WUNDER KEYS
PIANO FOR PRESCHOOLERS
Players:
2 players

Materials:
one laminated game board, 20 coins, 18 playing cards, one Teacher Master Sheet

Game Objective:
Musical Objective: To reinforce aural recognition of quarter notes and half notes
Game Objective: To cover mud puddles on the game board

Setting It Up:
The student should sit on the floor with the game board placed in front and the 20 coins placed to the side. The 18 playing cards should be spread out around the game board with the note images facing up. The teacher should be seated at the piano with the Teacher Master Sheet.

Playing the Game:
1) To begin, the teacher and the student tap a steady beat. When the teacher is ready, and while continuing to tap a steady beat, she plays a randomly-selected musical excerpt from the Teacher Master Sheet and then crosses it off with a dry erase pen.

2) After the musical excerpt has been played, the student determines if he heard quarter notes or half notes and then selects any card labeled with the corresponding note image.

3) The back of the card selected in Step 2 contains a number indicating how many coins the student must place over mud puddles (dark brown circles) on the game board. For example, if the back of the card says “2”, the student takes two coins from the beside the game board and places them over two mud puddles.

4) The card selected in Step 2 is removed from the playing area.

5) Steps 1 - 4 are repeated until one of two things happens:
   1) The student successfully covers all 20 mud puddles on the game board and wins the game.
   2) The student turns over a card to reveal the word “Splat”... ending the game. In this scenario, the student counts how many coins are on the game board and attempts to beat his “score” in future games.
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