



Notice that the keyboard has a repeating pattern of 2 black keys and 3 white keys. The C key is just below (to the left) of the two black key group. Put your RIGHT HAND 1-, 2- and 3-fingers on the C-D-E closest to the middle of the keyboard like this:



Now play C-D-E.
We call this C *middle C*, or C₄.

EXERCISES:

Play every C-D-E on your keyboard starting on the left end (the low notes) and moving up the keyboard towards the right side (high notes). Play the lowest CDE, then the next CDE to the right, etc. How many C-D-E's are there on your piano or keyboard? Answer: _____

Now **play every C** from left to right (low to high).

Next, **play every D** from left to right. D is between the two black keys.

Finally, **play every E** on the keyboard.

Play these notes with your right hand 1-finger on middle C (C₄):

C E D E C D C E D C E D E C D C