## Part I: Chapter 24

Hemiola and Cross-Rhythms

## **Improvisation Activities**

- Call and Response
  See Chapter 2 for instructions
- Pass the Pattern
  See Chapter 3 for instructions
- Change Challenge
  See Chapter 14 for instructions
- Same or Different
  See Chapter 2 for instructions
- Ostinato Groove
  See Chapter 6 for instructions
- Table of Truth
  See Chapters 4 & 13 for instructions
- Add A Rhythm
  See Chapter 2 for instructions
- Anything You Can Do . . .
  See Chapter 10 for instructions
- Twisted Theme
  See Chapter 22 for instructions

## • Parameters:

- See the indicated chapter on the Oxford Learning Link, Improvisation-Part I for instructions.
- Integrate patterns containing hemiolas and cross rhythms found in Section 24.1 and 24.3 into the improvisation activities above.
- The instructor designates the meter (simple/compound-duple, triple or quadruple), physical motion (metric motion, heel march, and/or down-up/down-up-up motion with hands) and then sets the tempo.
- Remember to perform the patterns (a) with inflective expression (foundation of phrasing) and (b) while moving to meter, macro beat, or micro beat (facilitates understanding of rhythm).

The ability to improvise is a skill that can be learned!

Improvisation can be described as the spontaneous concurrent acts of composition and performance (Azzara, 1999).