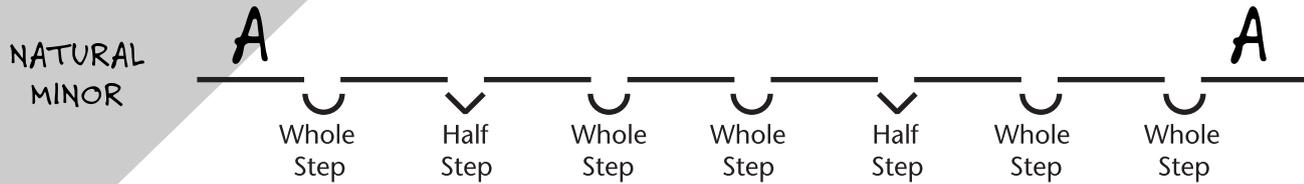


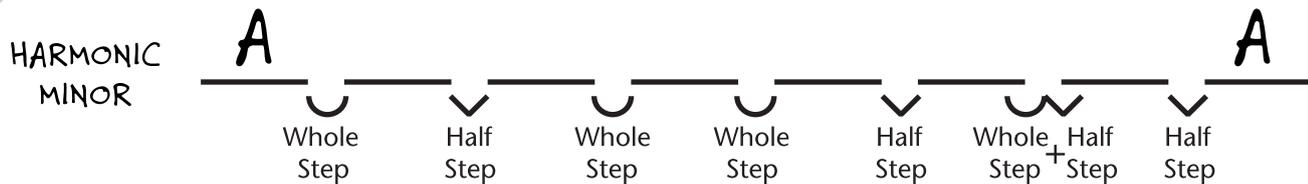
The A Minor Scale Worksheet

STEP 1: Write the Letter Names

- A. On the lines below, WRITE THE LETTERS of the music alphabet in ascending order. (The beginning and ending notes are given.)
- B. To create the correct order of whole steps and half steps, use the pattern for a natural minor scale. The scale of A natural minor has no sharps or flats.



- C. To create a harmonic minor scale, copy the natural minor scale (Step 1B), then raise the 7th letter one half step by adding a SHARP (#). *HINT: Put the # to the right of the letter name.*



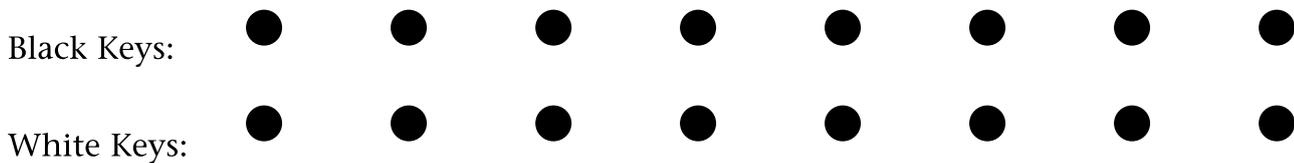
STEP 2: Play and Say

Using tetrachord fingering (no thumbs), play the A harmonic minor scale on the keyboard while saying the letter names. (For review, see page 5.)

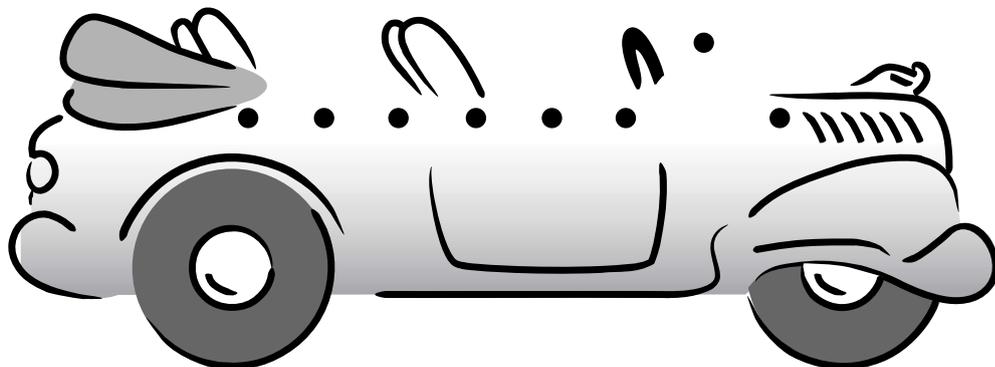
STEP 3: Draw the Pattern of White and Black Keys

Use the pattern of white and black keys in the A harmonic minor scale to complete the following:

- A. If the key is WHITE, circle the LOWER dot; if the key is BLACK, circle the UPPER dot.
- B. Connect the circled dots.



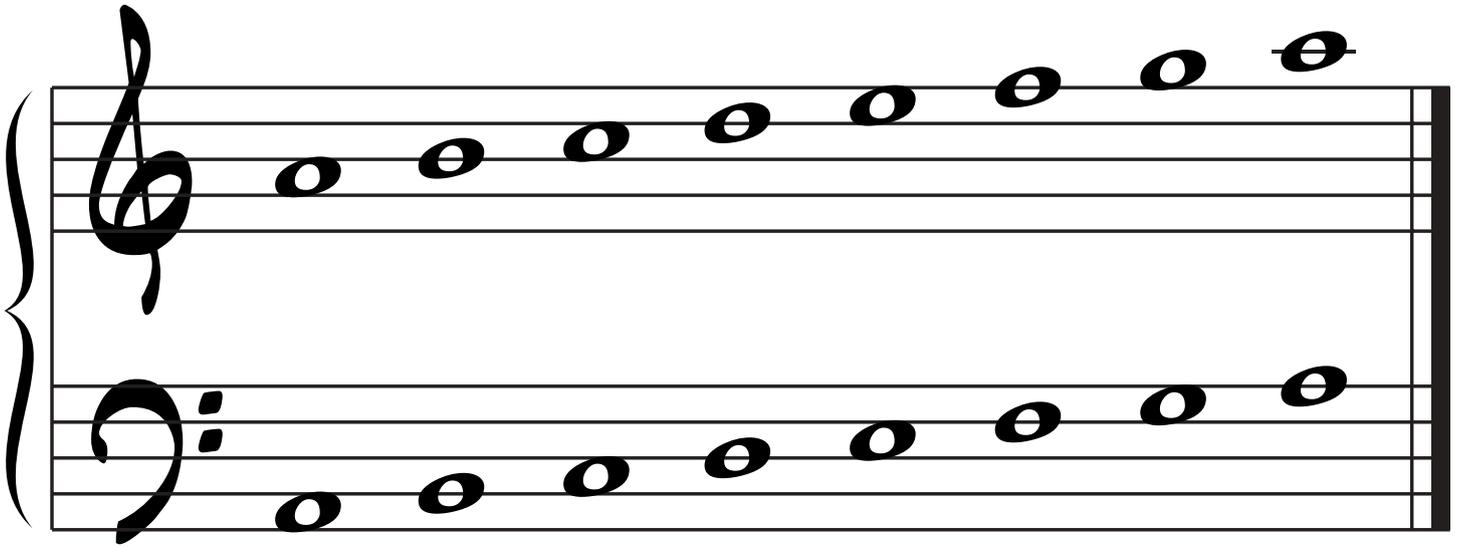
- C. Connect the dots in the picture of **Aunty's Auto**, matching the pattern in Step 3B above.



A Minor: Aunty's Auto

STEP 4: Write the Sharp

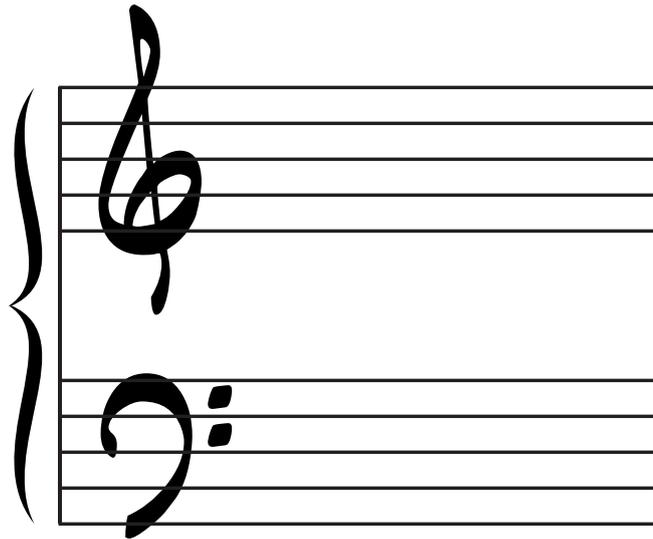
On the grand staff below, WRITE THE SHARP needed for the A harmonic minor scale. To create the correct order of whole steps and half steps, use the harmonic minor scale pattern. (See Step 1C.) *HINT: Put the # to the left of the note.*



STEP 5: A Minor Key Signature

There are no sharps or flats in the key signature of A minor. (See Step 1B.)

HINT: The sharp that is added to raise the 7th letter for harmonic minor is not included in the key signature.



STEP 6: Play the Scale

- A. Play a one-octave A harmonic minor scale while saying the note names. Play hands separately or hands together, ascending and descending. Use the fingering below.

*HINT: Remember the picture of **Aunty's Auto** as you play.*

RH 1 2 3 | 2 3 4 5

LH 5 4 3 2 | 3 2 1

- B. Play the scale again, reading the notes of the A harmonic minor scale (Step 4).