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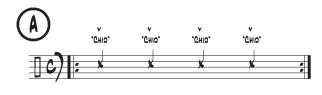
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Chapter 1: Letters

WARM-UP

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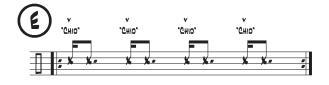
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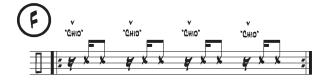


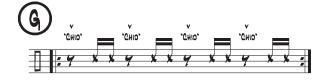


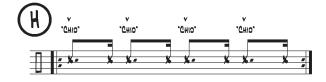


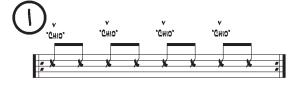


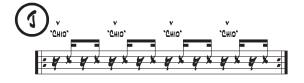


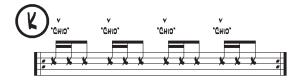


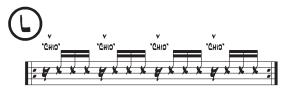


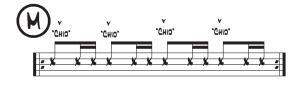


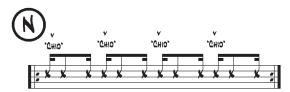


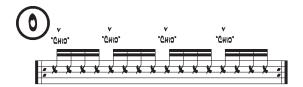


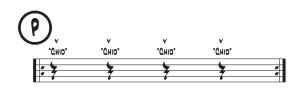










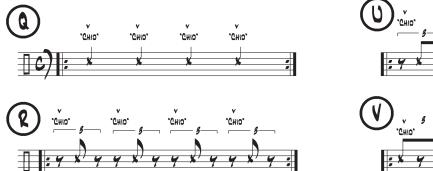


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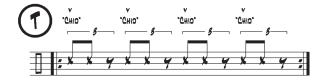
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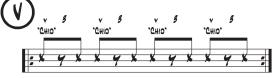
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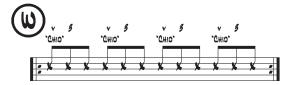




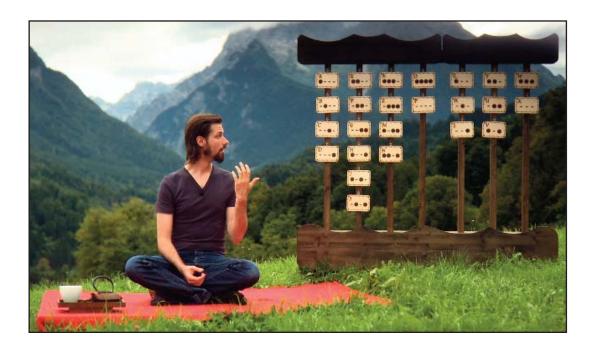










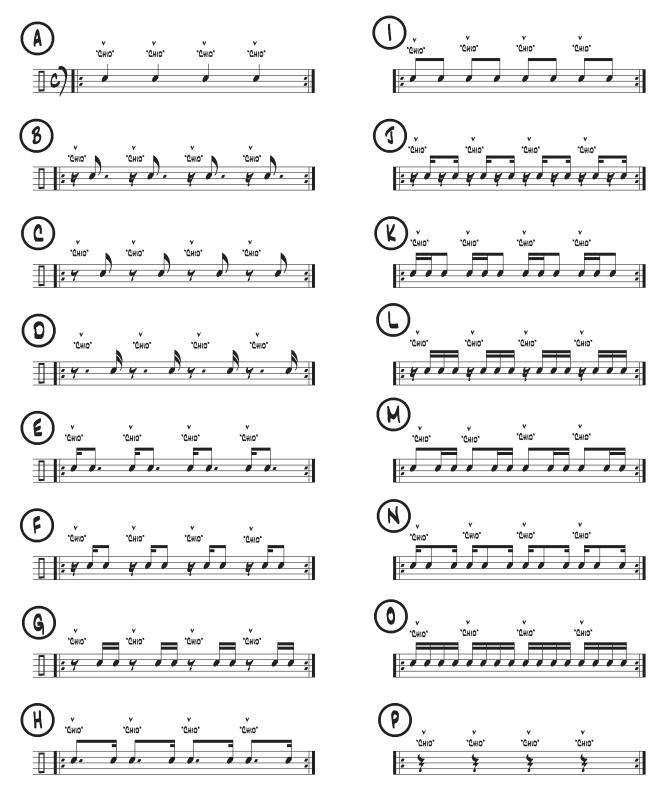


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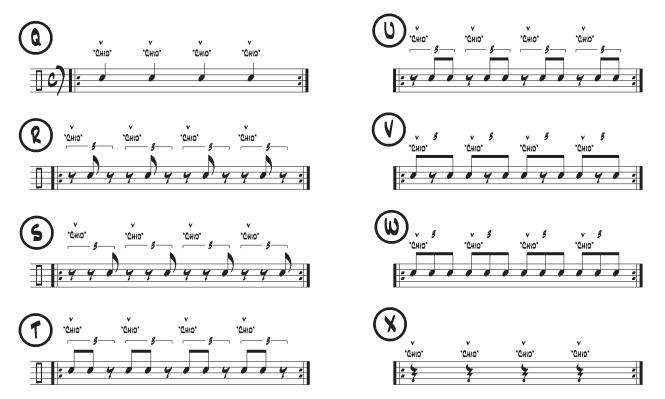


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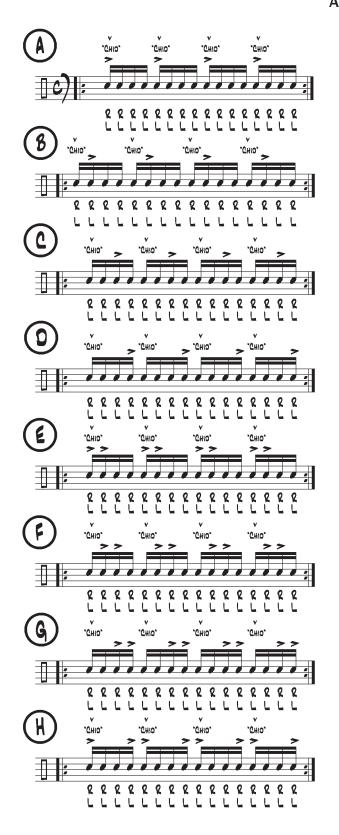
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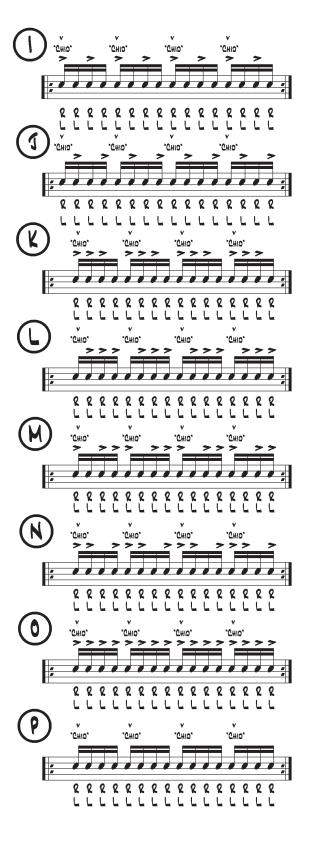
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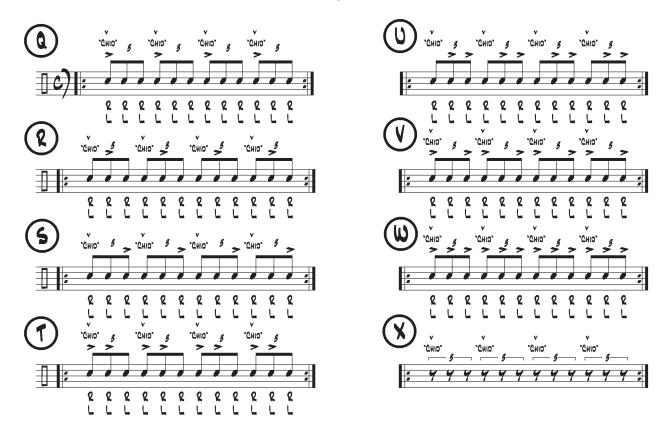
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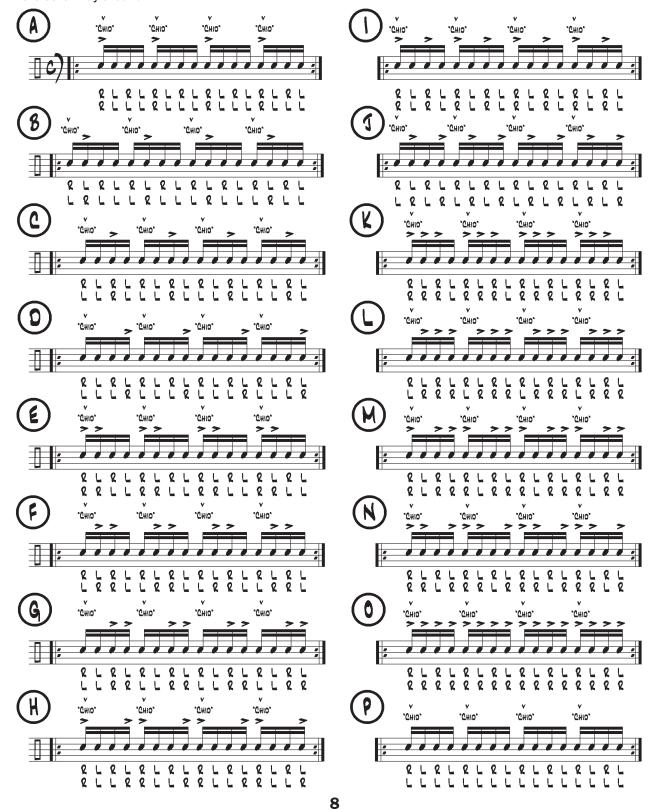


Chapter 1: Letters STICKING WORKOUT

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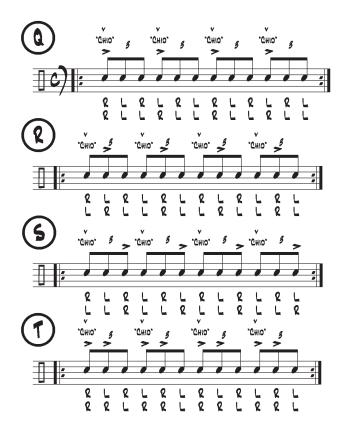
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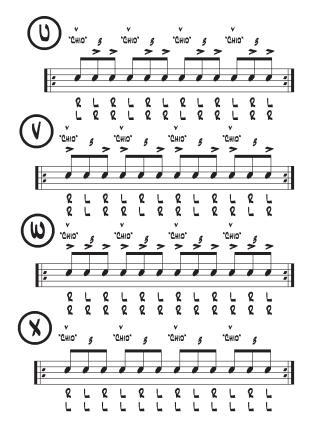


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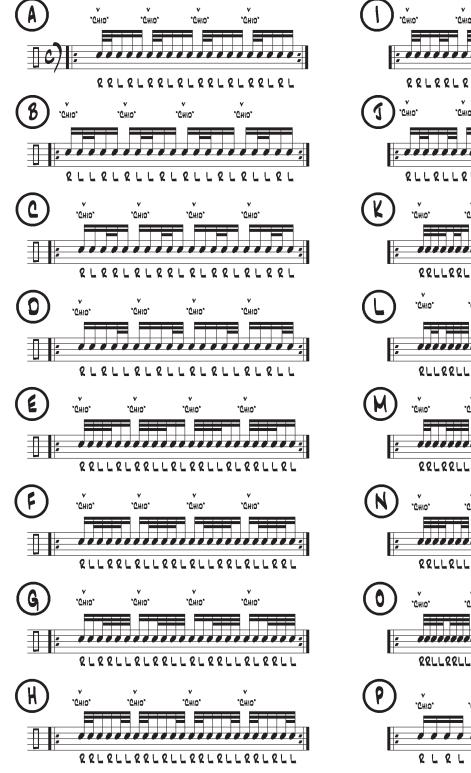


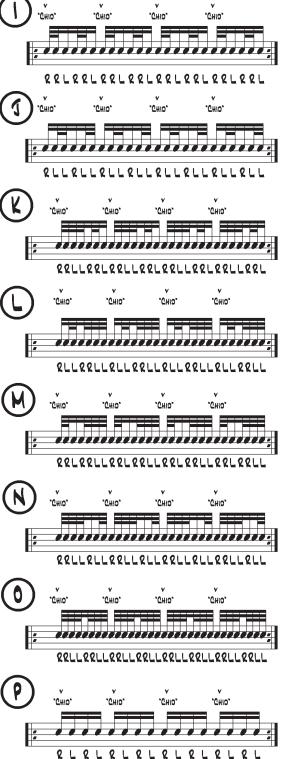


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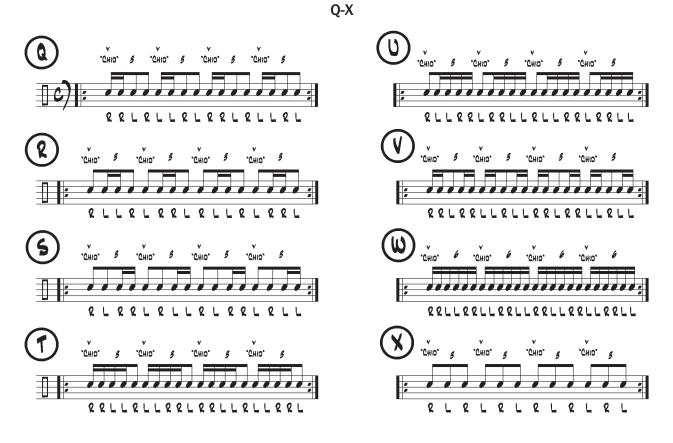
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Chapter 1: Letters RUDIMENTS: DIDDLES 1

Ternary





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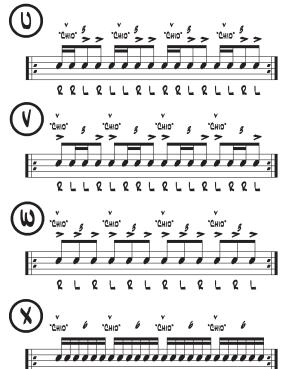
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Ternary Q-X





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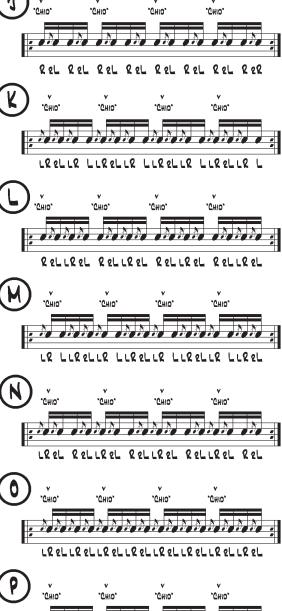


Chapter 1: Letters RUDIMENTS: FLAMS

Binary







2 L 2 6 2 L 26

26

"CHIO"

"CHIO"

Chapter 1: Letters RUDIMENTS: FLAMS

Ternary

-CHIO.

3

·CHIO: 3

"CHIO" 3

"CHID" 3

L

L 8 .CHID. 3

·CHID' 3

·CHIO- 3

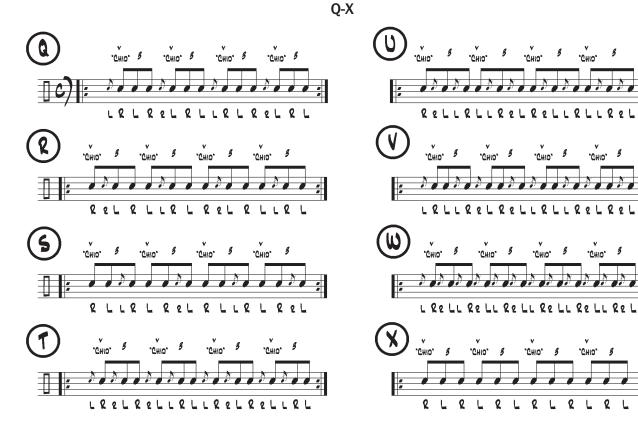
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"CHIO" 3

RLR

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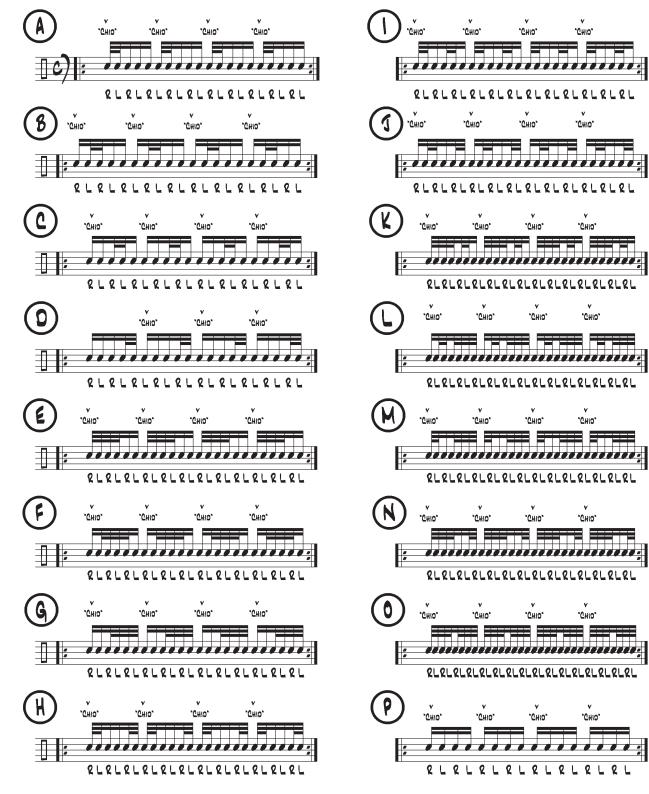


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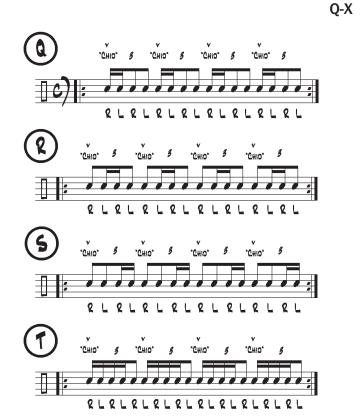
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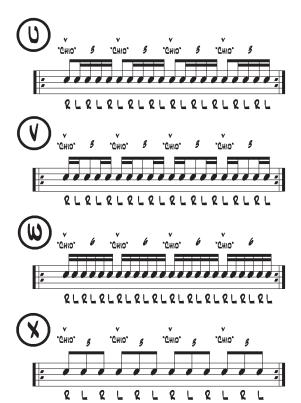


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RUDIMENTS: DOUBLE NOTE SINGLES

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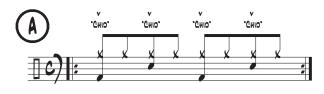


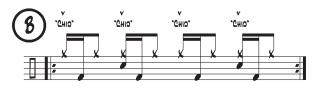
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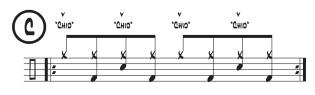
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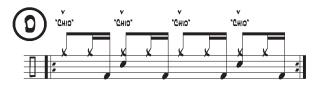


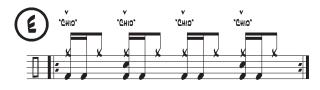
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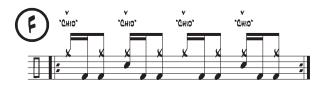


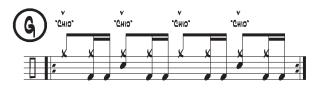


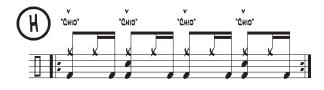


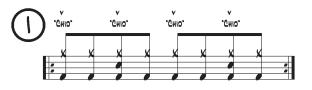


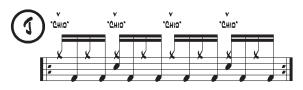


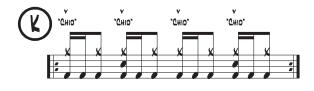


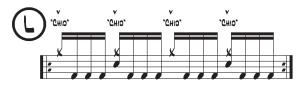


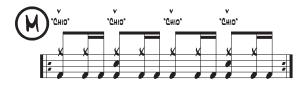


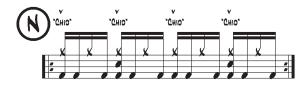


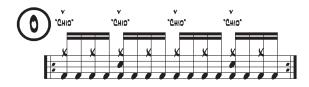


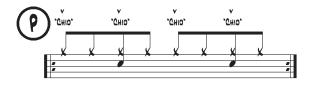




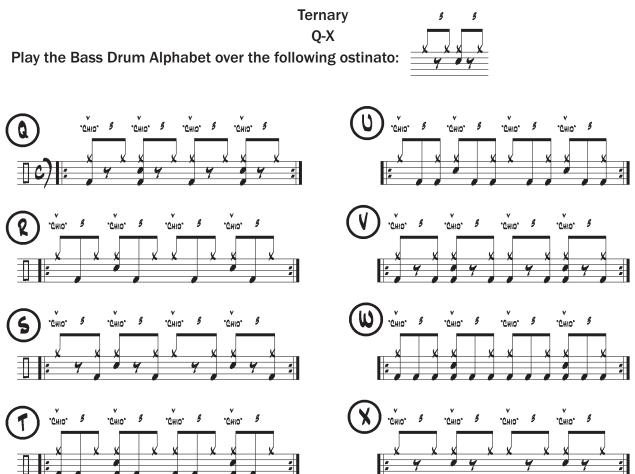










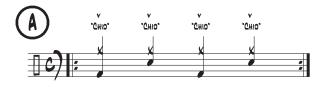


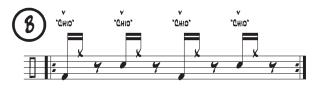


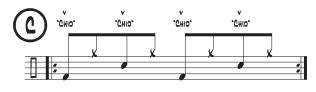


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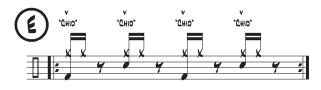
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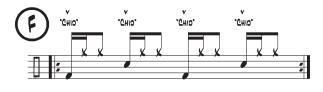


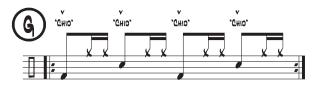




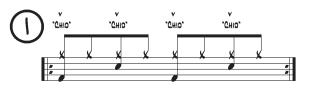


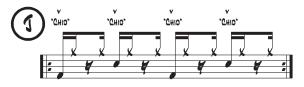


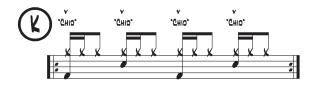


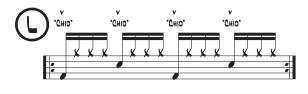


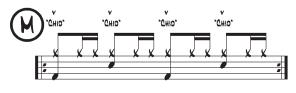


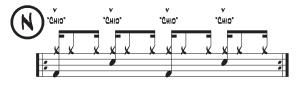


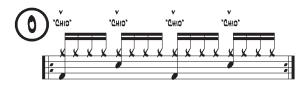










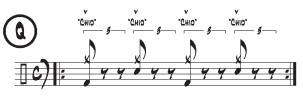


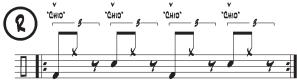


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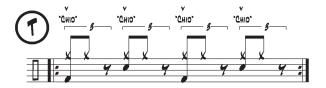
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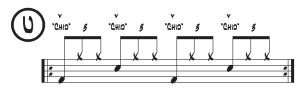
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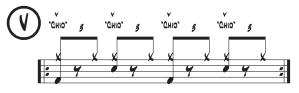


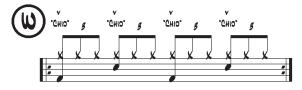






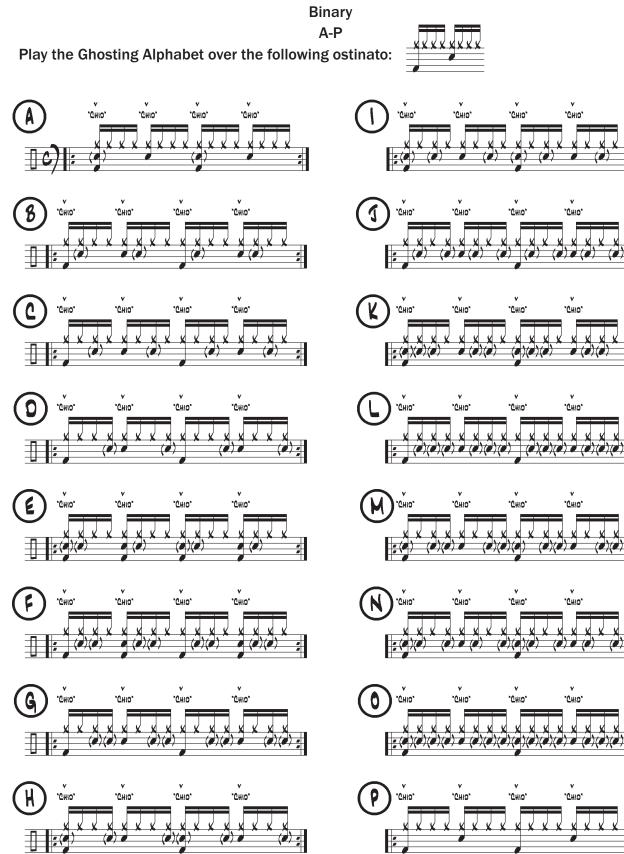






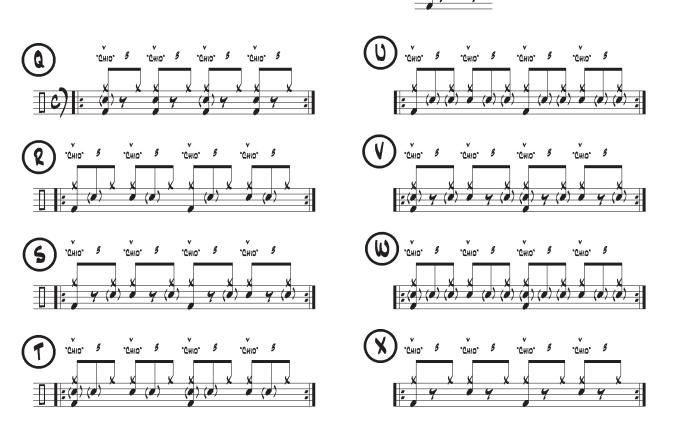


Chapter 1: Letters DRUMSET: GHOSTING LETTERS



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Q-X Play the Ghosting Alphabet over the following ostinato:





ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

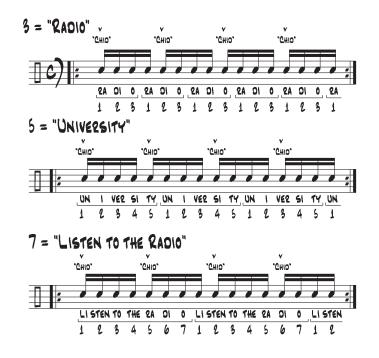
1st Position

Sing the following words over the 3-, 5-, and 7-note groupings to help internalize the phrasing:

3 = "Radio"

- 5 = "University"
- 7 = "Listen to the Radio"

The following exercises are 1-bar loops over a 16th-note subdivision.



(HUDSON MUSIC)

Chapter 2: Words

ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

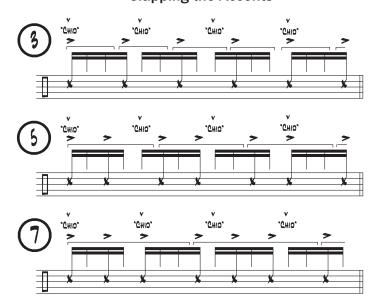
1st Position Accent Patterns



2+2+2+3

ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

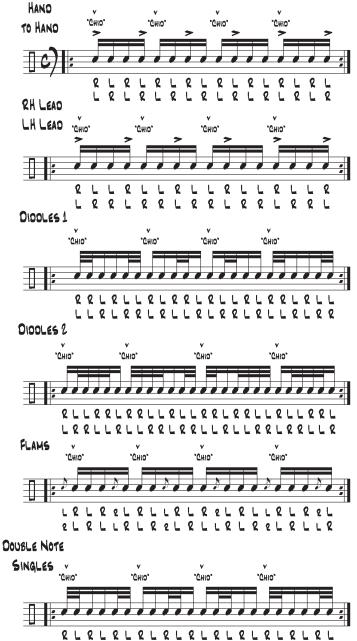
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ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

1st Position 3 = Radio

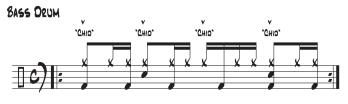
Throughout the Rudiments



ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

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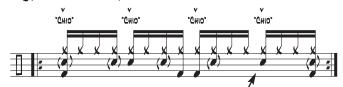
On the Drumset



RH (HH OR RIDE BELL)



LH (GHOST NOTE OF TOM)

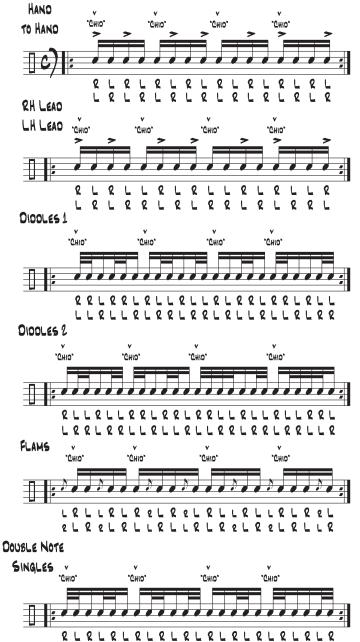


Here the backbeat and ghosting pattern fall on the same beat. When you play the ghostings on the snare, do play an accent/backbeat here. When you play the ghostings as a pattern with your left hand on another drum, play the backbeat with your right hand on the snare at the same time.

ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

1st Position 5 = University

Throughout the Rudiments



ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

1st Position 5 = University

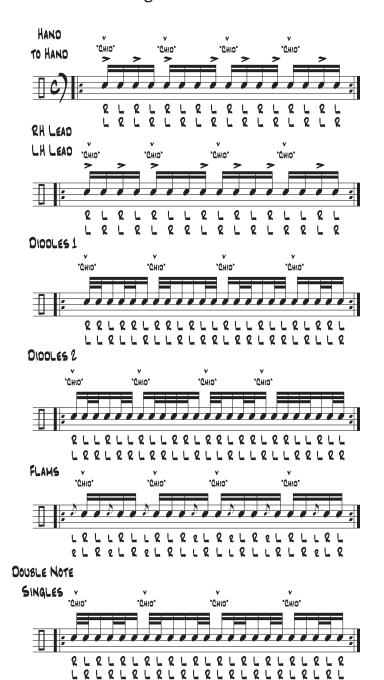
On the Drumset



WITH YOUR RIGHT HAND ON THE SNARE AT THE SAME TIME.

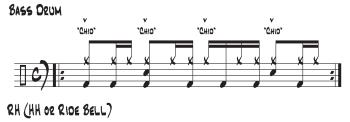
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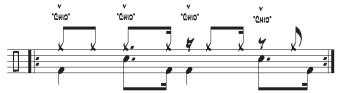
1st Position 7 = Listen to the Radio Throughout the Rudiments



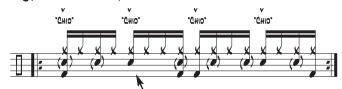
ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

1st Position 7 = Listen to the Radio On the Drumset





LH (GHOST NOTE OF TOM)

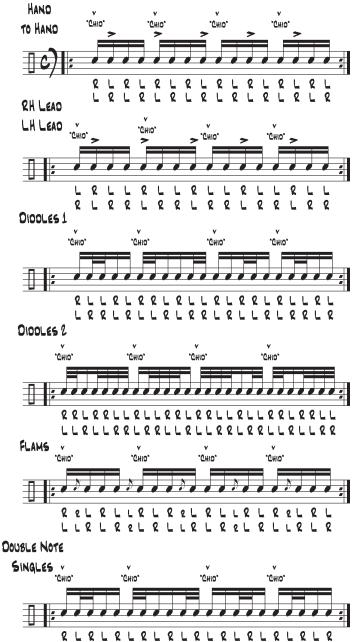


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ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

2nd Position 3 = Radio

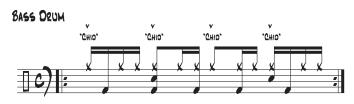
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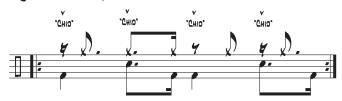
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2nd Position 3 = Radio

On the Drumset



RH (HH OR RIDE BELL)



LH (GHOST NOTE OF TOM)



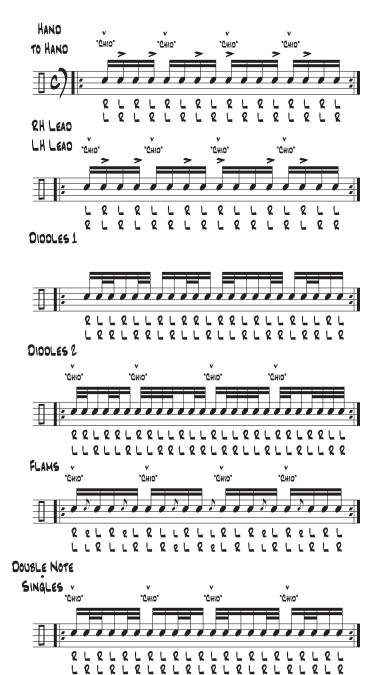


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2nd Position 5 = University

5 - Oniversity

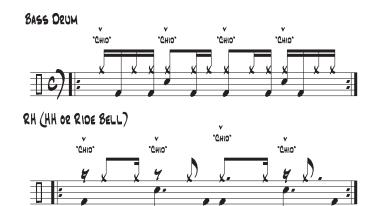
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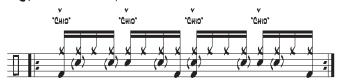
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2nd Position 5 = University

On the Drumset



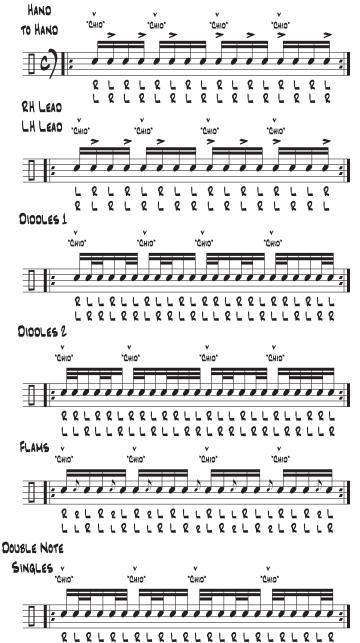
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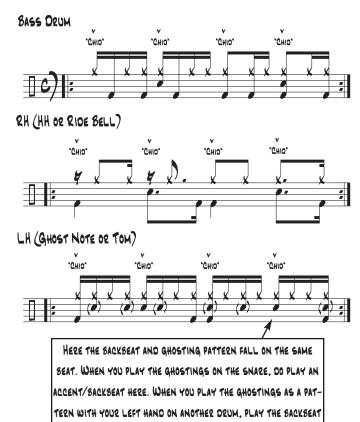
2nd Position 7 = Listen to the Radio Throughout the Rudiments



ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

2nd Position 7 = Listen to the Radio

On the Drumset

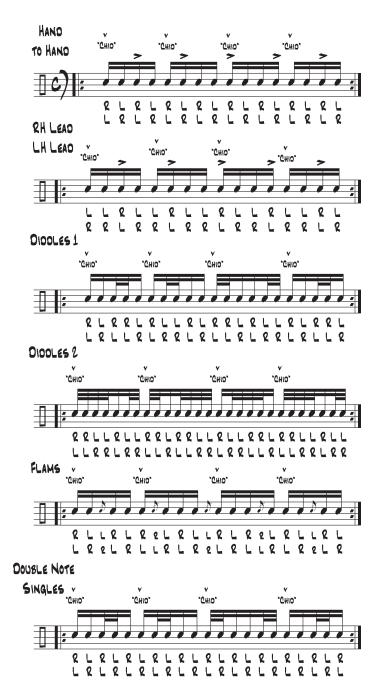


WITH YOUR RIGHT HAND ON THE SNARE AT THE SAME TIME.

ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

3rd Position 3 = Radio

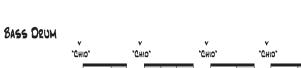
Throughout the Rudiments



ODD GROUPINGS: 3, 5 & 7

3rd Position 3 = Radio

On the Drumset





RH (HH OR RIDE BELL)



LH (GHOST NOTE OF TOM)

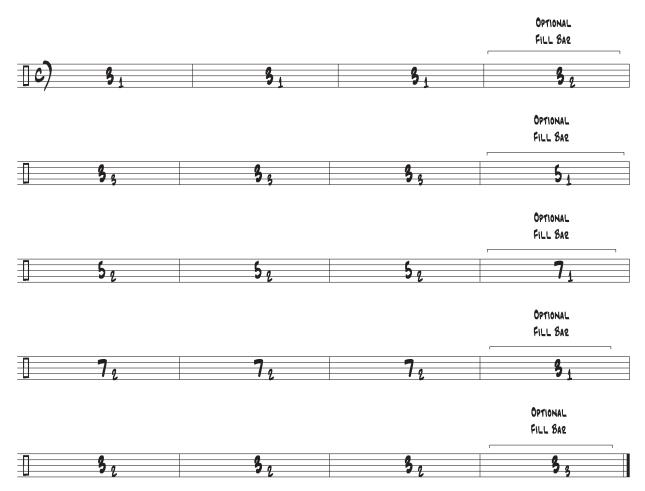




Chapter 2: Words WORDS RECAP SHEETS

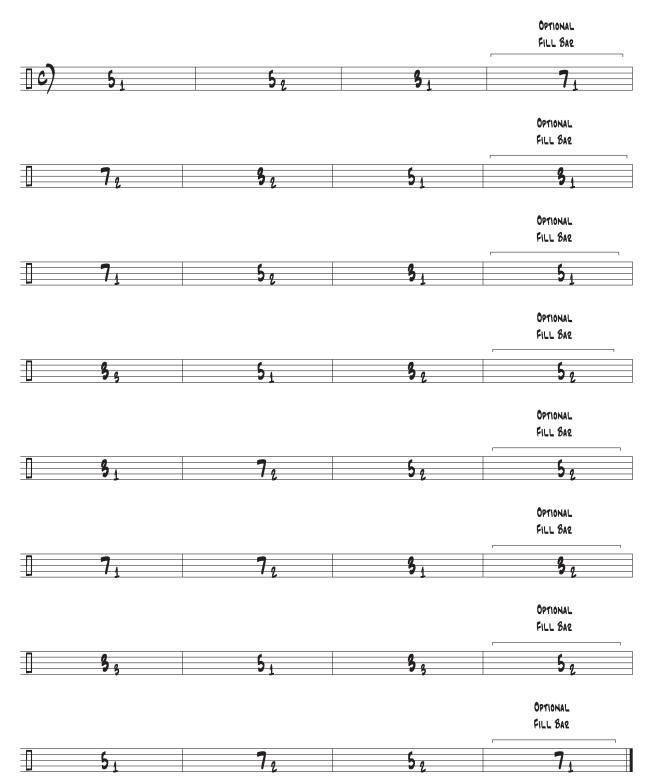
In the following exercises the larger number represents what grouping to play, while the smaller number represents which position it should it appear in. You can practice these exercises in the following ways:

- **1**. Play as grooves, utilizing the three variations from this chapter.
- 2. Play as snare exercises, going through the rudiments and stickings.
- 3. Play in 16th- as well as 8th-note subdivisions.
- 4. Play as grooves, and every 4th bar s apply the snare & pad exercises.



WORDS RECAP SHEET 1

WORDS RECAP SHEET 2



WORDS RECAP SHEET 3

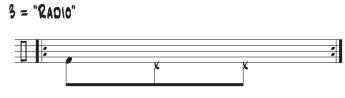


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Chapter 2: Words

INDEPENDENCE PATTERNS

Ostinato with the feet:



5 = "UNIVERSITY"



7 = "LISTEN TO THE RADIO"



Ostinato with the hands on top:

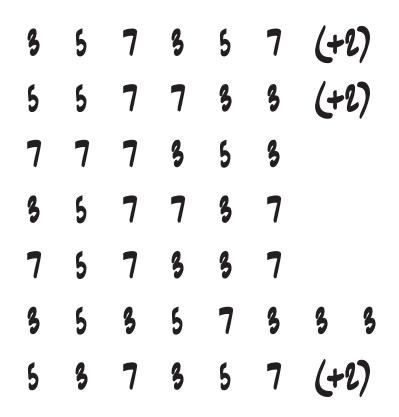


Also, try playing the foot patterns while improvising on top with the hands.

Chapter 3: Syntax

SYNTAX

Binary Form: 2 Bars a Phrase Sub Division =



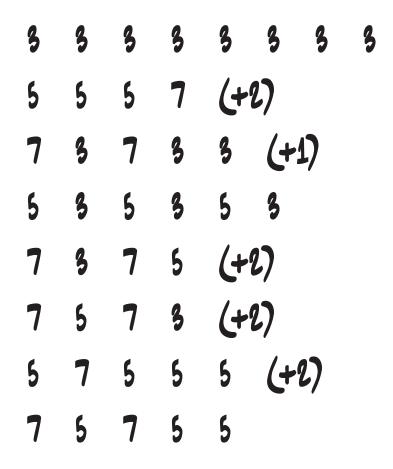
Play this exercise on a pad or snare, as well as the applications on the set.





SYNTAX

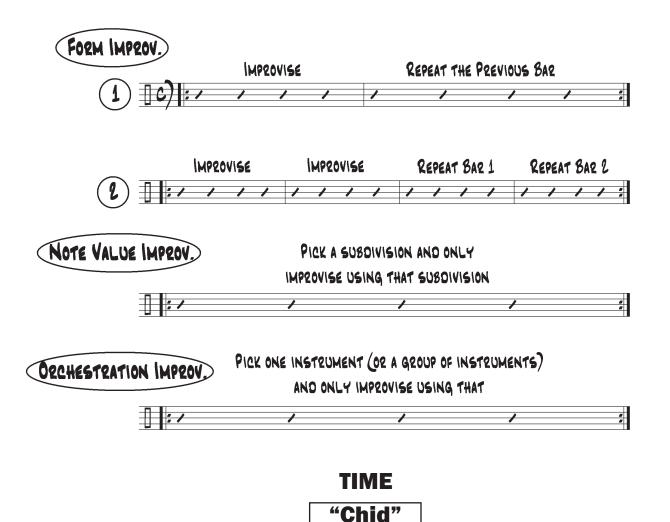
Ternary Form: 2 Bars a Phrase Sub Division =



Play this exercise on a pad or snare, as well as the applications on the set.

Chapter 4: Talking

IMPROVISATION EXERCISES



- **1**. Improvise or simply play a groove while singing "chid" on the quarter-note downbeat.
- 2. Improvise or simply play a groove while singing "chid" on the eighth-note offbeat.
- 3. Improvise or simply play a groove while singing "chid" on the sixteenth-note offbeat.

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Chapter 4: Talking TIME "Chid"

Play a groove or improvise while hearing the click on:

1. Quarter-note downbeat:

- 2. Eighth-noe offbeat: 🐐 🔊
- 3. The third triplet partial: 440
- 4. Sixteenth-note offbeats: 4.

Program a click track in a form and play to it:

2 BAR FORM:



3 BAR FORM:





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Chapter 4: Talking TIME TABLE 1

	GEOOVE:	GROOVE:	GROOVE:	
TEMPO:				
150				
140				
130				
120				
110				
100				
90				
80				
70				
60				
50				
40				

Chapter 4: Talking TIME TABLE 2

	G200VE:	G200VE:	G200VE:
TEMPO:			
150			
145			
140			
135			
130			
125			
120			
115			
110			
105			
100			
95			
90			
85			
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75			
70			
65			
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55			
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45			
40			

Chapter 4: Talking TIME TABLE 3

G200VE:	G200VE:	GROOVE:
		GREOOVE: GREOOVE:

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	GEOOVE:	GROOVE:	GROOVE:
TEMPO:			
98			
96			
94			
92			
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88			
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