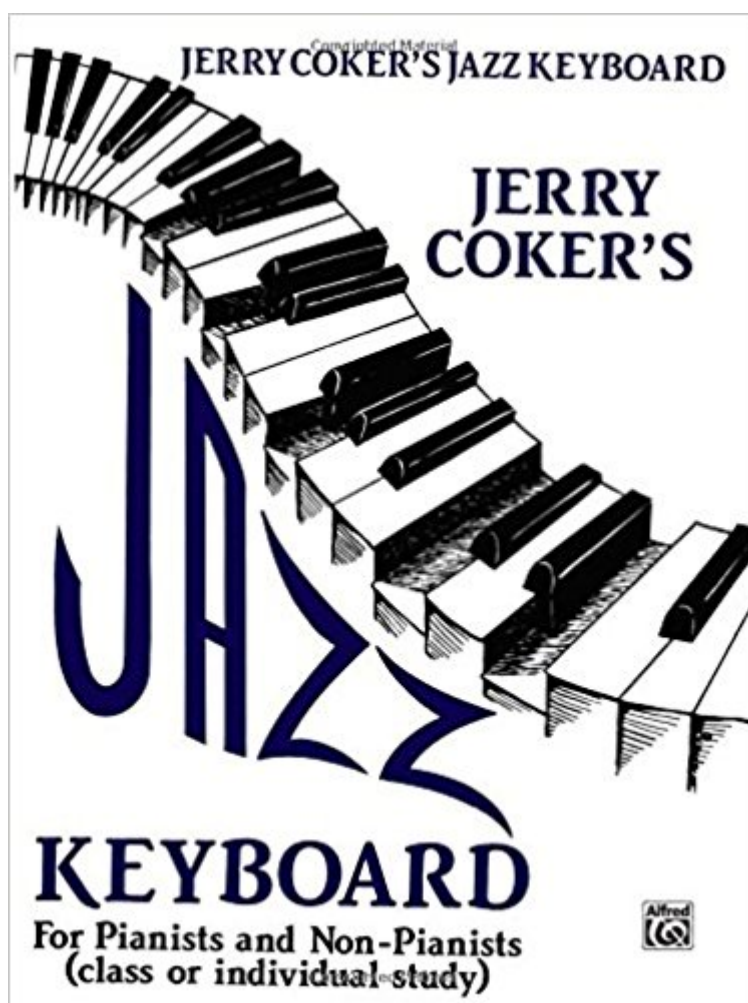




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questions of those who wish to study the subject by themselves. For foundational (classical) scales there are any number of good books to select from. With the above rationale, caveats, and background, Jerry Coker's Jazz Keyboard is one of the best beginning self study jazz books for the piano. This short book is brilliantly set up to take the self study student through the various steps of learning the essentials of becoming a competent jazz musician.

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