

# Intro to TAB

TAB is a way of writing music for guitar and other fretted stringed instruments.

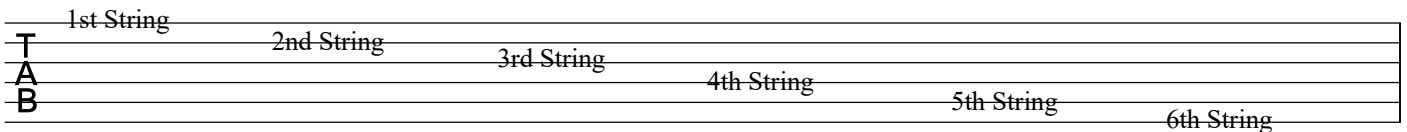
Where as music notation shows you how the music sounds, TAB shows you only where to put your fingers on the guitar.

It is useful because when you know where to put your fingers, you can play songs that you don't yet know the notes to.

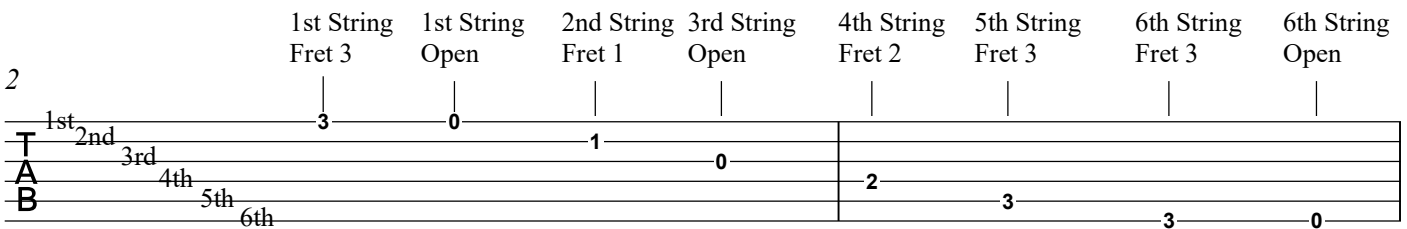
Writing rhythms and other musical information is awkward in TAB,

so TAB works best for learning songs that you already know well, or that you have a recording of.

Each line represents a string  
Count from the top line to the bottom



The numbers tell you which fret to play  
Zero means play the string open



# Happy Birthday

Try playing Happy Birthday from TAB  
Once your fingers get comfortable with the notes, try playing it in rhythm.  
(Note rhythms are not included here, use your memory and ears!)

