# Chords Lesson #7: Rock Starter Strumming Patterns

Adding Rhythm to Essential Chord Progressions 1a, 1b, 2a, 2b

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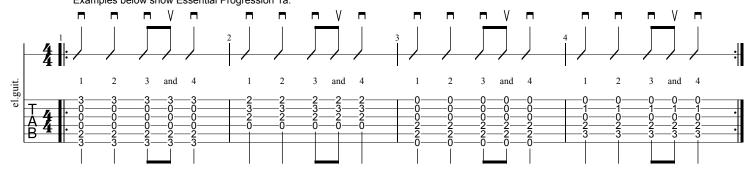
Music by Nate Richards

Standard tuning

= 120

#### A Basic Strumming #1

Develop strategies for picking/strumming aligned with rhythm counting. Apply these strumming patterns to all 4 Essential Progressions. Examples below show Essential Progression 1a.



#### B Basic Strumming #2

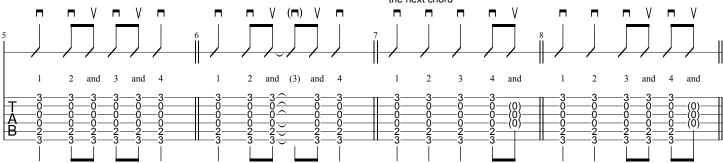
#### C Syncopation #1

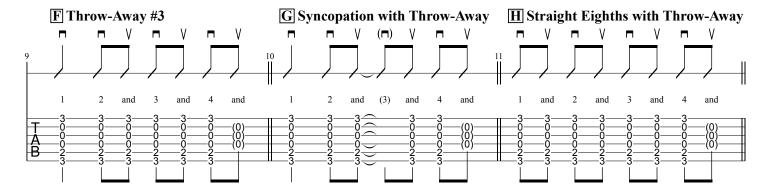
Use a downstroke "Ghost Strum" on beat 3, purposely missing the strings

### D Throw-Away #1

Strum open strings on "4 and" as your fingers lift into the air, anticipating the next chord

#### E Throw-Away #2





## $\hbox{$ \underline{ \mathbb{I}}$ *Bonus Pattern: Eighths with Syncopation } Bonus Pattern: More Syncopation$

