

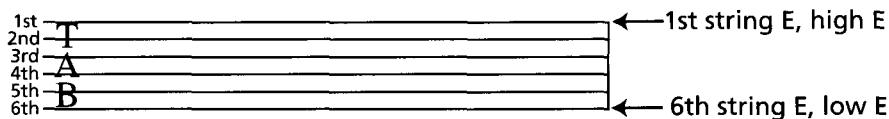
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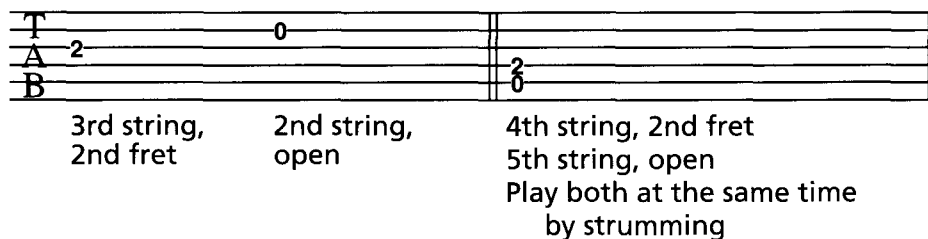
Reading Tablature

Tablature, also known as TAB, is a graphic way of writing guitar music. It is read differently than *standard music notation*, which we will explore later.

Tablature consists of six lines, each line representing a string of the guitar.



The numbers on the lines represent the frets to be played. In other words, if there's a "2" on the third line down, play the 2nd fret on the 3rd string. If two numbers are stacked on top of each other—such as "0" (meaning open) on the 5th string and "2" on the 4th string—play them at the same time. Here are a few examples you can try:



The numbers underneath the lines show you which left-hand fingers to use. Here are some more examples:

