



# Music Musings No.6: Using All 7 Chords !

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## ADVANCED CHORD PLAY - using all 7 chords from the scale

In Music Musings No. 5, we learned to play songs using chords built on the 1, 4, 5 and 6 tones of the C scale. Now lets play some songs using other chords from the C scale (see Musings 3 to review your 7 chords in the key of C). The songs below may use any of the 7 different chords! Chord numbers are included for the first 2 songs.

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|---------------|---|----|----|---|---|----|------|---|
| Chord number: | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4 | 5 | 6  | 7    | 8 |
| Chord name:   | C | Dm | Em | F | G | Am | Bdim | C |

### (Somewhere Over the Rainbow)

CHORD NAMES --> C      Am      Em      C      F      C  
 CHORD No. -----> 1      6      3      1      4      1

Some where over the rainbow, way up high.

F              C              Am      Dm      G C  
 4              1              6      2      5 1

There's a land that I heard of once in a lullaby.

### (Lean On Me)

C      C Dm Em F F Em Dm C C Dm Em Em Dm  
 1      1 2 3 4 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 3 2

Some times in our lives, we all have pain, we all have sor - row.

C C Dm Em F F Em Dm C C Dm Em Bdim C  
 1 1 2 3 4 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 7\* 1

But, if we are wise, we know that there's al- ways to - mor - row.

(\* Play this 7 chord starting one note BELOW the C, an octave lower than where you would usually play it.)

### (Gilligan's Island)

Am                      G                      Am                      G

Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale, a tale of a fateful trip.

Am                      G                      F                      G Am

That started on this tropic port, aboard this tiny ship.

### (I Want It That Way - Backstreet Boys)

Am F C Am F C Am F C

You are my fire . . . my one desire . . . believe when I say.

Am G C

I want it that way.

**(The Hammer Song)**

**BONUS QUESTION:** How many times is the chord pattern **C Em F G** used in The Hammer Song?

**C Em F G C Em F**  
 If I had a ham - mer, I'd hammer in the morn . . . . . ing,  
**G C Em F G**  
 I'd hammer in the evening, all over this land.  
**C Am**  
 I'd hammer out danger, I'd hammer out a warning,  
**F C F C**  
 I'd hammer out love between my brothers and my sisters,  
**F C G C Em F G C Em F G**  
 all . . . . . over this land . . . . . ooh.

**(The Rose)**

**C G F G C**  
 Some say love, it is a river that drowns the tender reed,  
**C G F G C**  
 Some say love it is a razor that leaves your heart to bleed,  
**C F G**  
 Some say love it is a hunger, an endless, aching need.  
**C G F G C**  
 I say love it is a flower, and you, it's only seed.

**(Put a Little Love in Your Heart)**

**C F C**  
 Think of your fellow man, lend him a helping hand, put a little love in your heart.  
**( still a C chord) F C**  
 You see, it's getting late. Oh, please, don't hesitate, put a little love in your heart.  
**(still a C chord) Dm G C Dm G**  
 And the world will be a better place, and the world will be a better place.  
**( G ) ----->**  
 For you and me, you just wait and see . . .

Now try figuring out how to play the songs below, starting and ending on C, & using any of the other 7 chords:

- 1) **Y.M.C.A** Verse = C Am F G Chorus = C Am Dm G
- 2) **Witch Doctor** Verse = C G7 C Chorus = C F C G7 , C F, G C etc.
- 3) **Blowin' in the Wind** Verse = C F C, C F G etc. Chorus = F C Am, F G C
- 4) **Do Wa Diddy Diddy** Verse = (3 x): C F C Chorus = C C C G
- 5) **Danny Boy** Verse = C F , C Em F G7, CF , C Dm G C. Chorus = Am F G C,  
 (Chorus continued) Am F Em G , C F C Am, C F G C.