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If your students can play the attached study, they are reading for this collection.

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Single-string studies is an important part of guitar education. Students frequently learn note reading and note placement through playing single-string studies.

All students now know all of the notes in first position. It is time to extend the playing range of the guitar. There is no better way to extend the playing range than by introducing the fifth position. This method teaches the fifth position in a similar approach to teaching first position, using many of the same songs learned in year one.

This approach has been tested repeatedly with intermediate middle and high school students. The guitar class as a whole will become better at ensemble playing as students extend their playing range and learn the fifth position.

# Combining the Two

Fifth Position

1 F 2 F 3 C7 4 F

5 F 6 F 7 C7 8 F

# In Three

1 C7 2 C7 3 F 4 F 5 C7 6 C7

7 F 8 F 9 C7 10 C7 11 F

12 F 13 C7 14 C7 15 F 16 F

# Lightly Row

1 F 2 C7 3 F 4 F 5 F

6 C7 7 F 8 C7 9 F 10 C7 11 C7 F

12 F 13 F 14 C7 15 F 16 F

# Ode to Joy

Fifth Position

1 F 2 C 3 F 4 C 5 F

6 B $\flat$  7 F 8 C 9 F 10 C 11 F 12 C 13 F 14 B $\flat$  15 F 16 C F

# Down By The Station

1 F 2 F 3 C7 4 F

5 F 6 F 7 C7 8 F

# We Roll Along

1 F 2 F 3 C7 4 F

5 F 6 F 7 C7 8 F