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TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Welcome

Thank you for choosing to learn guitar with The Music Bus.

We have a fun, easy to learn guitar method that teaches students both how to play the guitar and music theory.

We motivate our students to practice and become great musicians by presenting them with cool rock, pop and blues songs they can relate to.

Practise

Playing the guitar should be fun.

However, if you want to become a good guitarist you have to practise regularly.

A few minutes each day is best.

Don't try to learn your songs in one big session just before your next lesson!!

Awards

At the end of each term, student work is acknowledged with the presentation of the Max Award.

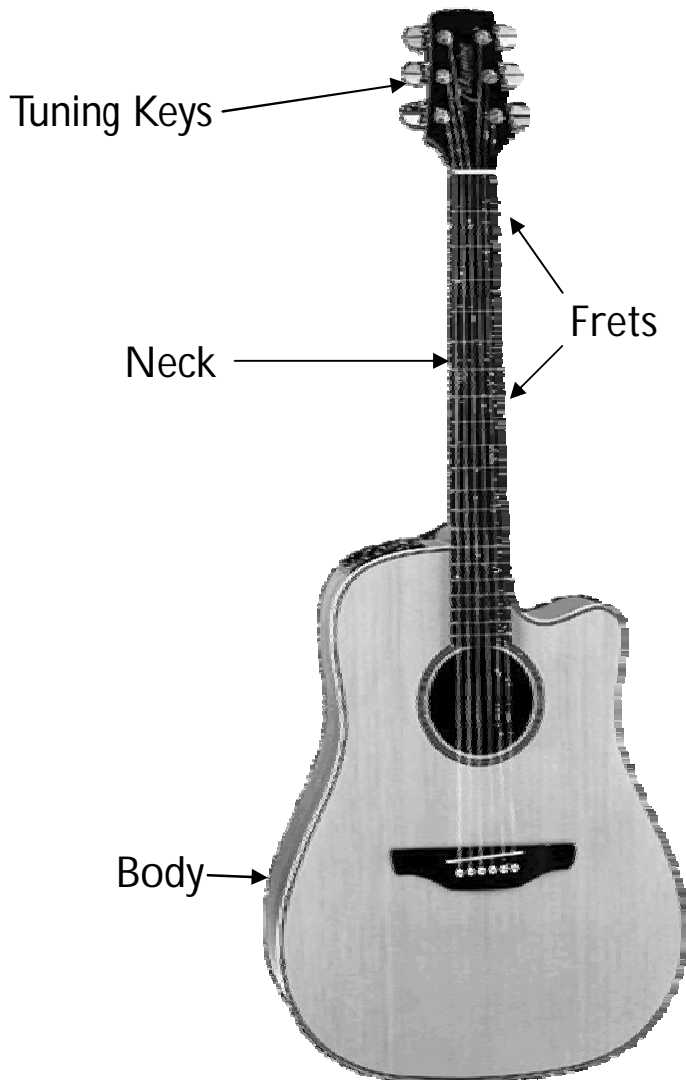
The Music Bus Trophy is awarded to each student who gains 4 Max Awards.



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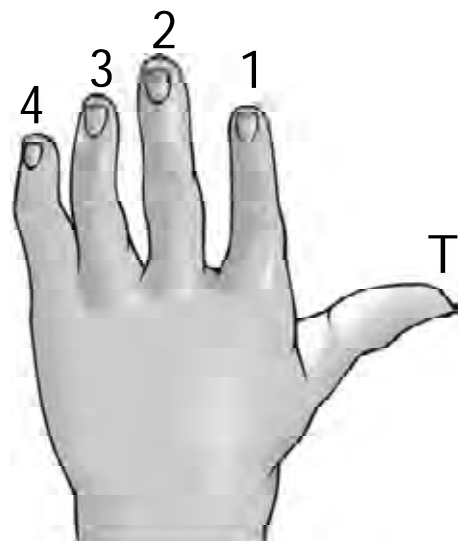
PARTS OF THE GUITAR



Finger Numbers

Your left hand fingers will hold down strings on the neck of the guitar.

Each finger has its own number.



HOW TO HOLD THE GUITAR



Sit up straight.
Rest the guitar on your
right thigh.
Keep the guitar upright
and close to your body.

Holding The Pick

Hold the pick between thumb and
forefinger.
Pointed tip of pick should
face the strings.
Drag the pick downward across
the strings.



Playing Your First Note

To play a note use the fingers of your
left hand to press the string on to
the fret board.

Press down hard!

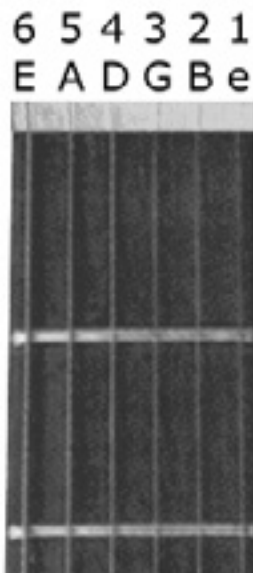
But try not to touch the neighboring
strings.

Your fingertip should be just
behind a fret.

STRINGS ON THE GUITAR

The guitar has 6 strings.

The thinnest string on the guitar is 'String 1'.
The thickest string on the guitar is 'String 6'.



The Names of The Strings

Here is an easy way to remember the note name of the strings.

Each first letter in the phrase

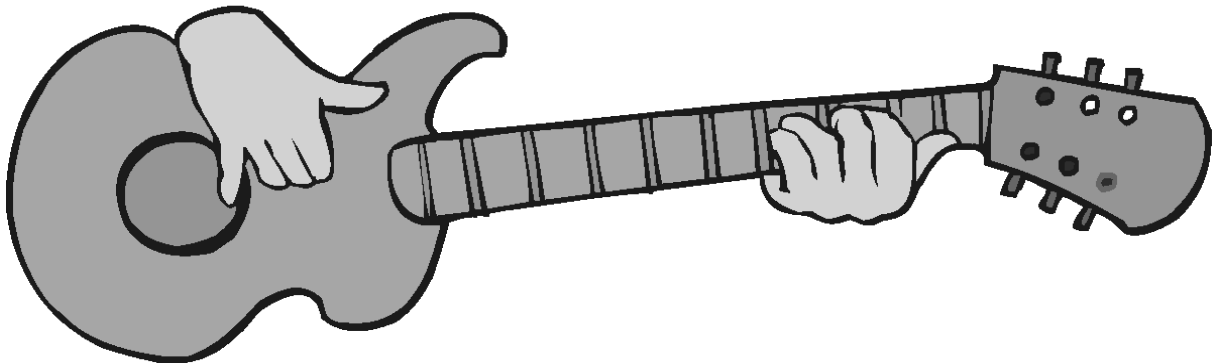
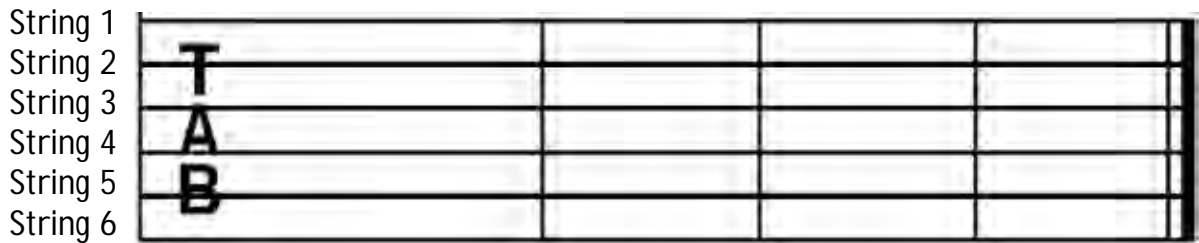
Every **A**dult **D**og **G**ets **B**ig **E**ars

is the name of a string starting from string 6.



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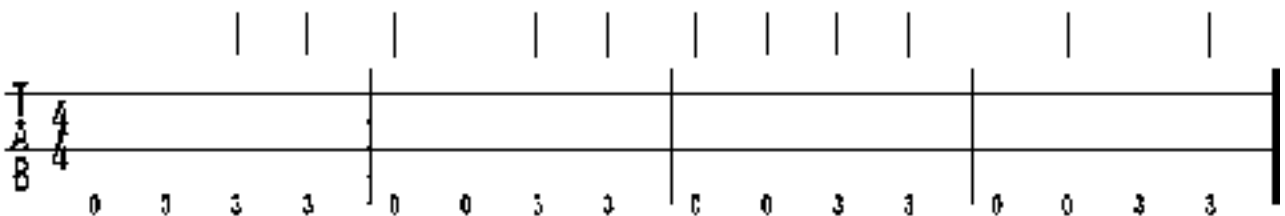
Tab makes reading guitar music easy.
The horizontal lines represent the guitar strings.



Here's an easy song to start you on the path
to becoming a great guitarist.

All notes are played on String 6 (the thickest string).

The Shake



The numbers indicate which fret number
to put your left hand finger on.