

ANSWERS TO EXERCISES

1. 7 chromatic half steps:

C C#; D D#; E E#; F F#; G G#; A A#; B B#.

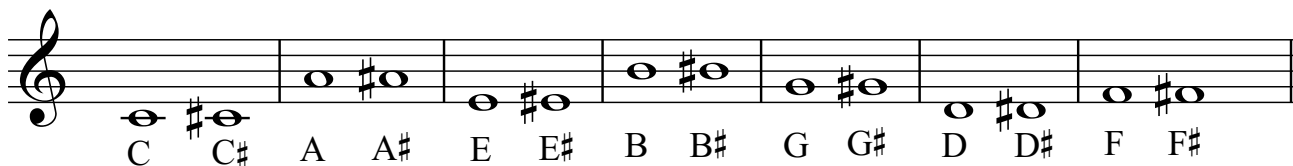
9 diatonic half steps:

C# D; D# E; E F; E# F#; F# G;

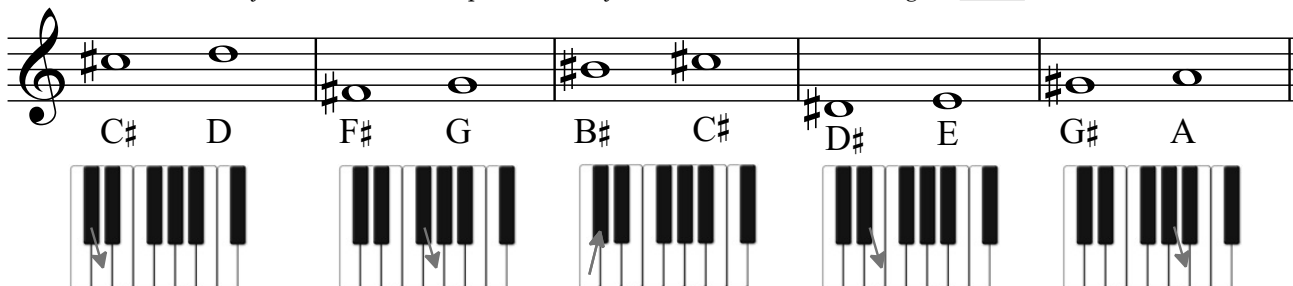
G# A; A# B; B C; B# C#.



2. Raise each note by a *chromatic* half step. Name the notes.



3. Raise each note by a *diatonic* half step. On the keyboard show the notes using an arrow.



4. Name the notes. Indicate if the half step is a *chromatic* (Chs) or *diatonic* (Dhs).

On the keyboard show the notes using an arrow.

