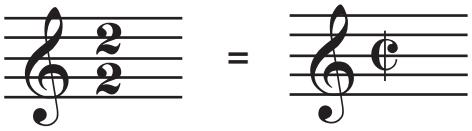
Lesson 7

Common Notation

𝅝 Whole notes have:
an open head
no stem

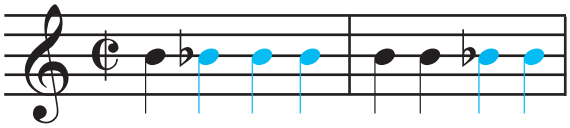
Whole rests
look a lot like half rest,
but they hang
below the fourth line

Half rests
sit on top
of the third line



In 2/2 time, also called "cut time",
a half note gets one beat.

Whole notes are always
four times as long
as quarter notes.

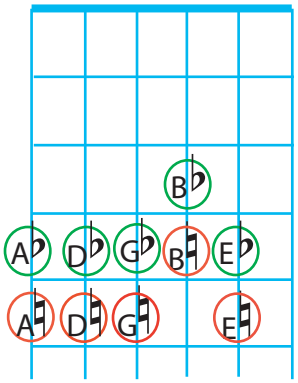


Sharps, flats, and naturals
remain in effect
until the next bar line.

Guitar

♭ "Flat" or "down one half step"
on guitar means
"one fret lower"

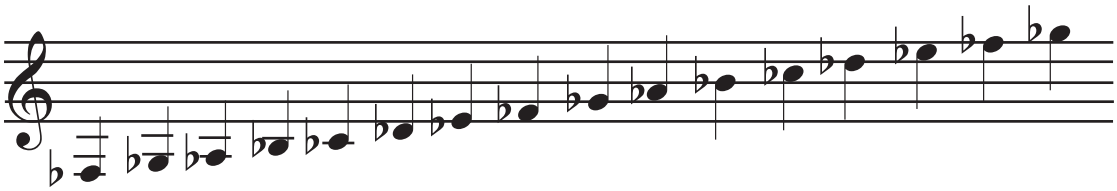
You can't go down one fret
from an open string,
so you have to find the natural note
on the string below,
and go down one fret from there.



Theory Homework

Read about Enharmonic Notes at
http://cnx.rice.edu/content/m11641/latest/

1. Do problem one in "Enharmonic Notes".
2. Write the string and fret where you can play each of these flat notes (2 are done for you):
3. Circle the flat notes below that are enharmonic with natural notes.



String: 6 3
Fret: 0 3

Chord Diagrams

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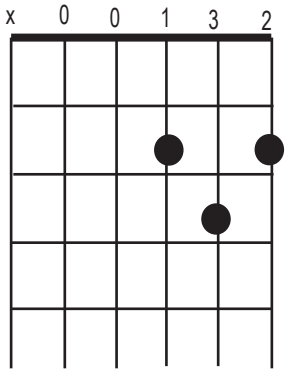

An " x " on a chord diagram means
"do not play this string".