

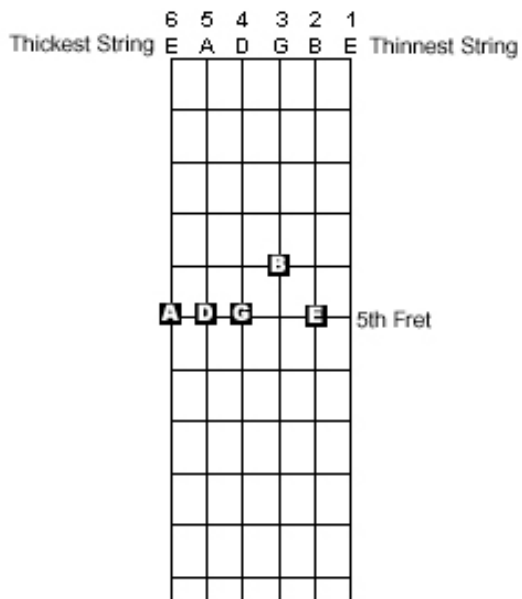


## TUNING TIPS - USE YOUR EARS!!

- You should get into the habit of tuning your guitar every time you pick it up.
- Always "tune up." You want to **increase** the tension of the string until it reaches the desired tone. If you go too far, loosen the string tension and tune up again.
- The goal of tuning is to put your strings in tune with each other. **USE YOUR EARS!!** In "standard tuning" your strings should be tuned to the following notes (low-to-high). The Thickest string is your the 6th string E:

**E A D G B e**  
**6 5 4 3 2 1**

We use a silly saying to help memorize the note names:  
**every Boy Goes Down And Explodes**



There are several ways to tune your guitar. You can use an electric tuner, a piano or keyboard, another (in-tune) guitar, or a tuner on the internet to help find the right pitch.

-Tune the 2<sup>nd</sup> B string (second thinnest and second from bottom) at the 5th fret to the open high e string.

-Tune the 3<sup>rd</sup> G string (third from the bottom) at the 4th fret to the open B string

-Tune the 4<sup>th</sup> D string (fourth from bottom) at the 5th fret to the open G string

-Tune the 5<sup>th</sup> A string ( next to thickest string) at the 5th fret to the open D string

-Tune the low 6<sup>th</sup> E string (thickest and topmost string) at the 5th fret to the open A string.