

Steve Cropper Riff Study

Steve Cropper (Transcribed: Alex Nauman)

"Time is Tight" (Booker T. & The M.G.s)

Intro/Verse Riff: (C) (F)

TAB

"Time is Tight" Lead Guitar Lick (1:35)

TAB

9

TAB

"Old Man Trouble" (Otis Redding)

Intro: A (E) A

TAB

(E) F# A

8

TAB

0 0 2 3 2 0 | 2 2 2 2 2 | 5 5 5 4

1 0 1 3 3 0 | 4 4 4 4 4 | 7 7 7 7 7 6

2 2 3 4 3 1 | 4 4 4 4 4 | 5 5 5 5 5 6

0 4 2 4 2 4 | 7 5 7 5 7 5

Verse: A E

8

TAB

5 5 5 5 | 0 2 3 2 0

7 7 7 7 | 1 3 4 3 1

0 2 2 1 0 2 3 3 2 0

7 7 7 7 | 0 2 2 1 0 2 3 3 2 0

"Soul Limbo" (Booker T. & the M.G.s)

C F G F

8

TAB

3 0 3 | 1 0 3 | 3 2 0 | 3 2 0

"Soul Limbo" (Booker T. & the M.G.s) - Riff Variation

C F G F

8

TAB

3 0 3 | 1 0 3 | 3 2 0 | 3 3 3 2 0

"Soul Man" (Sam & Dave) - Original Key

Intro:

Musical notation for the Intro of "Soul Man". The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The bottom staff is a guitar TAB with six lines. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes with slurs and ties. The TAB includes fret numbers such as 12-12, 12-10-10, 10-10, 8-10, 10-10, 10-12, and 12-14.

Verse:

Musical notation for the Verse of "Soul Man". The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The bottom staff is a guitar TAB with six lines. The melody consists of eighth notes with slurs and ties. The TAB includes fret numbers such as 8-8, 12-12, 12-10-8, 8-8, 12-12, 12-10-8, 8-8, 12-12, 12-10-8, 8-8, 12-12, 12-10-8, 8-8, 12-12, 12-10-8, 8-8, 12-12, 12-10-8.

"Born Under A Bad Sign" (Albert King)

Intro:

Verse:

Musical notation for the Intro and Verse of "Born Under A Bad Sign". The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The bottom staff is a guitar TAB with six lines. The melody consists of eighth notes with slurs and ties. The TAB includes fret numbers such as 4, 2, 4, 2, 4, 2, 4, 2, 0, 4, 2, 4, 2, 0, 4, 2, 4, 2, 0, 4, 2, 4, 2, 0.

Verse 2, Riff Variation:

Musical notation for Verse 2, Riff Variation of "Born Under A Bad Sign". The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The bottom staff is a guitar TAB with six lines. The melody consists of eighth notes with slurs and ties. The TAB includes fret numbers such as 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 0, 2, 2, 0, 4, 2, 4, 2, 4, 2, 4, 2, 2.