## Foreword:

### WHAT IS HIGH-YIELD MUSIC THEORY?

## Philosophy

The core principles guiding high-yield music theory are:

- 1. Assume no prior knowledge.
- 2. Build one concept at a time.
- Get to the POINT!

#### Volumes

The latest editions of this study reference are available at LearuMusic Theory. net. Eventually there will be multiple volumes, covering Music Theory Fundamentals; Harmony; Jazz, Pop, and Contemporary Music Theory (including Twentieth-Century Music); and Form in Music.

#### **Format**

The format for each volume is consistent:

- 1. The left column lists **terms** to help you organize your study and find topics quickly.
- 2. **Bold** indicates key concepts.
- 3. Each volume ends with a Remember-Forever Review and More Resources.

## Students: how to use this guide

#### Students can...

- ...read it before or after your primary text for a music theory course.
- ...use it as an **efficient review** before entrance exams, barriers, etc.
- ... use it as a **theory reference book** by looking up terms in the index.
- ...use it to quiz or tutor your fellow students.
- ...check out the great resources listed under "More Resources."

# Teachers: how to use this guide

#### Teachers can...

- ...use it as a **class lecture outline** along with your favorite theory text.
- ...use it as a **review guide** after presenting the material with your favorite text.
- ...use the Remember-Forever Review section before final exams.
- ...require students to purchase one or more volumes for extra study.
- ...use it as a **primary textbook** alongside your favorite workbook or music anthology.