



[5] IDENTICAL ATTACK FAMILIES: The ATTACKS of the examples below sound the same. They are similar rhythms. You would have difficulty distinguishing an 1/8th rest from a 16th rest at a fast tempo, especially with the resonation from an instrument body (i.e., bass cavity). Even computer software often confuses rhythms with similar attacks when converting a file by guessing durations. It isn't the decay that people hear when you make a mistake - it's the ATTACKS. The decays can be fixed with rehearsal. At fast tempos you don't notice cut - off time for notes; it's only at slow tempos when you have time to think about decays/cut - off times. Go back and review the previous exercises at a slightly faster tempo, this time with an emphasis on the attacks more than the decays.



