

First Chords

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Exercise 1

G Em G Em

Exercise 2

C Am C Am

Exercise 3

G Em C Am

Exercise 4

G Em C Am

This lesson is an exercise in changing between chords whilst strumming. The chord names are written above each bar. To learn the chords go to the Basic Major & Minor chord lesson where all the chords can be found. The strum patterns are shown on each stave, if you are not sure how to read them go to the lesson on Basic Strum Patterns.

When changing chords try to look for fretting hand fingers that can stay where they are. For example when changing from G to E minor the 1st finger can remain in place. When changing from C to A minor the 1st and 2nd fingers can stay where they are, and from E minor to C the 2nd finger stays in place.