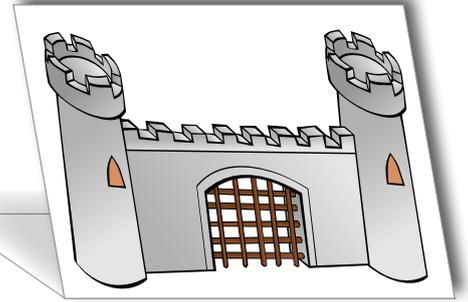
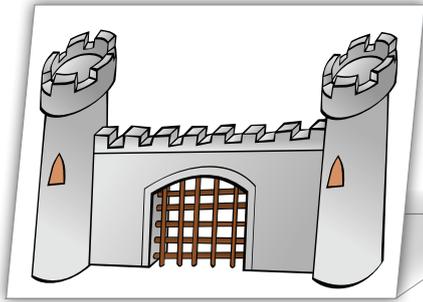
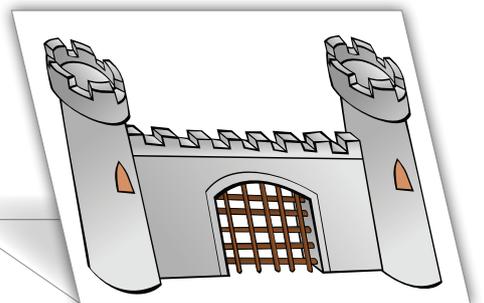
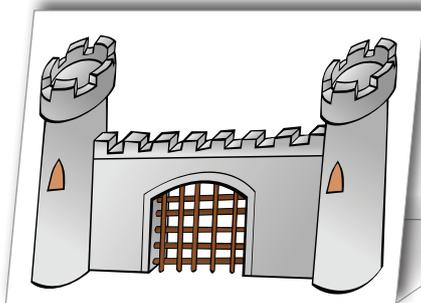
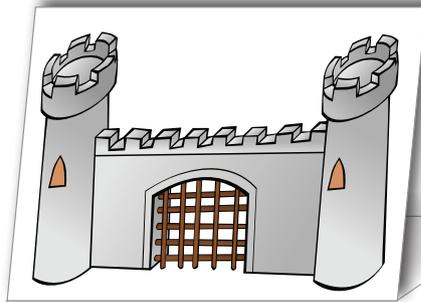


CONCEPTS COVERED: Groups of black keys

STUDENT LEVEL: Newbie



# Dogs & Gates



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## HOW TO USE

- Show your student how the dog card sits perfectly on the two black keys.
- Ask your student to find all the other places where the dog could sit on the piano.
- Repeat this for the gates on the three black keys.
- Repeat this activity at several lessons until your student can easily find and identify the groups without the cards.
- Over time, and if it's helpful, this can develop into an explanation of how to find the "doggy D" in the middle of the two black keys, and the G and A inside the gates.

## ASSEMBLY

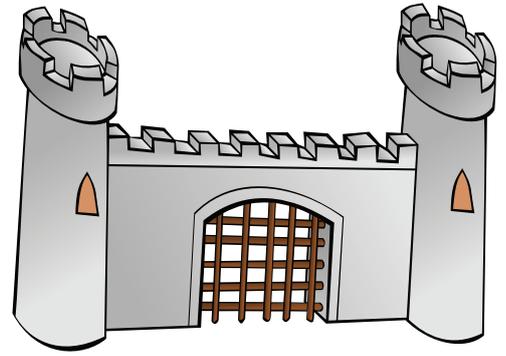
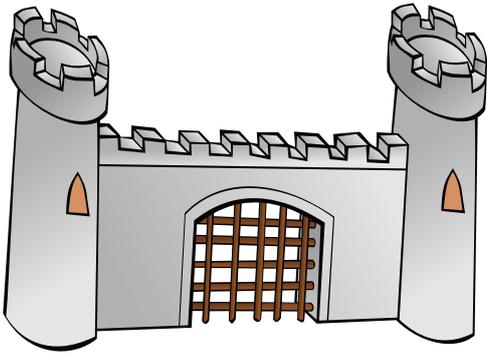
To assemble this game:

- Print out the dog and gate cards (pages 3-4).
- It's best to print on card stock/thick paper or to laminate to make the cards more sturdy.
- Fold the cards in half so that they will sit upright. (Kind of like a place setting card.)

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

*Dogs and Gates* is a wonderful hands-on activity for young students, especially preschoolers. This game is also very useful when teaching students with special needs.

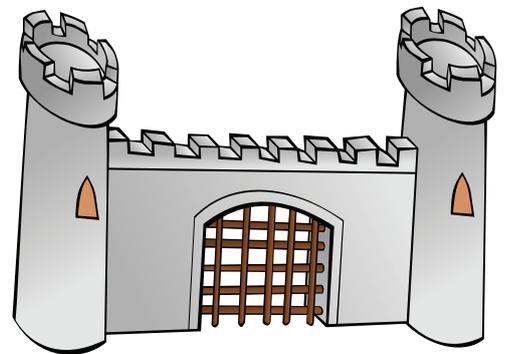
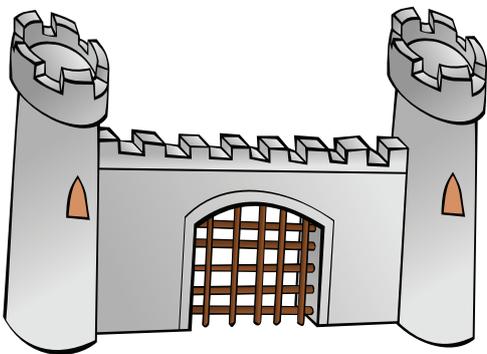
The dogs and gates help students to find the groups of black keys, and give students a concrete association and reference point for these groups.



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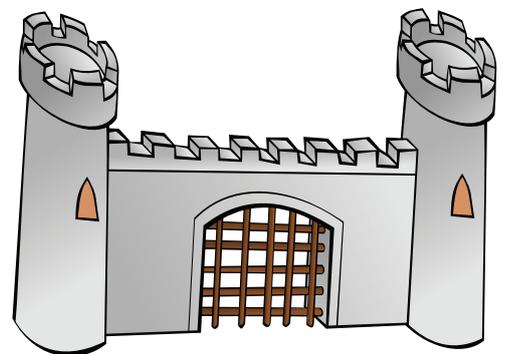
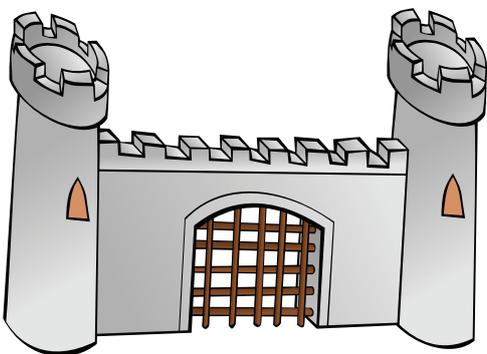
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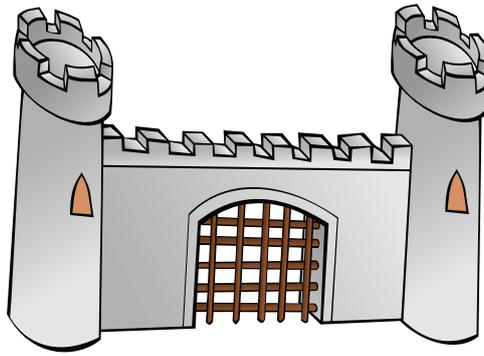
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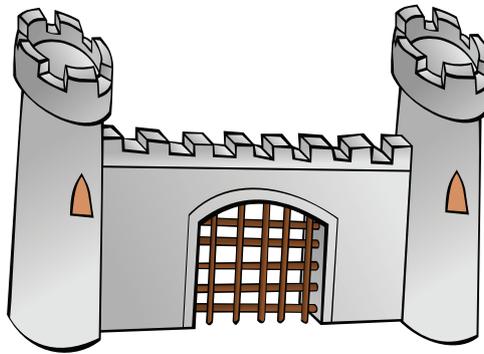
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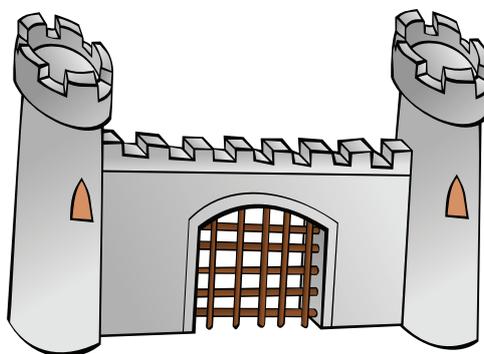
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