

Midisaurus **MUSIC**

User Guide (Teacher)

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SIGN UP

Sign up as a **Teacher** on www.midisaurus.com (registration terms and conditions can be found online). Download **Midisaurus Music** program installer.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The program supports the following operating systems:

For WINDOWS:

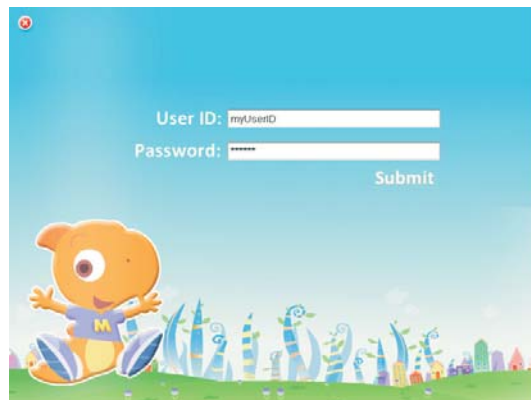
- Windows XP / Vista operating system
- Recommend 1 GB RAM
- Hard disk with 2.5 GB of free space available

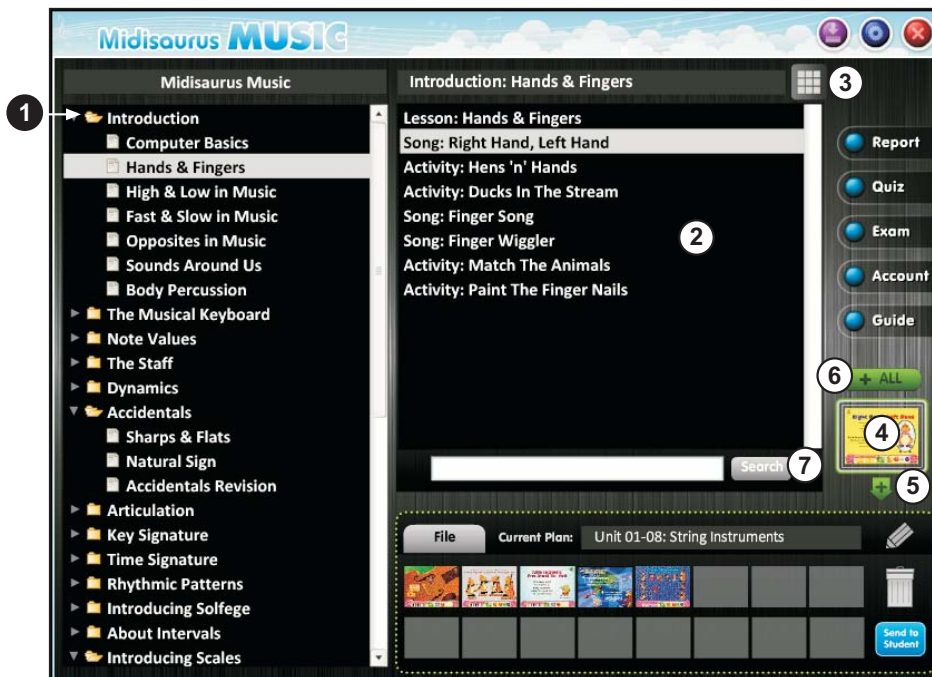
READ FIRST BEFORE YOU INSTALL

- Before you install the program, you must log-in as the 'administrator' (not as a 'guest') to the computer if you have multiple user accounts for the computer.
- If your PC does not have Apple QuickTime Player, please install this program first.
- Your PC needs to have an always-on Internet connection.
- For technical assistance, please email: support@town4kids.com

INSTALL PROGRAM

- Run "setup_teacher.exe".
- Launch the program and key in User ID and Password (issued upon online sign up).





INTRODUCTION - ACCESSING THE RESOURCE LIBRARY

(1) SUBJECT SELECTION

Click a subject to view the categories available. Select a category to view the resources available in contents list (2).

(2) **CONTENTS LIST** Click an activity to see its thumbnail.

(3) **VIEW OPTION** Choose to view in list mode or thumbnail mode.

(4) ACTIVITY THUMBNAIL

Place mouse on the thumbnail to see a description. Double click to launch activity.

(5) ADD ACTIVITY TO LESSON PLAN

Click to add the selected activity to lesson plan.

(6) ADD ALL ACTIVITIES TO LESSON PLAN

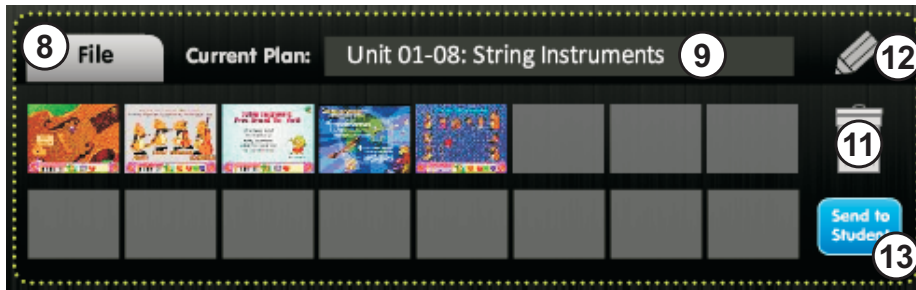
Click to add all the activities displayed in contents list (2) to lesson plan.

(7) SEARCH BY KEYWORD OR INDEX NUMBER

Click once on the search box and type in a keyword for your search or an activity's index number, and click the "Search" button to find related resources.



INTRODUCTION - PLANNING A LESSON



(8) "FILE" FUNCTIONS

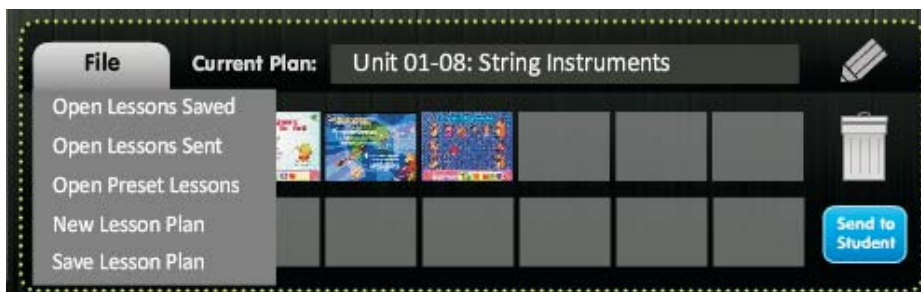
Open Lesson Plan

> (Open Lessons Saved) Open lesson plan that was previously saved but *had never been sent to student*.

> (Open Lessons Sent) Open lesson plan that was previously saved and *had been sent to student before*.

New Lesson Plan > Create new lesson plan.

Save Lesson Plan > Save newly created or modified lesson plan.



(9) CURRENT LESSON PLAN Shows the file name of the lesson plan.

(10) LESSON PLAN THUMBNAILS

Lessons and activities in the lesson plan [added via (5) and (6)] are represented by thumbnails. They can be shifted around to rearrange the sequence. Double click to launch the individual lessons.

(11) TRASH BIN

Drag thumbnail from lesson plan to the trash bin to remove it from the lesson.

(12) WRITE A LESSON NOTE

Write lesson instructions to students.

(13) SEND LESSON PLAN TO STUDENTS

Click to send the lesson plan for students to access from the Student program.





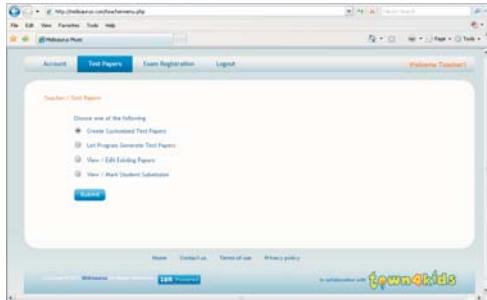
INTRODUCTION - TEACHER LINKS

(14) REPORT

View students' activity scoresheet online.

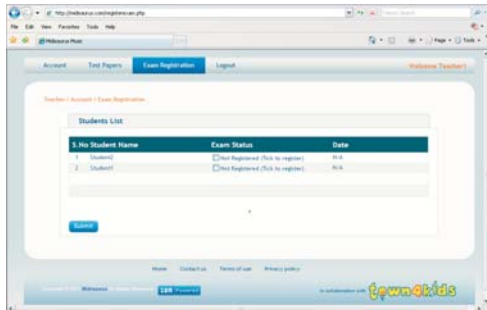
(15) QUIZ

Administer test papers for students on www.midisaurus.com.



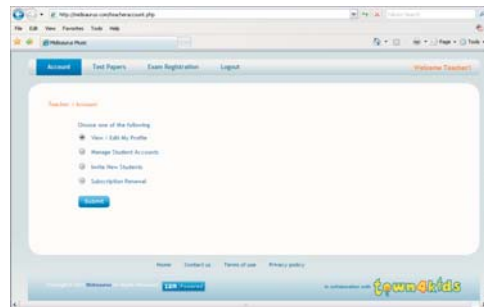
(16) EXAM

Register student for exam on www.midisaurus.com.



(17) ACCOUNT

Go to teacher account management on www.midisaurus.com.



(18) GUIDE - View user guides online.

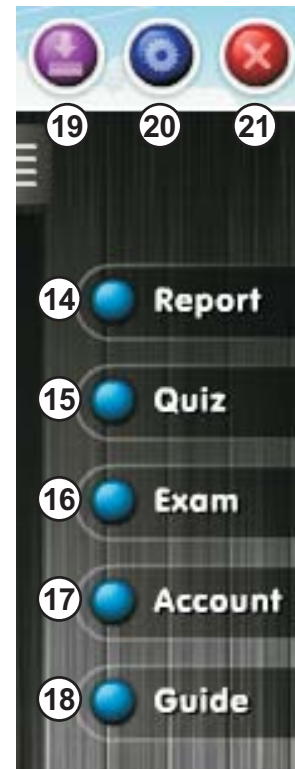
(19) DOWNLOAD

- To speed up activity run-time, download activity files into local disk.
- A green dot appears on the activity icon after the activity files have been downloaded.



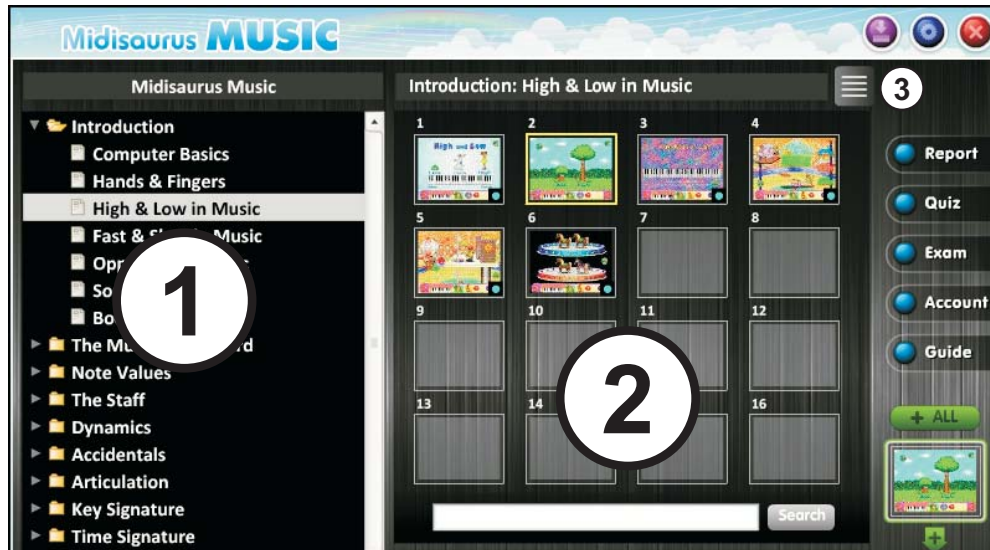
(20) SETTINGS - Renew subscription online.

(21) EXIT - Click to exit the program.





The multimedia contents are archived chronologically through:
 (1) SUBJECT list, and (2) CONTENTS list.



BROWSE CONTENTS

Step 1:

- In SUBJECT list (1), click to see each subject's sub-category.
- Click the desired sub-category to view the CONTENTS list (2).
- Click (3) to choose view mode. The CONTENTS list can be viewed in list mode (where activities are listed by titles, or in thumbnail mode (as shown above).

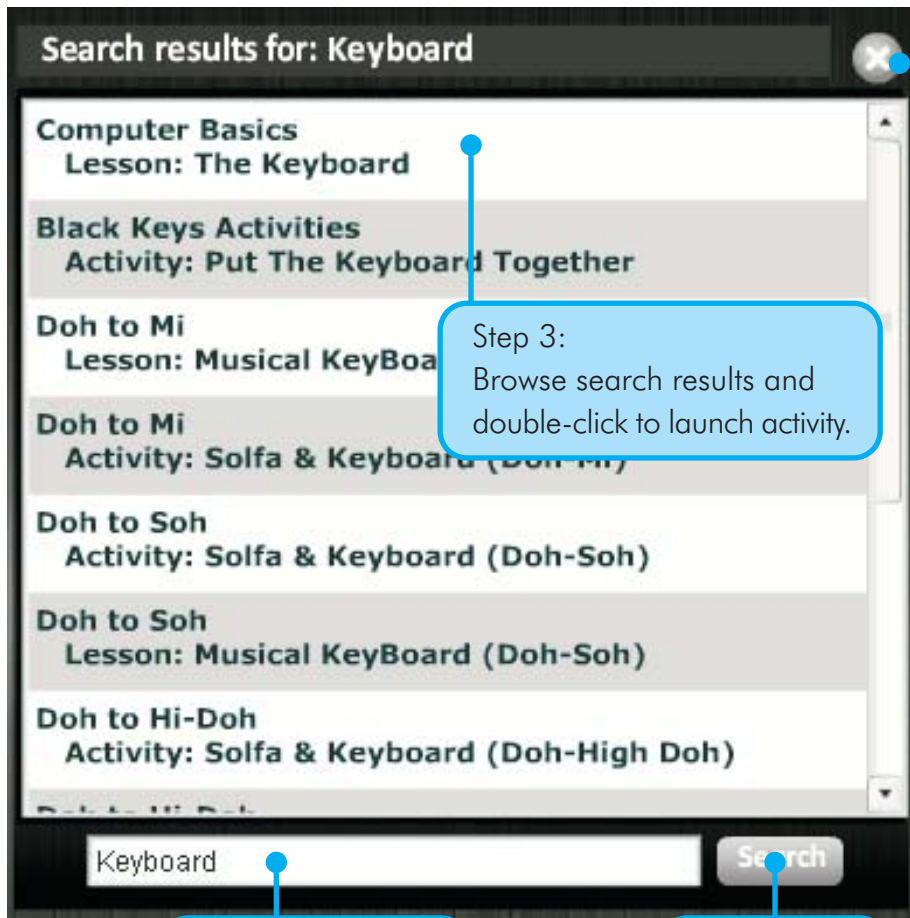
Step 2:

- Select activity (thumbnail or title, depending on view mode) from CONTENTS list.
- Double-click the title or the thumbnail to launch the lesson or activity.



SEARCH CONTENTS BY KEYWORD OR INDEX NUMBER

The Teacher screen includes a search function that allows users to find resources by keywords or by a unique index number.

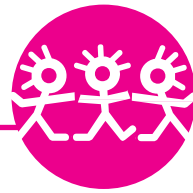


Click here to close search results.

Step 3:
Browse search results and double-click to launch activity.

Step 1:
Type in keyword or index number here.

Step 2:
Click here to start search.

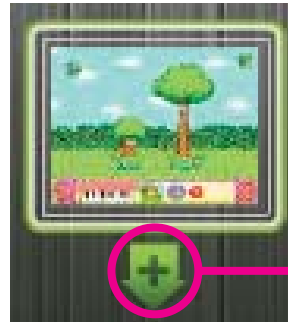


ADD TO LESSON PLAN

There are two ways to add lessons and activities to a lesson plan:

- Add INDIVIDUALLY

Select the activity and click the ADD button under its thumbnail to add to lesson plan.



- Add ALL from the Contents List
Click ADD ALL button to include all the activities displayed in the Contents List to lesson plan.

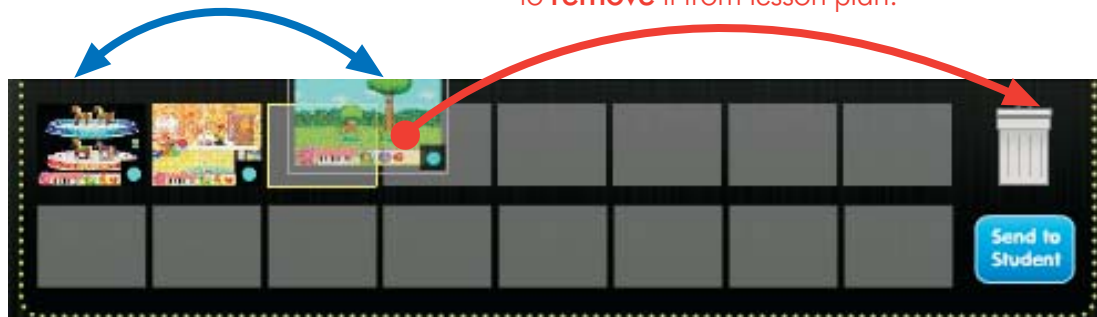
MAKE CHANGES TO LESSON PLAN

Once a lesson is planned, you can **make changes** to the sequence of the selected lessons and activities by click and dragging the thumbnails.

You can also **remove** an unwanted lesson or activity by dragging its thumbnail to the TRASH BIN icon.

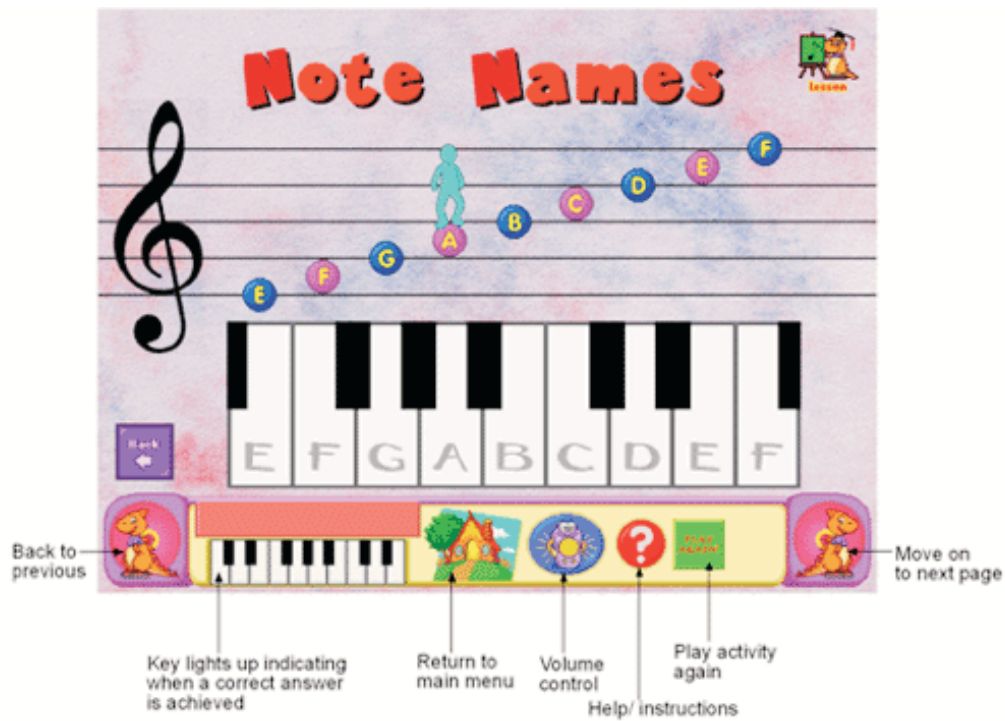
Click and drag thumbnails to **change sequence**.

Drag thumbnail to trash bin to **remove** it from lesson plan.

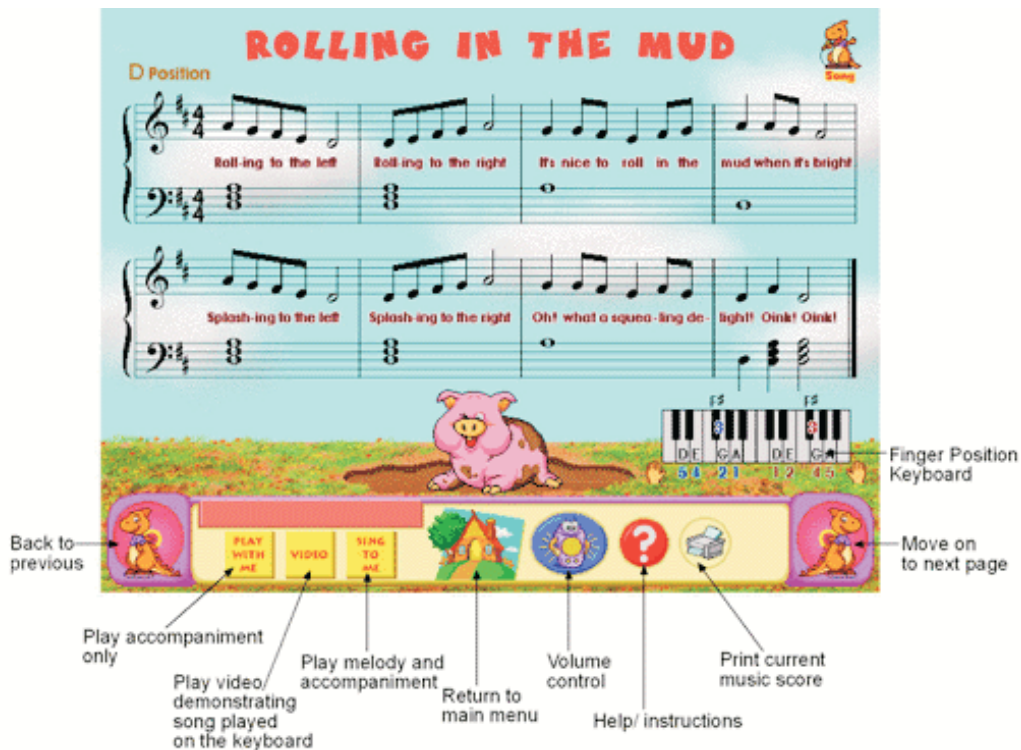


Guide to Activity Screens

Guide to "Lesson" and "Activity" screen



Guide to "Song" screen



Guide to Activity Screens

Guide to "Picture Composition" screen

The screenshot shows a user interface for creating a movie. At the top, there are two main instructions: "Enter the title of the movie" pointing to a "TITLE" input field, and "Click and drag any animated clips to the film strip below" pointing to a grid of clip thumbnails. The grid contains two rows of six thumbnails each, with yellow 'X' buttons below each. The first row has a green dinosaur, a purple dinosaur, a yellow dinosaur, a blue dinosaur, a green dinosaur, and a green dinosaur. The second row has a pink dinosaur, a cartoon character, and four greyed-out thumbnails. To the right of the grid is a vertical stack of buttons: "SAVE", "SAVE AS", "CLEAR", "LOAD", and "START". Below the grid is a film strip with 8 frames. The first frame contains a green dinosaur, and the second frame contains a yellow dinosaur. To the right of the film strip are left and right navigation arrows. At the bottom, there is a horizontal bar with several icons: a dinosaur, a house, a sun, and another dinosaur. Arrows point from these icons to descriptive text at the bottom of the screen.

Enter the title of the movie

Click and drag any animated clips to the film strip below

TITLE

SAVE

SAVE AS

CLEAR

LOAD

START

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Go left or right of film strip

Go to previous lesson

Click and drag to sequence the clip. Double click to erase

Go back to main menu

Change volume

Click to create sound for the clip selected

Go to next lesson

Save current movie

Save movie as new name

Clear current movie

Load movie saved

Play current movie

Guide to Activity Screens

Guide to "Music Composition" screen

The screenshot shows a music composition interface with the following annotated components:

- Export As:** MIDI, WAV, JPEG
- Save / Print:** Save, Print
- Instruction to help user:** Select a note or rest. Use the instrument to enter note
- Start a new composition:** new
- Exit the program:** exit
- Change track volume:** Volume slider
- Change track pitch:** Pitch slider
- Change track instrument:** Instrument dropdown (currently set to Acoustic Grand)
- Erase track, Erase bar, Erase note:** Buttons for editing the score
- Tempo:** Slow to fast slider
- PLAY:** Red play button
- Keyboard:** Virtual piano keyboard with Middle C indicated

Annotations at the bottom of the screen provide further instructions:

- Select note (or rest) before entering score using keyboard on right
- Erase note, bar, or track
- Click on any key on the keyboard to enter notation
- Click to select bar
- Click to play composition