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MUSIC PRODUCTIONS

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Guitar Tuner: I'm a big fan of the <u>Snark Tuners</u> that have become quite popular.. These clip on to your guitar and can be used no matter how loud your environment is.

Guitar Tuna App: This is the app that I use in lessons to tune guitars quickly at the beginning of each lesson. It only 'listens' to the six guitar strings, but it can be difficult to use in a loud environment. This app also has a metronome built into it which will come in handy for some things I ask you to do.

Google Drive App: I use Google Drive a lot in how I teach lessons, while you don't have to use the app to access your files if you're on an iPad or other tablet the app makes things much easier.

How it works: I keep a folder on my computer for each student that syncs to my Google Drive. I share each student's folder with them. Doing this lets us share files back and forth effortlessly. This also eliminates my need to print materials for lessons - I put a file into the student's folder and the file is uploaded by the time they leave from their lesson.

Variety of picks: I encourage all my students to learn to play with a pick. Almost all modern music featuring guitar uses one. I suggest a variety because guitar picks are a lot like shoes - not everyone likes the same thing. This <u>package of 60</u> might seem like a lot, but trust me its the right call. Everyone loses picks on a regular basis.

Capo: A capo allows you to play in a multitude of keys without having to learn a large number of chord shapes. Most songs that we will want to learn will need one to be used. This is the one I use almost everyday.

List of songs you want to learn: This might seem silly, but it can be a lot harder than you might think. If we have a list of songs to learn, we don't spend lesson time working on it!