

# FIVE-STAR TECH TIPS GROOVE ESSENTIALS

While scales and arpeggios are the building blocks of music for all musicians— and the snare drum rudiments are important for learning basic drumming skills— until recently there was no standardized, comprehensive method for developing technique and musicianship on the drumset. However, by recognizing this need and drawing from his extensive experience as a world-class drummer and teacher, Tommy Igoe (The Lion King, Art Garfunkel, Lauryn Hill) created a list of common yet relevant drumset patterns that cover the fundamentals of drumset technique as well as a wide range of contemporary musical styles.

Known as the “Groove Essentials”, this definitive collection includes a poster from Vic Firth with 47 Rock, Jazz, R&B/Funk and World/Ethnic drum beats and a 3 hour, 40 minute DVD from Hudson Music that features 83 original musical examples. According to Tommy, “Mastering these essential grooves will greatly expand any drummer’s knowledge and versatility while giving them the skill and confidence to perform in virtually any musical situation.” Here are five examples taken from the “Groove Essentials” demo disc that’s now available free (with qualifying purchase) at your participating Five-Star Drum Shop.

## TOMMY IGOE'S GROOVE ESSENTIALS

**#05 Rock**

**#12 Funk**

**#15 R&B**

**#22 Jazz**

**#42 World Afro-Cuban Mambo**

**Key**

RIDE CYMBAL	RIDE BELL	HI-HAT	HI-HAT OPEN	HI-HAT w/FOOT	BASS DRUM	SNARE	SNARE RIM SHOT	SNARE CROSS STICK	SNARE GHOST NOTE	TOM 1	TOM 2	FLOOR TOM	CHA-CHA BELL	MAMBO COWBELL
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Now available at participating Five-Star Drum Shops, Tommy Igoe’s “Groove Essentials” DVD and poster are produced by Hudson Music and Vic Firth.