

Lesson 5



Ukulele School

Playing on a C

-  Listen carefully to the backing it will play a short rhythm on a C followed by a short gap. Simply repeat each rhythm playing the note C on your Ukulele.
-  Play the same exercise, but this time try strumming a C Major chord instead of picking.
-  You could try making up some of your own rhythms, one person can play a rhythm and then everyone else could copy it.

A New Chord! - F Major

We are now going to learn a second chord, it sounds similar to a C Major but is based around the note F instead. It involves pressing down two fingers instead of one so you will need to be really careful to get them in the right place.

-  Remembering to hold your Ukulele properly count down the strings until you find the E string (remember those goats!). Put your first (index) finger in the first fret of the E string.
-  Don't start playing yet you still have the second finger to put down. You need the G string now (the top one). Keeping your first finger

where it is press your middle finger down on the second fret of the G string (Goats!)



Try to press both fingers down with equal pressure and then strum the strings (if all four strings don't sound you're probably not pressing hard enough). Well done your playing an F major.

Piece - Freedom

We're going to learn a short piece on the F major Chord it works in two sections; at the beginning you play together.



Your going to need to strum a short rhythm on an F major chord together. Listen closely to the example and see if you can copy it.



Watch out for the tests in between



This rhythm happens three times before it changes to Ta Ta rest rest Ta.



You then repeat that entire pattern again.



The whole piece uses an F Major chord so make sure that our keep your fingers down firmly.