

## Octave Sign (8<sup>va</sup> - Ottava)

When 8<sup>va</sup> is written *above* the staff, play one octave **higher** than written. When 8<sup>va</sup> is written *below* the staff, play one octave **lower** than written. 15<sup>ma</sup> means 2 octaves higher (or lower).

### Technique Hints

- Tap the rhythm for each exercise with the correct hand. Count aloud, “1-2-3.”
- Then play using a **rounded hand shape**. Balance on a *firm fingertip* as you play each key. Note: A circled finger number alerts you to a change of hand placement.

## R.H. Fingerwork

Moderately fast

## L.H. Fingerwork

Moderately fast

**More Technique:** Repeat this exercise starting on L.H. finger 2.