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Yep, it's bullshit.

If it were true, the following would have to be true:

- never noticed his chords and scales sounded wrong.
- never noticed that every piece of tab was wrong.
- basically never learnt a song.
- never noticed guitar tuners didn't really work.
- never read a packet of strings.
- never let another guitarist play his guitar in 20 years.
- never played another guitar besides his own in 20 years.
- never played in front of people or jammed with anyone in 20 years (because they would have obviously told him something was up).
- never had a fucking conversation about guitars with anyone (if there's one thing guitarists love talking about, it's guitars).
- never followed along to a YouTube tutorial.
- never saw a chord chart or scale diagram.
- never thought "this is hard, maybe I should do some research"

Some of these could be true, but no way in hell all of them are true, over 20 years.

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r/Guitar · Posted by u/xxFT13xx1 day ago

Standard E tuning question

When I first picked up a guitar back in the late 90's, I spoke with a number of local guitarists and tried to learn from them. All of them told me standard tuning on a guitar is EBGDAE and told me to easiest way to remember is "Every Boy Gives Dan An Excellent".

This is how I've ALWAYS tuned.

For some reason, during recent tuning sessions, all my tuners have said I'm in E, but it doesn't sound like it.

Doing research, I'm now finding out that the ACTUAL way to tune is the opposite: EADGBE.

Is this true? Have I been taught wrong all these years by multiple people???

Honestly, I really play in Drop D, but if I've been tuning improperly for over 20 years....man....I'm gonna feel so frickin dumb!!!!

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