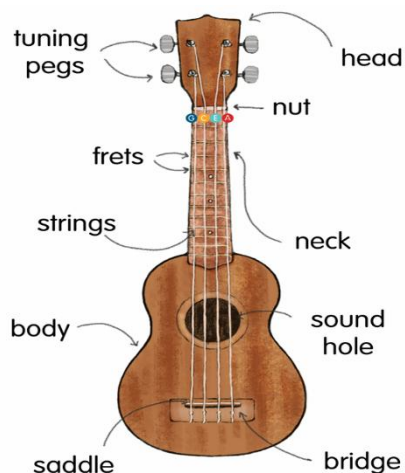




Key Knowledge

There are names for each part of the **ukulele**.

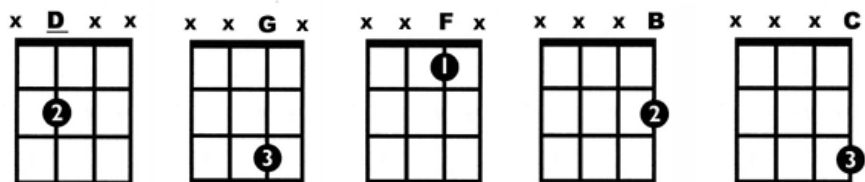


The ukulele has four strings. Each string is tuned to a different note using the tuning pegs. The names of the strings can be remembered using:

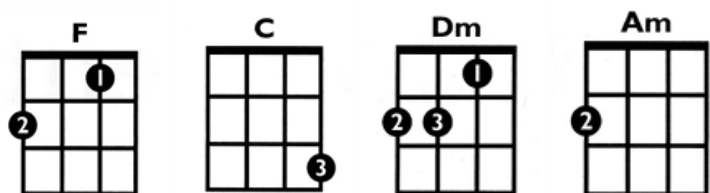
good camels eat apples
G, C, E, A



The ukulele can play **single notes**.



It is important that the correct fingers are used on the right strings. To know which fingers to use, look at the numbers in the black circles. The ukulele can also play **chords**. Each chord has a different name.



LEFT HAND

pitch



tempo



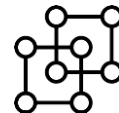
duration



dynamics



structure



timbre



Key Questions

-Where does the ukulele come from?

Find out more!

- What does the word 'ukulele' mean?

- What family of instruments is the ukulele from?

Key Vocabulary

Meaning

ukulele	a musical instrument which looks like a small guitar
strumming	the technique of dragging a finger and thumb across the four strings
plucking	the technique of picking one string to produce a single note
chord	three or more notes played at the same time
fret	the lines going across the neck of a stringed instrument
tab	simplified musical notation for stringed instruments

Did you know...

It's important to take care of your ukulele.

Here are some tips:

- store it in its case somewhere safe
- keep it dry; try not to get it wet
- don't let it get really hot or really cold
- leave the tuning pegs alone

It's also important to hold the ukulele correctly. The ukulele should be held upright against the body. The thumb of the hand holding the neck should point towards the ceiling and the wrist should be nicely rounded, never bent.

