

## **TUNING GUIDE**



Indicates placement of finger

### **TUNING TO A KEYBOARD**

You can also tune your guitar to a keyboard or piano. The open strings of a guitar correspond to certain notes on a keyboard.

#### **TUNING TO AN ELECTRIC TUNER**

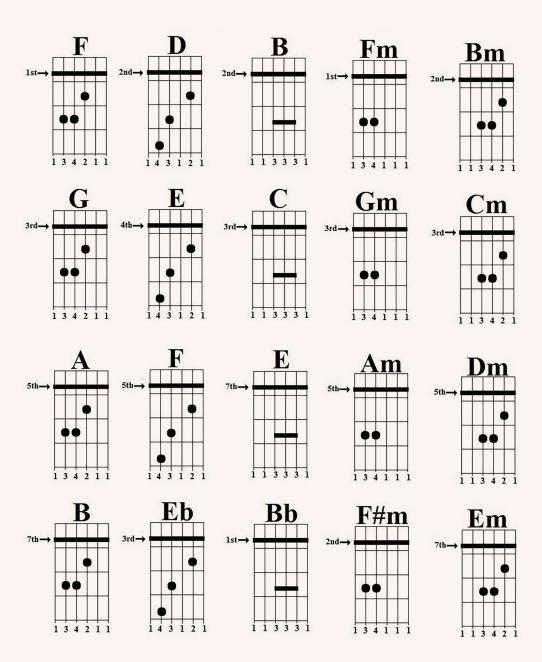
Electric tuners are an easy to use, fast, and accurate way to tune your guitar. According to the directions of your specific tuner, it will display whether you need to tighten or loosen the string in order to be in tune.

#### **TUNING BY EAR**

When tuning by ear the majority of guitarists need to have some kind of reference to start from. Start with tuning the sixth string (low E) and continue in order all the way to the first string. Listen to any example of a "correct" E note as your reference pitch.

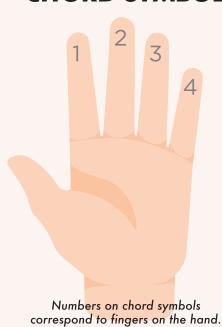
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### **BARRE CHORDS**



# **CHORD SYMBOLS**

### TIPS TO PLAY BETTER



- Place your thumb on the back of the guitar's neck.
  Use your fingertips to play as close to the frets as possible.
- Chords should be played with the finger tips, not the bottom flat side of the finger.
- Use a pick for cleaner chords.
- Concentrate on precise fingering instead of playing fast.
- Record yourself to see your guitar playing objectively and to motivate yourself.
- Use a metronome to improve rhythm and timing.