

*Slammin'
Simon's*

Guide to Mastering Your First
**Rock & Roll
Drum Beats!**



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Hello, hello – and welcome to
*my Guide to Mastering Your
First Rock & Roll Drum Beats!*

My name is Simon and playing drums is my
favorite thing in the world to do. I play so much,
my family and friends nicknamed me
Slammin' Simon.



My pet turtle is named Rudi,
short for the word "rudiment."

Rudiments are basic drum hand
patterns (or "stickings")
that are some of the most
important things for us
drummers to learn.

Rudi really likes to help me
(and *you!*) practice, by sharing
helpful reminders and tips.

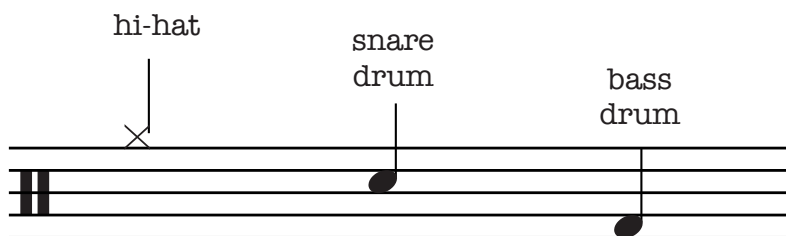
We teach you all about rudiments in some of our other guides. In *this* one, we want to show you a whole bunch of basic Rock & Roll drumset grooves, so that you can get rockin' out in no time.

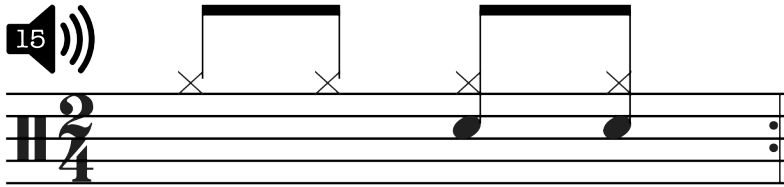
Are you all ready to get going?

Cool! Grab your drumsticks, take a seat behind your drumset and let's get started.



Our drum music will be written like this...





Now the real fun begins! While keeping the hi-hat playing steady eighth notes, let's experiment with all kinds of bass drum and snare drum variations. These different combinations give us a huge variety of eighth-note Rock & Roll drumset beats to play.

Take your time as you work through these, count out loud and keep your speed nice and even. Don't try to go too fast right at first.

