

For the Tenor player

The tenor saxophone works exactly the same as the alto saxophone safe for the fact that it is lower in tone. So if you were to play a song from the alto on the tenor using the exact same fingering then you will get the same song but it will sound a bit lower in tonality. If you want to play a song exactly the same as on the alto you have to “Transpose” the notes.

Transposing is another word for “translating the notes from one sax to another” All saxophone types (alto, tenor, baritone, etc) have a different tonality. So if you take a song from any type and you want to play it sounding exactly the same on another type than you always have to transpose the notes. As a tenor player you can use the Hello Saxophone book the same as alto players. Just realize that the instruction video’s are played with **Alto** saxophones. So when you play these tunes using the alto way of fingering they are going to sound a bit lower on your saxophone. So don’t worry that your doing something wrong! You don’t have to transpose any of the stuff in the book but if you want to try and play things sounding exactly the same then you can transpose the notes if you want to.

To help you do that we made a little transposing chart for you showing which notes sound the same on the two sax types.

| Alt | Tenor |
|-----|-------|
| A | D |
| #A | #D |
| B | E |
| C | F |
| #C | #F |
| D | G |
| #D | #G |
| E | A |
| F | #A |
| #F | B |
| G | C |
| #G | #C |
| A | D |

Good luck and have fun playing! J.D.