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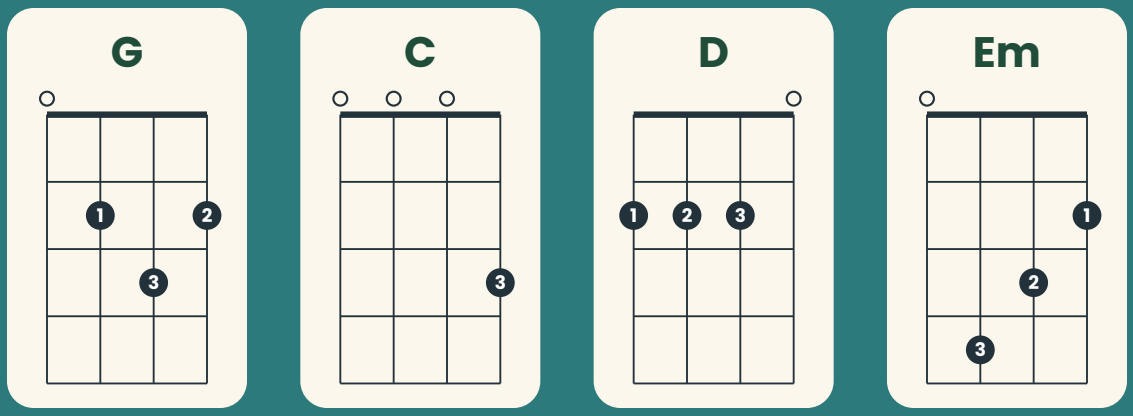
My First Ukulele

Bible Songs for Kids

10 favorite Sunday school songs · big chord charts · easy strumming



Start with just 4 chords. Play your first song this week.

FREE SAMPLE

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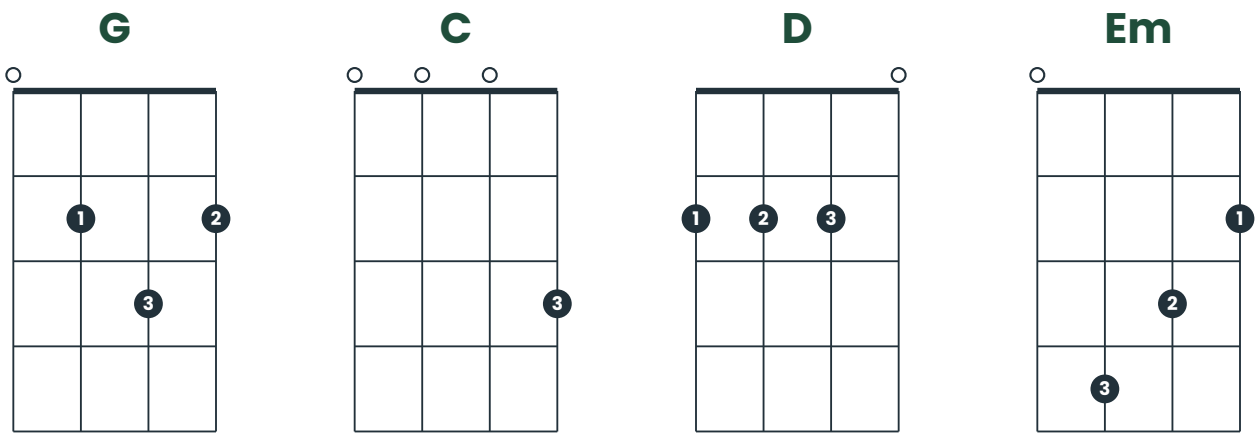
LEVEL 1

Your First Four Chords



- G: three fingers in a little triangle. Strum all four strings.
- C: just one finger! Ring finger on the 3rd fret of the A string.
- D: three fingers side by side on fret 2. Squeeze them in close.
- Em: a stretch at first. Press the bottom three strings on frets 2, 3 and 4.

Drill: play each chord four strums, then switch. G to C, C to G, G to D, D to G, G to Em. Go slowly; smooth beats fast.

LEVEL 1 AND 2

Strumming Made Simple

Count "1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &" out loud. Red arrows are down strums, blue arrows are up strums. Keep your hand moving down and up like a pendulum, even when you skip a strum.

Pattern 1: four steady down strums (start here)



Pattern 2: down, down-up, down-up



Pattern 3: down, down-up, up-down-up (the classic)



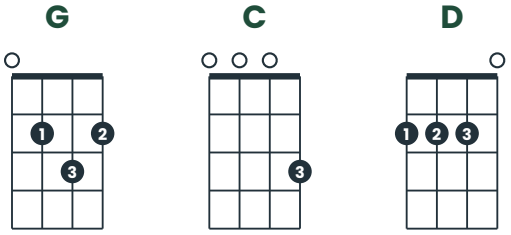
3/4 waltz (for Amazing Grace, Come Thou Fount, Be Thou My Vision):

Count "1, 2, 3." Strum down on each beat, a little stronger on 1. Later try: down on 1, down-up on 2, down-up on 3.

LEVEL 1 · G, C, D

Jesus Loves Me

Words: Anna B. Warner, 1860 · Music: William B. Bradbury, 1862



Strum: Pattern 1 (four down strums)

G
Jesus loves me, this I know,

C G
For the Bible tells me so;

Little ones to Him belong,

C G D
They are weak, but He is strong.

CHORUS

G
Yes, Jesus loves me!

C G
Yes, Jesus loves me!

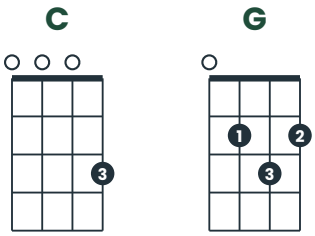
C
Yes, Jesus loves me!

G D G
The Bible tells me so.

LEVEL 1 · C, G

He's Got the Whole World

Traditional spiritual



Strum: Pattern 2

C
He's got the whole world in His hands,

G
He's got the whole wide world in His hands,

C
He's got the whole world in His hands,

G C
He's got the whole world in His hands.

Want all 10 songs?

My First Ukulele: Bible Songs for Kids has 19 pages:

10 favorite Sunday school songs with chords
Level 1 to 4: first chords to fingerpicking
Strumming made simple
Capo and keys for singing
A 30-day practice tracker

This Little Light of Mine, Jesus Loves the Little Children,
The B-I-B-L-E, Amazing Grace and more

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