GarageBand Shortcuts

for GarageBand on Mac

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Welcome!

GarageBand is an ideal software program for middle school students and beyond. It's a great entry-level Digital Audio Workstation that has more features than you might think.

GarageBand is ideal for recording student compositions and performances - both audio and MIDI, digital storytelling with funny voices and sound effects, film scoring, podcasting and more.

Following is a list of my favourite, most commonly-used shortcuts for GarageBand.
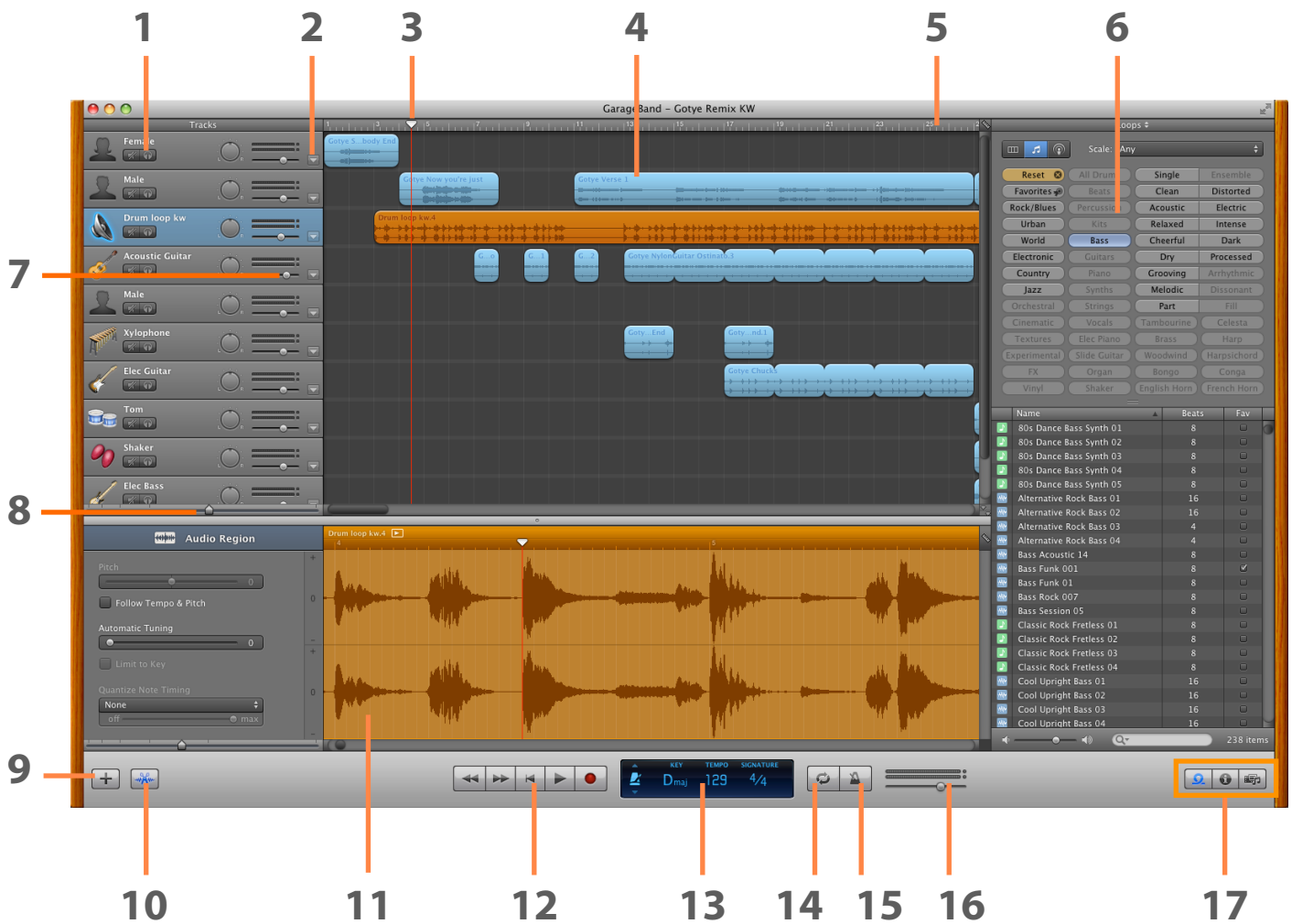
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- Creative Projects Using GarageBand
- iPads in Music Education
- Interactive Whiteboards in Your Music Classroom
- Sibelius Basics
- Sibelius Advanced
- Sibelius: Scanning and Importing MIDI files
- Sibelius Projects for Students: Using Sibelius in Your Classroom
- Amazing Audacity: Simple Recording and Audio Editing
- Creative Projects Using Acid Music Studio
- Creative Projects Using Mixcraft
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The GarageBand Screen

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3	Playhead	12	Playback (Transport) controls
4	Region	13	LCD Display
5	Timeline	14	Cycle Region
6	Loop browser	15	Metronome
7	Track volume	16	Master volume
8	Zoom slider (main project area)	17	Loop/Track Info/Media Browsers
9	Add new track		

Favourite GarageBand Shortcuts

Action	Shortcut
Playback & Navigation	
Start playback	Space bar
Stop playback	Space bar
Move playhead to beginning	Home or Z or Return
Move playhead to end (to End of Project Marker)	End or Option-Z
Move playhead to beginning of selected region	Control-Home
Move playhead to end of selected region	Control-End
Move playhead forwards a little	Right Arrow
Move playhead backwards a little	Left Arrow
Move playhead forwards in larger increments	Option-Right Arrow
Move playhead backwards in larger increments	Option-Left Arrow
Turn the cycle region on/off	C
Zooming	
Zoom in to see more detail	Option-Control-Right Arrow
Zoom out to see less detail	Option-Control-Left Arrow
Tracks	
Create a new track	Command-Option-N
Delete the selected track	Command-Delete
Duplicate the selected track	Command-D
Select the track above	Up arrow
Select the track below	Down arrow
Mute/Unmute the selected track	M
Solo/unsolo the selected track	S
Unmute all tracks	Option-click on Mute button
Solo all tracks	Option-click on Solo button
Lock/unlock the selected track	L
Show/hide the Arrangement track	Command-Shift-A
Show/hide the Master track	Command-B

Editing

Undo last action	Command-Z
Redo last action	Command-Shift-Z
Copy	Command-C
Paste	Command-V
Cut	Command-X
Select everything	Command-A
Delete	Delete
Loop selected region continuously	O
Join selected regions	Command-J
Split selected region at the playhead	Command-T
Turn snap to grid on/off	Command-G

Recording

Start or stop recording	R
Turn the cycle region on/off	C
Turn metronome on/off	Command-U
Turn count-in on/off	Command-Shift-U

Showing windows

Show/Hide Track Info pane (instrument info)	Command-I
Show/Hide the Loop browser	Command-L
Show/Hide the Media browser	Command-R
Show/Hide the Editor	Command-E
Show/Hide the Musical Typing window	Command-Shift-K
Show/Hide the Onscreen Keyboard	Command-K

Score view (notation)

Transpose selected notes up one semitone	Up arrow
Transpose selected notes down one semitone	Down arrow
Transpose selected notes up one octave	Shift-Up Arrow
Transpose selected notes down one octave	Shift-Down Arrow
Move selected notes to previous grid position	Left Arrow
Move selected notes to next grid position	Right Arrow
Move selected notes back one bar	Shift-Left Arrow
Move selected notes forward one bar	Shift-Right Arrow
Print score (notation must be visible in editor first)	Command-P

Film scoring and podcasts

Add marker (hit point marker) to podcast/movie track	P
Turn ducking on/off	Command-Shift-R
Show/hide the Movie track	Command-Option-B
Show/hide the Podcast track	Command-Shift-B