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40 John JR Robinson Grooves

"I fell in love with your groove the first time I heard you, and that's why I tried to steal you". John Robinson: 'Well, mission accomplished!'

When one of the greatest producers ever, Quincy Jones, tells you that, then you must be doing something right.

John JR Robinson is the most recorded drummer in history, one of the top names that every drummer should study and understand, and this is a collection of incredible grooves he has played during his career.

That 'something' is what we are going to learn by practicing many of his greatest beats.

The first 20 examples are taken from his 'The Time Machine' Dvd. I picked some of the best rhythms he plays in different sections of this must-have educational video.

I highly recommend it, since not only John sounds fantastic in it, but he also generously explains lots of enlightening concepts.

The second half are transcriptions from recordings he has done with Michael Jackson, Jeff Lorber, Rufus, Seal, Quincy Jones, Lionel Richie, Whitney Houston and many more.

What's so cool about his style is that he has some very unique and original beats, while at the same time he is able to infuse even the simplest rhythm with huge amounts of deep groove. Personality and feeling: a simple and very intelligent way of making music.

Go listen to the recordings to hear his amazing feel and focus on reproducing that as much as you can. That's where the magic is.

You can click on each groove in the Pdf to go to its specific time in the YouTube video where I play each example.

These are fun!

This is part of my 'Groove Masters' mini-series. A few more are on their way (and drop me a line if you have any request).

For instance, I have also created three booklets about Vinnie Colaiuta, Jeff Porcaro, Steve Jordan and Neil Peart, which you can download here:

Vinnie Colaiuta Grooves

Jeff Porcaro Grooves

Steve Jordan Grooves

Neil Peart Grooves

And if you feel like working on your groove, these are for you:

'Groove Workout & Tools' - Altitude Drumming - Volume 7

'Groove Mastery & Formulas' - Altitude Drumming - Volume 8

The click sound is intentionally mixed on the left channel. Pan to the right to listen to just the drums without the metronome.

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'The Time Machine' Grooves

Rhythm Section

♩ = 104 bpm



Brush + Stick Groove

♩ = 95 bpm



Groove

♩ = 120 bpm



Slow Grooves

♩ = 59 bpm



16th Note Grooves

♩ = 106 bpm

Basic

6)

R L R L

Advanced

7)

Rhythm Section

♩ = 126 bpm

8)

R R R R L R R R L R R R L R

Rhythm Section

♩ = 126 bpm

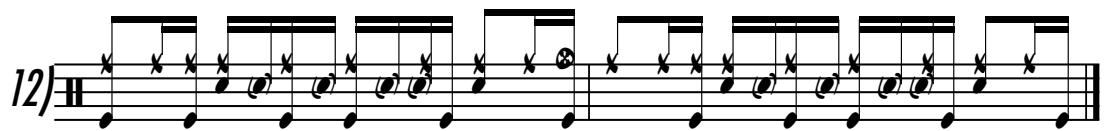
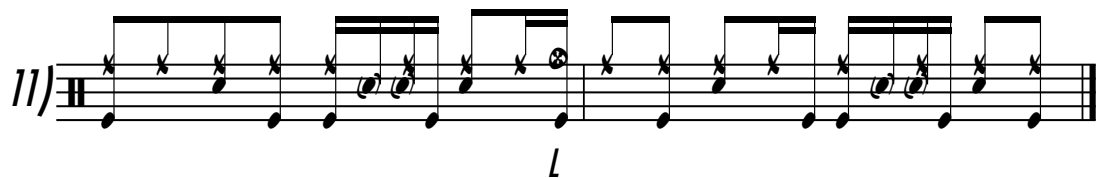
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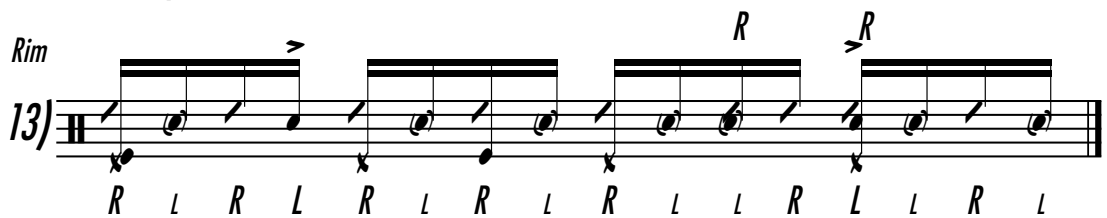
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Ride



Rhythm Section ♩ = 98 bpm

Shuffle Feel



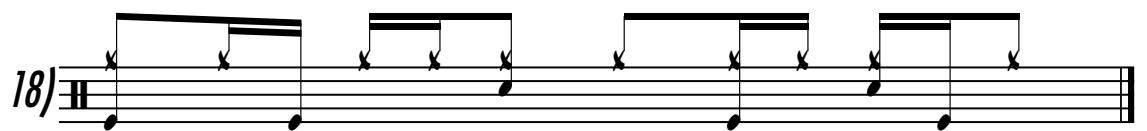
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Rhythm Section ♩ = 118 bpm



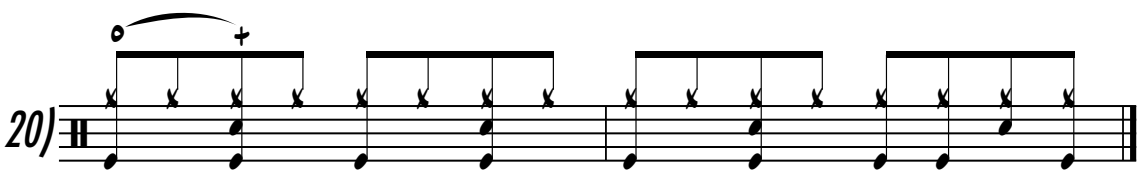
Ride



Ride



Rhythm Section ♩ = 141 bpm



Ride



More John Robinson Grooves

Michael Jackson ♩ = 118 bpm

"Shake Your Body

Down To The

Ground"



Michael Jackson ♩ = 130 bpm

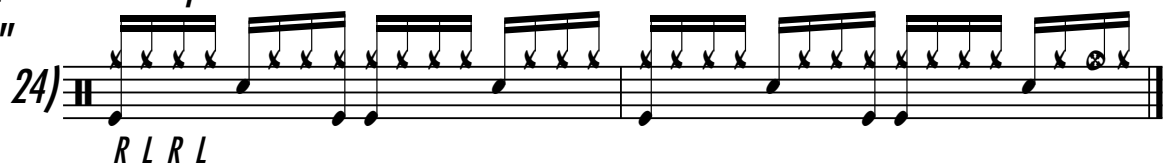
"Working Day

And Night"



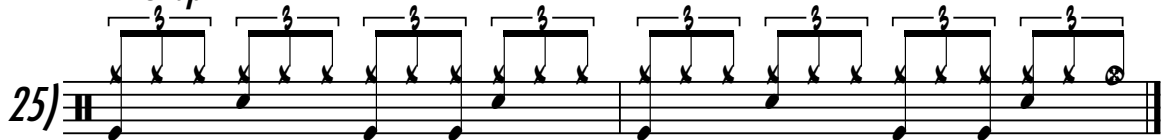
Michael Jackson ♩ = 110 bpm

"Rock With You"



Michael Jackson ♩ = 113 bpm

"The Way You
Make Me Feel"



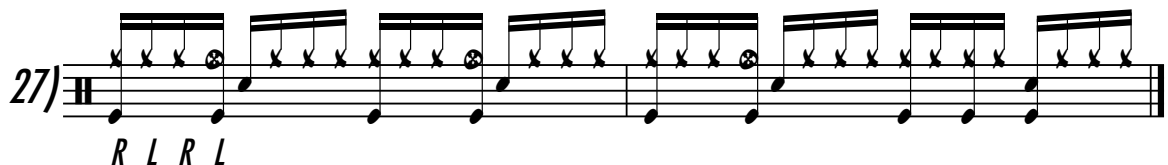
Michael Jackson ♩ = 119 bpm

"Don't Stop

'Til You Get
Enough"



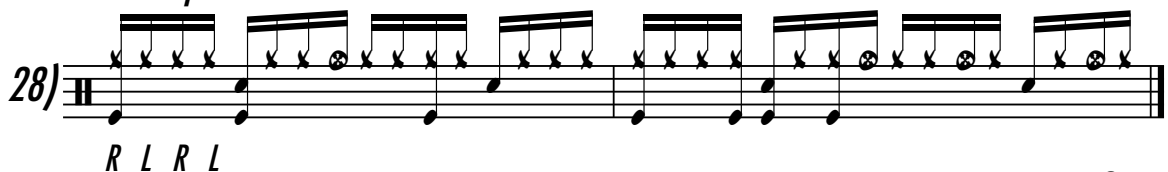
Chorus



Michael Jackson ♩ = 116 bpm

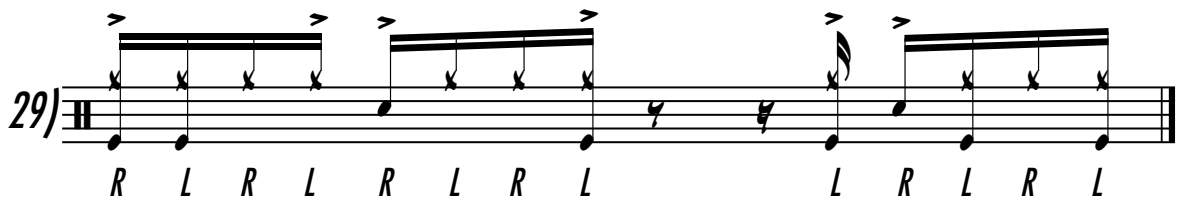
"Burn This

Disco Out"

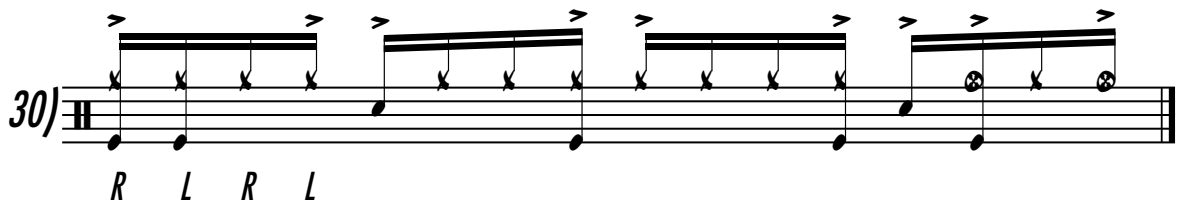


Rufus & Chaka Khan ♩ = 104 bpm

"Ain't Nobody"

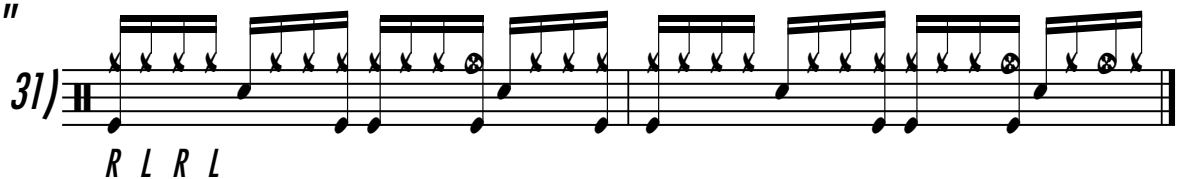


Chorus



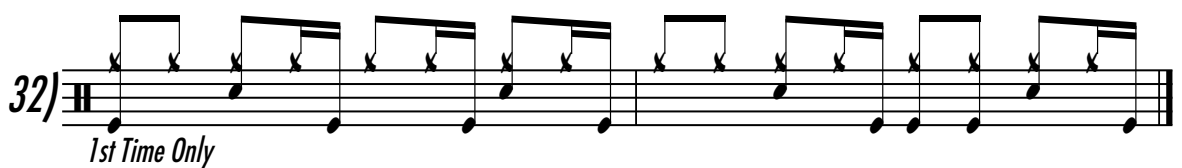
Lionel Richie ♩ = 108 bpm

"All Night Long"



Jeff Lorber ♩ = 93 bpm

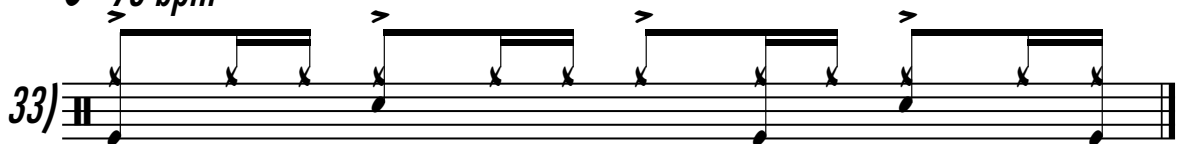
"It's A Fact"



1st Time Only

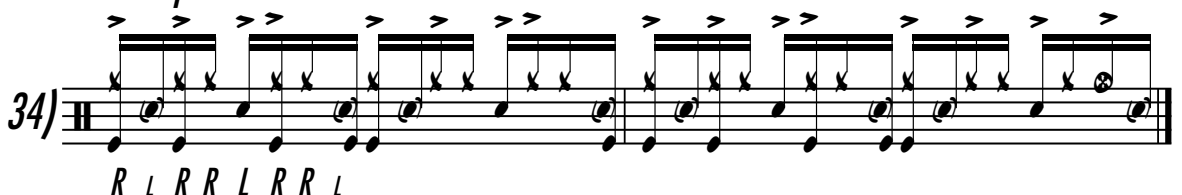
Jeff Lorber ♩ = 76 bpm

"Say Love"



Jeff Lorber ♩ = 90 bpm

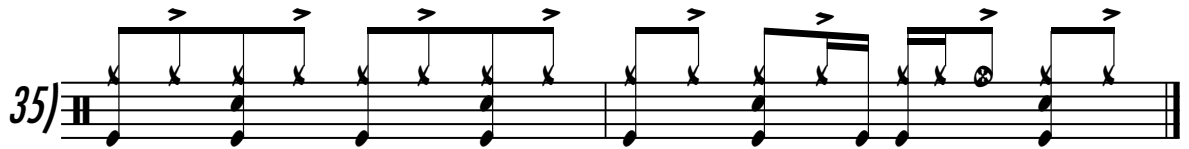
"Midnight"



Quincy Jones
"The Dude"

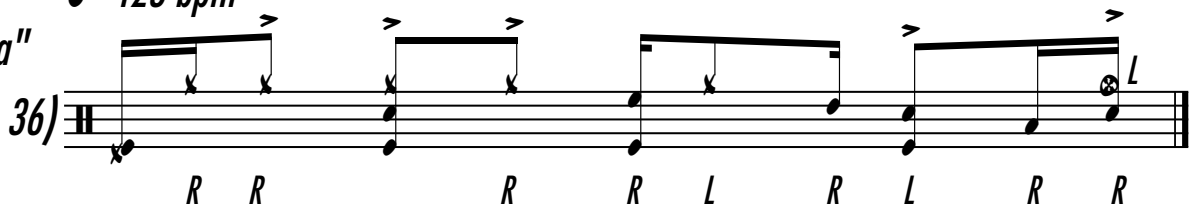
♩ = 96 bpm

Shuffle Feel



Quincy Jones
"Ai No Corrida"

♩ = 123 bpm



Rod Stewart
"Rebel Heart"

♩ = 125 bpm



Seal
"Crazy"

♩ = 103 bpm



Whitney Houston
"The Greatest
Love Of All"

♩ = 66 bpm

Ride



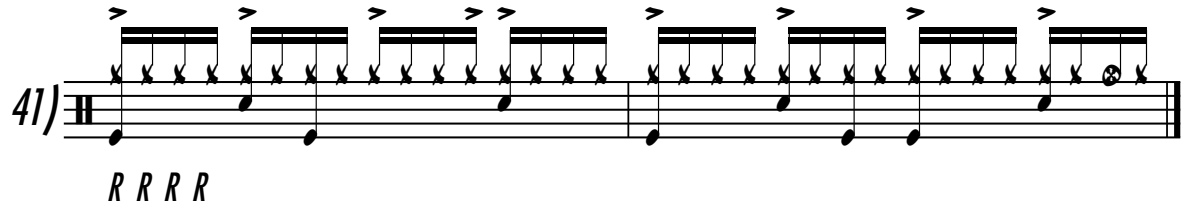
George Benson
"Give Me
The Night"

♩ = 110 bpm



Steve Winwood
"Back In The
High Life
Again"

♩ = 83 bpm



David Lee Roth
"I'm Just A
Gigolo"

♩ = 123 bpm

