Senior Drumset Styles

These examples are either direct transcriptions or close approximations of the indicated recording that we edited for clarity. Students should listen carefully and play along with each recording to get a better feel and a deeper understanding of each style. As heard on the referenced recordings, they can be varied

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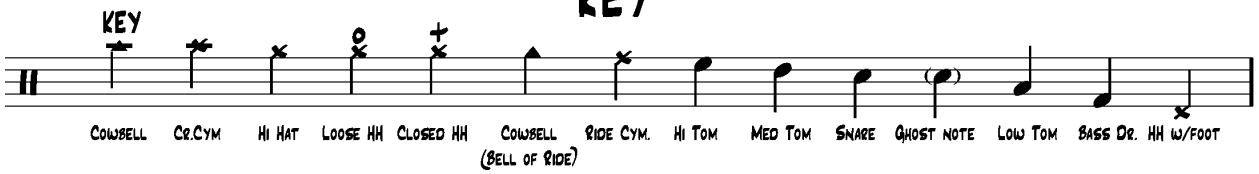

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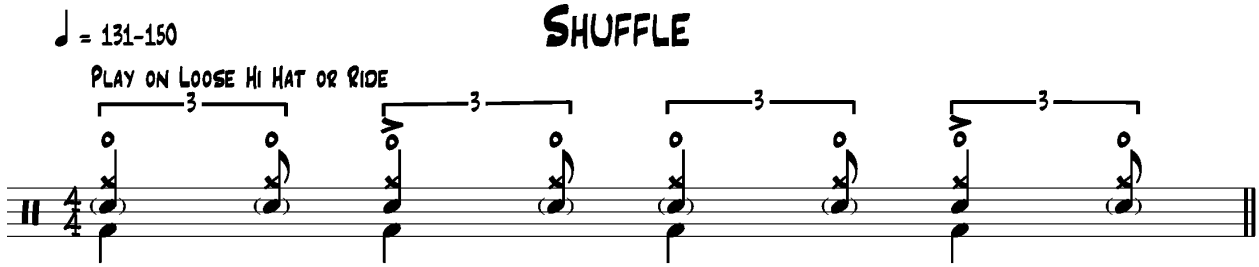

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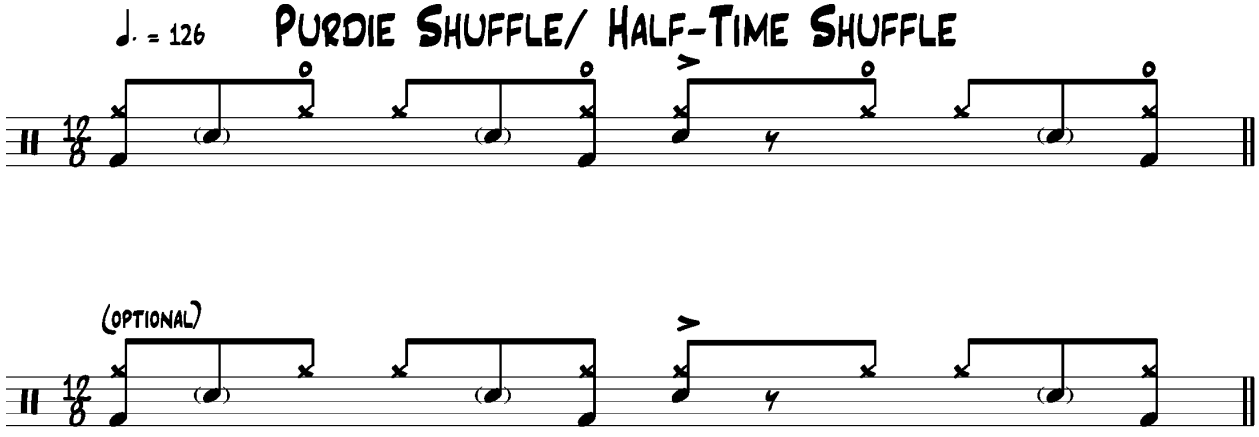
Purdie Shuffle/ Half-Time Shuffle



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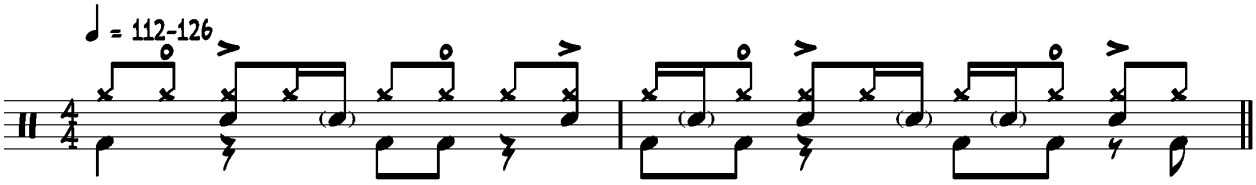

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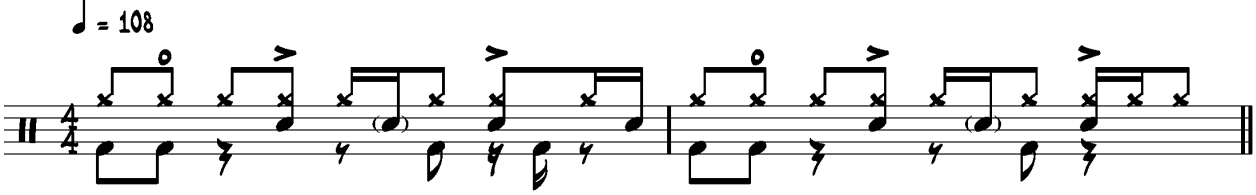
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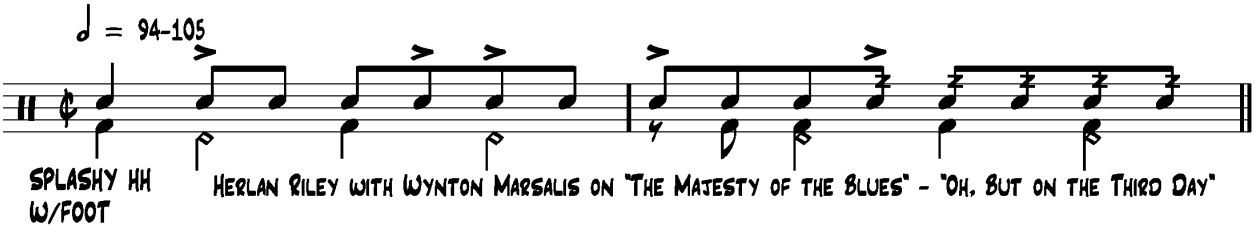
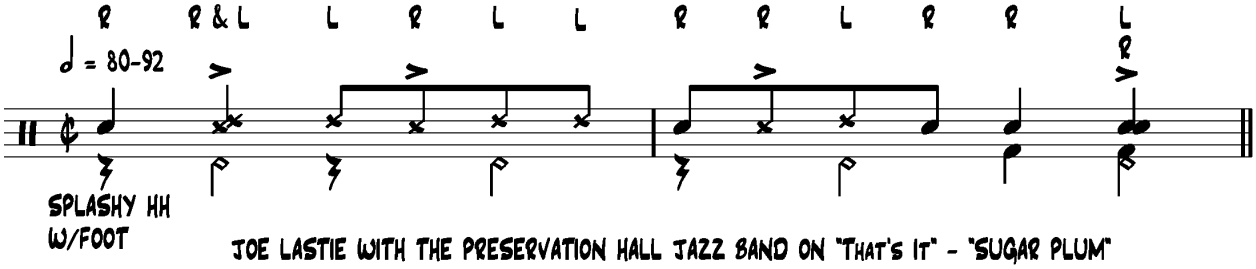

Herlan Riley with Wynton Marsalis on "The Majesty of the Blues" - "Oh, But on the Third Day"

Second Line

SNARES OFF
RH ON HEAD/RIM SHOT
LH CROSS STICK/ON HEAD
SWING 8THS



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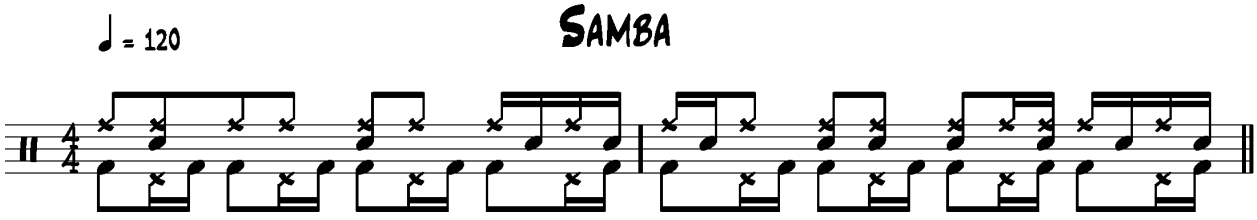
Samba



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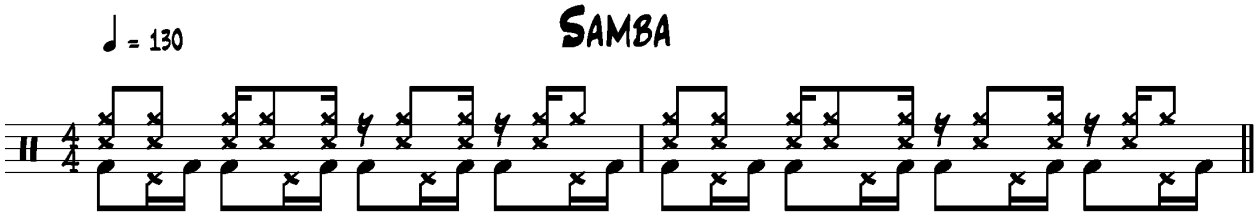

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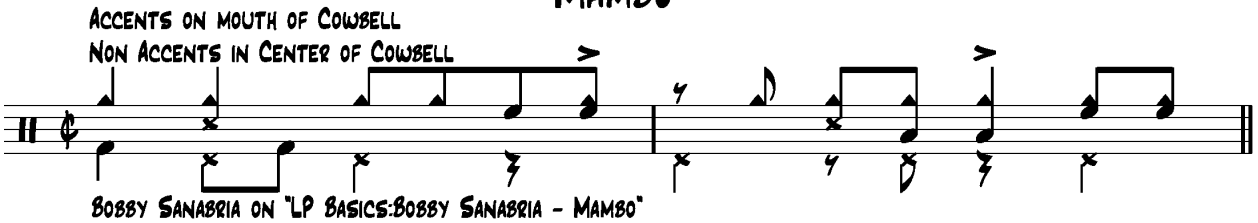
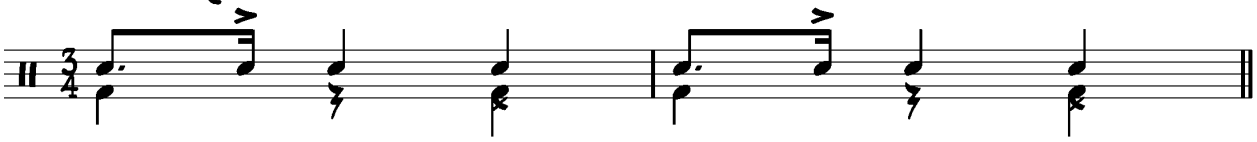
Mambo

Bobby Sanabria on "LP Basics:Bobby Sanabria - Mambo"

3/4 Brushes

RH Taps
LH Sweeps (omitted for clarity)

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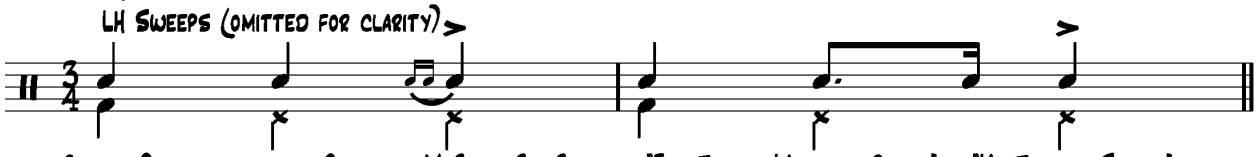
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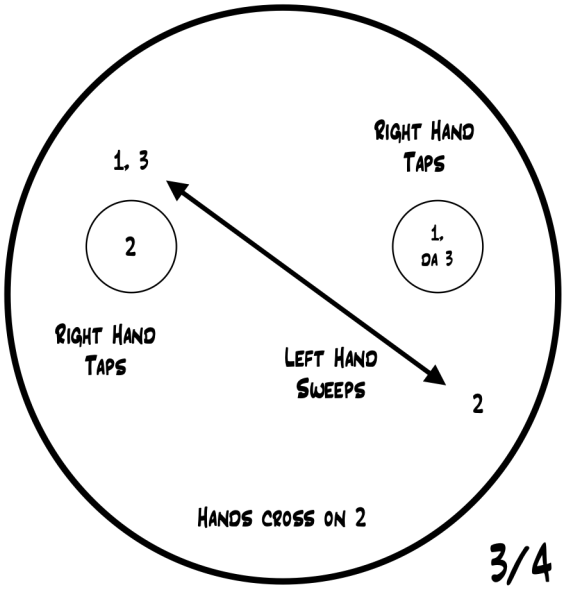

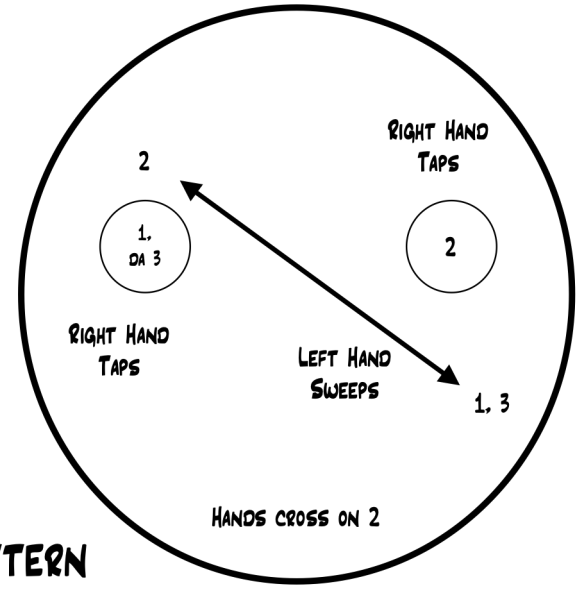

3/4 Pattern

1st measure

2nd measure

For 3/4 time, use the same motion.
Right hand taps 1 2 da 3
Use the same starting position,
but alternate sides each measure.

Ed Thigpen on "Ed Thigpen Drum Lesson Brushes: 3/4"

LINKS TO RECORDINGS/VIDEOS

Where two links are listed, the 2nd link shows the drummer playing

PURDIE SHUFFLE/HALF-TIME SHUFFLE

Bernard Purdie with Steely Dan on "Aja" – "Home At Last"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hx5ZlTyzU-k&list=RDHx5ZlTyzU-k&start_radio=1 (1:00)
Steely Dan on Bernard Purdie https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ldtieSEyQM
(1:00 and 1:52)
Drum Lesson: How to Play the Purdie Shuffle https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XoXkyHhZLxk
(1:34)

SHUFFLE

Mel Lewis with the Thad Jones/Mel Lewis Jazz Orchestra on "Central Park North" – "The Groove Merchant"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lU-TsZ0XnRM&list=RDK5Df9T32XT8&start_radio=1
1:09
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZLvqXFddu0
3:33

FUNK

Clyde Stubblefield with James Brown & The Famous Flames on "Cold Sweat" – "Cold Sweat"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qkgIoMuaoQ0&list=PLSVg1Gu3gw4dV_4eZ77MRGq-AbMSL00Jq&index=12

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yE6aIlbiN1c&list=RDyE6aIlbiN1c&start_radio=1
0:18

SECOND LINE

Joe Lastie with The Preservation Hall Jazz Band on "That's It" - "Sugar Plum"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=62vgxwXmIj8&list=OLAK5uy_l0RY6254Z3Qph1McYYbqEn4PCBJxjmbA8&index=4
0:06
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AdAEeklXSb8
1:16

SECOND LINE

Herlan Riley with Wynton Marsalis on "The Majesty of the Blues" - "Oh, But on the Third Day"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=07WNvirfWFE&list=RD07WNvirfWFE&start_radio=1
0:25
https://wyntonmarsalis.org/videos/view/happy-feet-blues-wynton-marsalis-septet-in-rio-de-janeiro-brasil
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SAMBA
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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=06MBCIMm2Lw&list=RD06MBCIMm2Lw&start_radio=1
0:07
See page 30 Brazilian Rhythms for Drumset by Duduka Da Fonseca (Hudson Music)

MAMBO
Bobby Sanabria on "LP Basics:Bobby Sanabria - Mambo"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ayIksohGESY&t=5s
3:07

BRUSHES
Ed Thigpen Drum Lesson Brushes:3/4"
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=65ZLOodGWSE&list=PLECtzrBqZ8iZ1NA_pbozbUM9ew0xnTXFg&index=3
0:53

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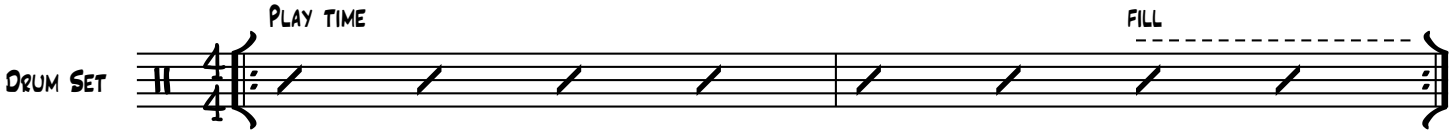
Styles Phrases

You will be asked to play selected styles in 2, 4 or 8 bar phrases ending each phrase with a fill. Examples are shown below.

2 Bar Phrase example



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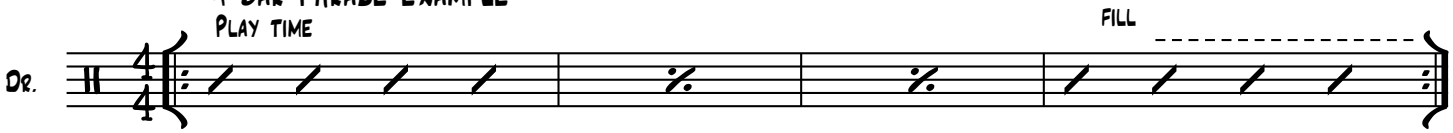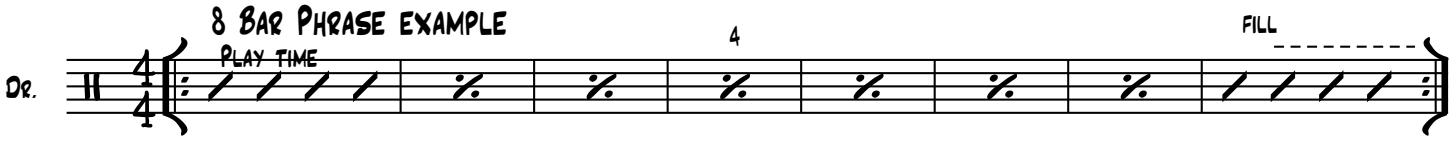
8 Bar Phrase example