

GUITAR LESSON PLAN 3

A FIRST LESSON IN "ROCK" GUITAR

A to G Chord Progression Open Chords

A

G

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Introduction

This lesson is billed as a “First Rock Guitar Lesson” but it is important to recognise that as teachers all we are doing is what we have been doing for the two lessons that led us to this point which is helping our students to learn the best eight chords for a beginner and then to improve their skills with relation to moving between them in time to music

The backing track has a “Rockier” feel than the others used up until this point but the student really just learns a new chord shape (A) and then uses it alongside the first shape that they encountered (G) at the beginning of this series of lessons

As far as a detailed lesson plan goes it is a good idea if you (the teacher) start to look at the process and realise that this lesson plan is the same as all of the others!

Check on progress from the last session by having your student play along with the G-Em-C-D chord progression

Give your learner the A to G chord sheet

Introduce the new chord shape (A)

When they can form and strum the chord introduce the A to G backing track and again work up from single strums to more complicated strumming patterns

You may like to look at the video material relating to this lesson on

<https://teachwombat.com/teachingguitarfirstlessons.html>

Towards the end of the session you can again give your student a Practice Plan to help them to stay focussed between lessons as well as to allow them to make a note of any problems, questions or queries that may occur to them between lessons

By the beginning of the next session your student should be able to form and move between five of the eight chords that they need to be able to use at this stage of their development but if they are having trouble.....
.... **DONT WORRY!**

Every student learns at a different pace and along the way they will forget things and have trouble with parts of the programme that another student (who may not seem so able) sails through

Problem Solving! For me thats the interesting part of the job
Introducing students to material that will allow a beginner to develop the “psychomotor skills” (thats dexterity to me and you) that will over a relatively short period of time allow them to function on the guitar

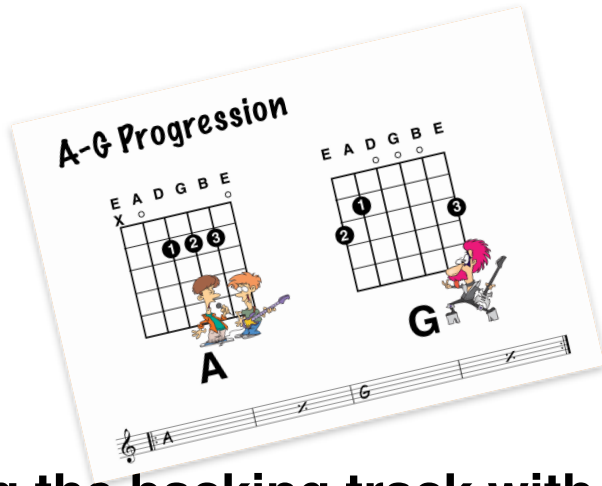
The next lesson (and the plan that accompanies it) is an important one because we introduce the final three chords that a novice needs to learn and then we begin to look at the process involved in turning a beginner into an “intermediate” level guitarist

Next Lesson!

The image displays three overlapping guitar practice sheets. The top-left sheet is a 'PRACTICE PLAN' with sections for 'THEORY', 'TECHNIQUE', 'REPERTOIRE', and 'STUDENT QUESTIONS, P'. The middle sheet is titled 'A to G Chord Progression' and shows two guitar fretboard diagrams for the A and G chords, with fingerings 1-2-3 and 2-1-3 respectively. The bottom-right sheet is titled 'Am - Dm - E Chord Progression' and shows three guitar fretboard diagrams for the Am, Dm, and E chords, with fingerings 2-3-1, 2-3, and 1-2-3 respectively. A large orange arrow points from the 'Next Lesson!' text down to the 'Am - Dm - E Chord Progression' sheet. A musical staff at the bottom of the third sheet shows the chord progression Am, Dm, and E, with a 'Repeat as Required' instruction.

The same material geared towards children's guitar lessons

As with the other lessons in this series there are resources specifically designed to help teach children to play the guitar using this backing track. Find out more at <https://teachwombat.com/teachingchildrenguitar.html>



Using the backing track with more advanced players

As with nearly all of the backing tracks in the download this one can be used with more advanced players. I use this one to introduce power and bar chords as well as to provide a backing for solos using the A pentatonic minor and Blues Scales.

Find out more about using the backing tracks in your teaching at

<https://teachwombat.com/easyguitarbackingtracks.html>

