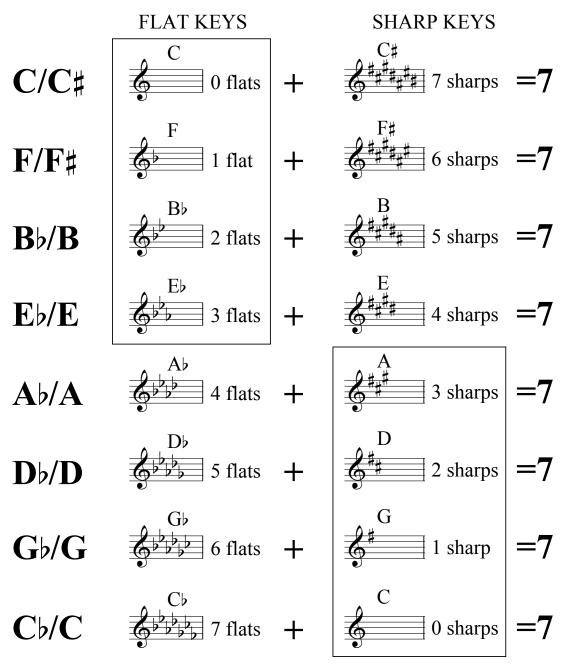
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MEMORIZE the order of flats and sharps on the staff and the key signatures in boxes. Then you will know them all!



SHORTCUTS:

- 1. Remember the order of flats on the staff (B, E, A, D, G, C, F) is the REVERSE of the order of sharps (F, C, G, D, A, E, B)
- 2. For each letter name, there is a flat key and a sharp key.
 - a. Only one will have an accidental in the key name (e.g. F#/F, Bb/B, etc.). Exception: Cb/C/C# b. The total number of flats and sharps for the two keys always adds up to SEVEN (see above).

 - c. If you memorize the keys to 3 sharps and 3 flats, the other keys are easy to find. For instance, $G\flat$ has 6 flats because G has 1 sharp and 6+1=7.

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