

Go Fish Pitch

The rectangles show which pitches you can play in first position on each string. Note that 4th finger plays the same pitch as the next open string up.

The diagram illustrates pitch rectangles for four guitar strings: E, A, D, and G. Each string is represented by a vertical column of six horizontal lines. The top line is the 6th string (E), and the bottom line is the 1st string (G). The first three lines (6th, 5th, and 4th) are solid, while the 3rd, 2nd, and 1st lines are dashed. The first three rectangles (E, A, and D strings) have a black dot at the 4th line, indicating the 4th finger. The G string rectangle has a black dot at the 3rd line, indicating the 3rd finger. The rectangles are labeled with their respective string names: E string, A string, D string, and G string. The number 4 is placed at the top right of the A, D, and G string rectangles, and the number 0 is placed at the top left of the A string rectangle.

- When you play with pitch flashcards, start with open strings and gradually add 1 pitch at a time, starting with the A string:
- With 1 set, look at the first 4 or so notes in the piece you are learning, and find each one in the cards.
 - With 2 sets, play Concentration.
 - With 3 sets, play Go Fish.

When the letter names are familiar, start thinking accidentals: for the first half of Book One, we're in the key of A. Let your child find all the Fs and put a signal dot with a sharp sign to the left of the note. Then all Cs, then all Gs. F becomes "Fis," C becomes "Cis" (soft C), and G becomes "Gis."

Twinkle Rhythms

The diagram shows musical rhythms for three songs: Mississippi Hot Dog, Popcorn * and Peanuts * and, and Motorcycle Putt Putt. Each song has a unique rhythm pattern consisting of eighth and sixteenth notes. The first two songs are associated with the first half of Book One, while the third song is associated with the second half.

Mississippi Hot Dog
or
Motorcycle Putt Putt

Popcorn * and
(Peanuts * and)

Motorcycle Motorcycle

Twinkle, twinkle, little star.