



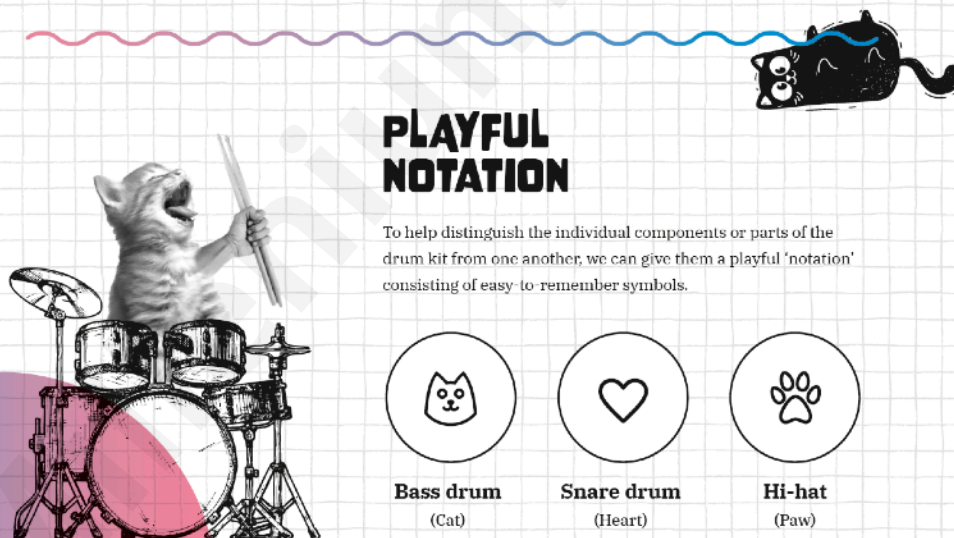
MONTHLY LESSON

1 - Your first drum lesson

THE DRUM SET

A drum set consists of various components. You can find assembly instructions for acoustic and electronic drum kits on pages 12 and 14.

To get started, however, you don't need a complete drum kit at all, just the three most important components: bass drum, snare drum, and hi-hat. To avoid unnecessary distractions, start by setting up just these three parts. Whether you're right-handed or left-handed, we recommend the 'classic' setup. If you start with this setup early on, you will avoid problems later on, such as having to constantly rearrange your setup for different situations. In addition, it is easier with stickings (meaning which hand plays which stroke) and certain playing techniques.



PLAYFUL NOTATION

To help distinguish the individual components or parts of the drum kit from one another, we can give them a playful 'notation' consisting of easy-to-remember symbols.



Bass drum
(Cat)



Snare drum
(Heart)



Hi-hat
(Paw)

To make the symbols even more visually distinct from one another, you can use coloured pencils. Select a colour for each drum part and then colour in the shapes.