

Guide Tones

II V I starting on the key of C major

II Dm7 V G7 I Cmaj7 Cmaj7 II Cm7 V F7 I Bbmaj7 Bbmaj7

→ GUIDE TONES IN THE RH (START ON 3-7)

II Bbm7 V Eb7 I Abmaj7 Abmaj7 II Abm7 V Db7 I Gbmaj7 Gbmaj7

II F#m7 V B7 I Emaj7 Emaj7 II Em7 V A7 I Dmaj7 Dmaj7

II Dm7 V G7 I Cmaj7 Cmaj7 II Cm7 V F7 I Bbmaj7 Bbmaj7

→ INVERT THE GUIDE TONES (START ON 7-3)

II V I II V I

Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7 Abmaj7 Abm7 Db7 Gbmaj7 Gbmaj7

II V I II V I

F#m7 B7 Emaj7 Emaj7 Em7 A7 Dmaj7 Dmaj7

II V I starting on the key of Db major

Ebm7 Ab7 Dbmaj7 C#m7 F#7 Bmaj7 Bm7 E7 Amaj7 Am7 D7 Gmaj7 Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 Fm7 Bb7 Ebmaj7

GUIDE TONES IN THE RH (START ON 3-7)

Ebm7 Ab7 Dbmaj7 C#m7 F#7 Bmaj7 Bm7 E7 Amaj7 Am7 D7 Gmaj7 Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 Fm7 Bb7 Ebmaj7

INVERT THE GUIDE TONES (START ON 7-3)

Dominant 7 Chain With Guide Tones

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VOICE LEADING → THE GUIDE TONES DESCEND CHROMATICALLY

D7 G7 C7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db7 Gb7 B7 E7 A7 D7

CHROMATIC APPROACH NOTE TO THE NEXT ROOT

II V I With Dominant 7 Guide Tones In The LH

D7 G7 C7 G7 C7 F7 C7 F7 Bb7

F7 Bb7 Eb7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Eb7 Ab7 Db7

Ab7 Db7 Gb7 C#7 F#7 B7 F#7 B7 E7

B7 E7 A7 E7 A7 D7 A7 D7 G7

Additional Guide Tone Exercises

EACH DOMINANT 7TH CHORD SHARES THE SAME GUIDE TONES WITH A DOM 7TH A TRITONE AWAY

I C7 B♭7 A7 = E♭7 D7 = A♭7 G7 = D♭7 I C7 B♭7 A7 = E♭7 D7 = A♭7 G7 = D♭7
 VI SUB2 A7 = E♭7 V SUB2 G7 = D♭7 VI SUB2 A7 = E♭7 V SUB2 G7 = D♭7

A musical exercise in C major showing dominant 7th chords and their tritone equivalents. The exercise is written in piano style with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: C7, B♭7, A7, D7, G7, C7, B♭7, A7, D7, G7. The guide tones (3rd and 7th) are indicated in blue for each chord. The exercise is divided into two measures, each containing five chords.

MAJOR 7TH CHORD THROUGH THE CIRCLE OF FIFTHS (with 7-3)

Cmaj7 Fmaj7 B♭maj7 E♭maj7 A♭maj7 D♭maj7 F♯maj7 Bmaj7 Emaj7 Amaj7 Dmaj7 Gmaj7

A musical exercise in C major showing major 7th chords through the circle of fifths. The exercise is written in piano style with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: Cmaj7, Fmaj7, B♭maj7, E♭maj7, A♭maj7, D♭maj7, F♯maj7, Bmaj7, Emaj7, Amaj7, Dmaj7, Gmaj7. The guide tones (3rd and 7th) are indicated in blue for each chord. The exercise is divided into two measures, each containing six chords.

DIATONIC 7TH CHORDS IN THE KEY OF C THROUGH THE CIRCLE OF FIFTHS

Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Fmaj7 Bm7(b5) Em7 Am7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Fmaj7 Bm7(b5) Em7 Am7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7

A musical exercise in C major showing diatonic 7th chords through the circle of fifths. The exercise is written in piano style with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: Dm7, G7, Cmaj7, Fmaj7, Bm7(b5), Em7, Am7, Dm7, G7, Cmaj7, Fmaj7, Bm7(b5), Em7, Am7, Dm7, G7, Cmaj7. The guide tones (3rd and 7th) are indicated in blue for each chord. The exercise is divided into two measures, each containing eight chords.

"AUTUMN LEAVES" PROGRESSION WITH GUIDE TONES

Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Fmaj7 Bm7(b5) E7 Am7 A7 Dm7 G7 Cmaj7 Fmaj7 Bm7(b5) E7 Am7

A musical exercise in C major showing the "Autumn Leaves" progression with guide tones. The exercise is written in piano style with a treble and bass clef. The chords are: Dm7, G7, Cmaj7, Fmaj7, Bm7(b5), E7, Am7, A7, Dm7, G7, Cmaj7, Fmaj7, Bm7(b5), E7, Am7. The guide tones (3rd and 7th) are indicated in blue for each chord. The exercise is divided into two measures, each containing seven chords.

INVERT THE GUIDE TONES

Sweet Georgia Brown - Theme With Guide Tones In The LH

Chord progression: F7 F7 F7 F7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7

INVERT THE GUIDE TONES

Chord progression: Eb7 Eb7 Eb7 Eb7 Abmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7 G7 C7

II V I

Chord progression: F7 F7 F7 F7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7

Chord progression: Fm7 C7 Fm7 C7 Ab7 G7 Gb7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Abmaj7 G7 C7

Sweet Georgia Brown - Comping With Guide Tones

Chord progression: F7 F7 F7 F7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7 = ^{Sub V} E7

Handwritten note: SAME GUIDE TONES

Chord progression: Eb7 Eb7 Eb7 Eb7 = ^{Sub V} A7 Abmaj7 Bbm7 Eb7 Abmaj7 G7 C7

Handwritten note: SAME GUIDE TONES

Chord progression: F7 F7 F7 F7 = ^{Sub V} B7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7 Bb7

Handwritten note: SAME GUIDE TONES

Chord progression: Fm7 C7 Fm7 C7 Ab7 G7 Gb7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Abmaj7 G7 C7 F7

The Sidewinder - Comping With Guide Tones

First system of musical notation (measures 1-6). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The notation is in bass clef. The first staff shows guide tones for Eb7 (Fb, Ab) and Eb7 (Fb, Ab). The second staff shows the bass line. Red handwritten notes indicate "1/2 step lower" for the Eb7 chord. Blue handwritten notes indicate the 7th of the Eb7 chord (Bb) and the 3rd of the Eb7 chord (Gb).

Second system of musical notation (measures 7-12). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The notation is in bass clef. The first staff shows guide tones for Ab7 (Cb, Eb), Ab7 (Cb, Eb), Ab7 (Cb, Eb), Eb7 (Fb, Ab), Eb7 (Fb, Ab), and C7 (Eb, Gb). The second staff shows the bass line. Red handwritten notes indicate "1/2 step lower" for the Ab7 and Eb7 chords. Blue handwritten notes indicate the 7th of the Ab7 chord (Cb) and the 3rd of the Ab7 chord (Eb).

Third system of musical notation (measures 13-18). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The notation is in bass clef. The first staff shows guide tones for Fm7 (Ab, Cb), Fm7 (Ab, Cb), Fm7 (Ab, Cb), Eb7 (Fb, Ab), and Eb7 (Fb, Ab). The second staff shows the bass line. Red handwritten notes indicate "TRIADS: F- G-" for the Fm7 chord and "1/2 step lower" for the Eb7 chord. Blue handwritten notes indicate the 7th of the Eb7 chord (Bb) and the 3rd of the Eb7 chord (Gb).

Jordu - Theme & Comping With Guide Tones

A

II D7 V G7 I Cm7 II F7 V Bb7 I Ebmaj7

II D7 V G7 Cm7 Ab7 1. Ab7 2. Ab7

B

G7 C7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db7

→ GUIDE TONES IN THE LH (CHAIN OF DOMINANTS)

F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db7 Gb7

D7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bb7 Ebmaj7

D7 G7 Cm7 Ab7 Ab7

A D7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bb7 Ebmaj7

GUIDE TONES IN THE RH TO COMP

WALKING BASS IN THE LH

D7 G7 Cm7 Ab7 Ab7

A

D7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bb7 Ebmaj7

INVERT THE GUIDE TONES

D7 G7 Cm7 Ab7 Ab7

B

G7 C7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db7

CHROMATIC APPROACH NOTE TO THE NEXT ROOT

F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Db7 Gb7 B7

A

D7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bb7 Ebmaj7

INVERT THE GUIDE TONES

D7 G7 Cm7 Ab7 Ab7 = D7

SAME GUIDE TONES

I'll Remember April - Comping With Guide Tones

A

G maj7 G maj7 G maj7 G maj7 G m7 G m7 G m7 G m7

II V II V II V I

Am7 D7 Bm7(b5) E7 Am7 D7 G maj7 G maj7

→ walking!

B

II V I II V I

Cm7 F7 Bbmaj7 Bbmaj7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bbmaj7 Bbmaj7

II V I II V I

Am7 D7 G maj7 G maj7 F#m7 B7 E maj7 D7

A

G maj7 G maj7 G maj7 G maj7 G m7 G m7 G m7 G m7

The image shows a musical score for the song "The Sound of Silence" by Simon & Garfunkel. The score is written for guitar and piano. The guitar part is in the key of D major and uses a variety of chords, including Am7, D7, Bm7(b5), E7, and Gmaj7. The piano part is in the key of D major and features a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The score is divided into measures, with some measures containing multiple chords. The guitar chords are written in red, and the piano chords are written in blue. The piano part includes a melodic line in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. The score is divided into measures, with some measures containing multiple chords. The guitar chords are written in red, and the piano chords are written in blue.

You'd Be So Nice To Come Home To - Comping With Guide Tones

A

Gm7 Am7(b5) D7 Gm7 Gm7 Fm7 Bb7 Ebmaj7 Ebmaj7

Am7(b5) D7 Am7(b5) D7 Gm7 Em7(b5) A7 Am7(b5) D7

B

Gm7 Am7(b5) D7 Gm7 Gm7 Fm7 Bb7 Ebmaj7 Ebmaj7

Edim7 Bbmaj7/F D7/F# Gm7 C7 = Gb7 F7 Bbmaj7 D7 Gm7

5 6 7

> SAME GUIDE TONES

The Groove Merchant - Theme With Guide Tones

Ab7 Db7 C7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7 Eb7

GUIDE TONES IN THE LH

Ab7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Bb7 Eb7

Ab7 Ab7 Db7 Bb7

Ab7 C7 F7 Bb7 Eb7 Ab7

Sweet Lorraine - Theme With Guide Tones

Sub II

Gmaj7 F7 E7 = Bb7 Am7 D7 D#dim7 Em7 Eb7 Dm7 G7 C7 B7

A

→ SAME GUIDE TONES

Sub II

E7 = Bb7 Am7 D7 B7 E7 Am7 A7 D7

A

→ SAME GUIDE TONES

Gmaj7 F7 E7 Bb7 Am7 D7 D#dim7 Em7 Eb7 Dm7 G7 C7 B7

A

→ IMPROVISE WITH THE G MAJOR BLUES SCALE (= sol la sib si re mi sol)

E7 Bb7 Am7 D7 G6 C7 G6 Dm7 G7

→ IMPROVISE WITH THE G MAJOR BLUES SCALE (= sol la sib si re mi sol)

B

C6 E7 Am7 Ab7 Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 E7 Am7 Ab7 Gm7 C7

F7 E7 Eb7 D7 F7 E7 A7 D7

A

Gmaj7 F7 E7 Bb7 Am7 D7 D#dim7 Em7 Eb7 Dm7 G7 C7 B7

E7 Bb7 Am7 D7 G6 E7 A7 D7 Gmaj7 F7 E7

If I Were A Bell - Theme With Guide Tones

A

G7 Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 Fmaj7

II V I

GUIDE TONES IN THE LH

Am7 D7 G7 C7

B

F7 /A Bb7 C7 Fmaj7 Em7(b5) A7

II V I

Dm7 Bm7 E7 Amaj7 E7 Amaj7 D7

II V I

A

G7 (Gm7) C7 Fmaj7 Fmaj7

Am7 Eb7 D7 G7 C7

C

F7 /A Bb7 Bdim7 F6/C Bb7 A7 D7

→ SAME GUIDE TONES

G7 Gm7 C7 Fmaj7 Fmaj7 G7 C7 Fmaj7

Straight No Chaser - Theme & Impro With Guide Tones

F7 Bb7 F7 F7 Bb7 Bb7

F7 F7 D7 Gm7 C7 F7 D7 G7 C7

→ IMPROVISE AROUND THE MELODY

F7 Bb7 F7 F7 Bb7 Bb7

F7 D7 G7 C7 F7 D7 G7 C7 F7

Rhythm Changes in Bb - Comping With Guide Tones

A

Bbmaj7 G7 Cm7 F7 Dm7 G7 C7 F7 Bb7 /D Eb7 Edim7 Bbmaj7/F G7 C7 F7

→ SAME GUIDE TONES

A

Bb7 G7 C7 C#dim7 Dm7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bbmaj7 Bb7/D Eb7 Edim7 Bbmaj7/F G7 Cm7 F7

→ SAME GUIDE TONES

B

D7 D7 G7 G7 C7 C7 F7 F7

→ GUIDE TONES DESCEND CHROMATICALLY IN A CHAIN OF DOMINANTS

A

Bb7 Bdim7 Cm7 C#dim7 Dm7 G7 C7 F7 Fm7 Bb7 Ebmaj7 Ab7 Dm7 G7 Cm7 F7 Bb7

Doxy - Theme With Guide Tones

B $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ 7 G7 C7 F7 B $\flat$ 7 F7

F PEDAL

TRIAD (NO 7)

B $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ 7 G7 C7 F7

B $\flat$ 7 B $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$ 7 E dim7

SAME GUIDE TONES

B $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ 7 G7 C7 F7 B $\flat$ 7 F7

Doxy - Improvisation With Guide Tones

B $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ 7 G7 C7 F7 B $\flat$ F7

B $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ 7 G7 C7 F7

B $\flat$ 7 B $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$ 7 Edim7

B $\flat$ 7 A $\flat$ 7 G7 C7 F7 B $\flat$ F7

Doxy - Comping With Guide Tones

First system of piano accompaniment. The key signature has two flats (Bb and Eb). The system consists of two staves. The right staff contains chords and guide tones for Bb7, Ab7, G7, C7, F7, Bb7, and F7. Blue numbers '3' and '7' indicate the third and seventh of each chord. The left staff contains a walking bass line. A red arrow points to the first measure of the left staff with the text 'walking!'.

Second system of piano accompaniment. The right staff contains chords and guide tones for Bb7, Ab7, G7, C7, and F7. Blue numbers '3' and '7' indicate the third and seventh of each chord. The left staff contains a walking bass line.

Third system of piano accompaniment. The right staff contains chords and guide tones for Bb7, Bb7, Eb7, and Edim7. Blue numbers '3' and '7' indicate the third and seventh of each chord. The left staff contains a walking bass line.

Fourth system of piano accompaniment. The right staff contains chords and guide tones for Bb7, Ab7, G7, C7, F7, Bb7, F7, and Bb7. Blue numbers '3' and '7' indicate the third and seventh of each chord. The left staff contains a walking bass line.

Don't Know Why (Norah Jones) - Intro With Guide Tones

Bbmaj7 Bb7 Ebmaj7 D7 Gm7 C7 F7sus F7sus

Bbmaj7 Bb7 Ebmaj7 D7 Gm7 C7 F7sus Bb

Roof Garden (Al Jarreau) - Chorus With Guide Tones

II sub V Ebm7 A7 Ab7 II sub V Dbm7 G7 Gb7 II sub V Ebm7 A7 Ab7 II sub V Fm7 B7 Bb7

Ebm7 A7 Ab7 Dbm7 G7 Gb7 Ebm7 A7 Ab7 Fm7 B7 Bb7

Dance Little Sister (Terence Trent d'Arby) - Chorus With Guide Tones

II Dm7 G7 Dm7 G7 Dm7 G7 Dm7 G7

This system contains the first four measures of the chorus. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The first measure is marked with a red 'II' and 'Dm7' (F#4, C5, G5, Bb5). The second measure is marked with a red 'V' and 'G7' (B4, D5, F#5, Ab5). The subsequent measures follow a Dm7-G7 pattern. The bass line consists of a steady eighth-note accompaniment: F#2, A2, B2, D3, F#3, A3, B3, D4.

II Dm7 G7 Dm7 G7 Dm7 G7 Dm7 G7 Dm7

This system contains measures 5 through 9. Measures 5 and 6 are marked with a red 'II' and 'Dm7'. Measures 7 and 8 are marked with a red 'V' and 'G7'. Measure 9 is marked with 'Dm7'. The final measure of the system (measure 10) is a whole note chord of Dm7 (F#2, A2, B2, D3, F#3, A3, B3, D4). The bass line continues with the same eighth-note accompaniment as the first system.