Lesson 39 – My Dreydl

Tone Range



Chords Learned

- C Major (C–E–G)
- **F Major** (F–A–C)
- **G Major** (G–B–D)
- **Bb Major** (Bb–D–F)
- **D Minor** (D–F–A)
- A Minor (A–C–E)

History

My Dreydl is a fun song that children have been singing for many years during **Hanukkah**, a special Jewish holiday.

In the song, we hear about a **dreydl**—a little spinning top used in a traditional Hanukkah game. Kids spin the dreydl and play for small treats like chocolate coins or nuts.

People sing this song to celebrate family, tradition, and joy during Hanukkah. It helps us remember the past, and it brings everyone together through music and play!

Musical Form

My Dreydl is written in **Verse–Chorus form**. That means we sing a short **verse** first, and then the same **chorus** comes back each time.

The verses tell the story about the dreydl, and the chorus is the fun part we remember and sing again and again. The verse makes the music move forward like a little journey, and the chorus feels like coming home.

This back-and-forth makes the song easy to learn and fun to sing together!

Music Theory

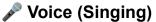
This song is in **C Major**—that means we only use the white keys on the piano. Super easy!

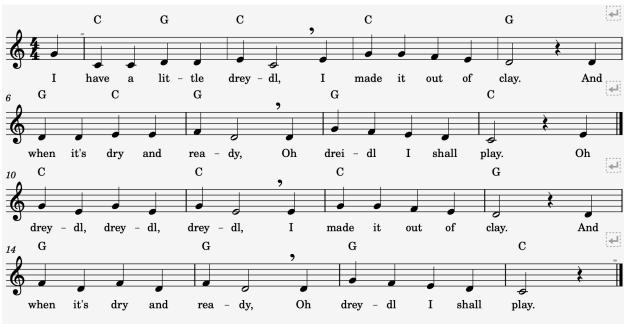
We use **two chords** in the song:

- C chord is our home chord. It feels calm and happy—like we're sitting on the couch at home.
- G chord is like a visitor—it makes the music feel like it wants to go back home to the C chord.

The song starts with a **pick-up note**. That's like a little jump or hop before the music really begins—just like taking a step before you start running! Because of that, the **last measure is missing one beat**, to make room for the pick-up note at the start. When we play the whole song, everything adds up perfectly!

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Verse 1:

Chorus:

drevdl,

drevdl.

play!

I have a little dreydl, I made it out of clay, And when it's dry and ready,

Oh dreydl I shall play!

Oh, dreydl, dreydl,

I made it out of clay.

Oh, dreydl, dreydl,

Now dreydl I shall

Verse 2:

It has a lovely body, With legs so short and thin.

And when it gets all tired,

It drops and then I win!

Chorus:

Oh, dreydl, dreydl, dreydl, I made it out of clay. Oh, dreydl, dreydl, dreydl,

Now dreydl I shall play!

Verse 3:

My dreydl's always playful,

It loves to dance and spin.

A happy game of dreydl,

Come play, now let's begin!

Chorus:

Oh, dreydl, dreydl, dreydl, I made it out of clay. Oh, dreydl, dreydl, dreydl, Now dreydl I shall play!

Verse 4:

And while the dreydl's spinning, My family gathers near.
We laugh and share

some latkes, And sing with festive

cheer!

Chorus:

Oh, dreydl, dreydl, dreydl, I made it out of clay. Oh, dreydl, dreydl, dreydl, Now dreydl I shall play!

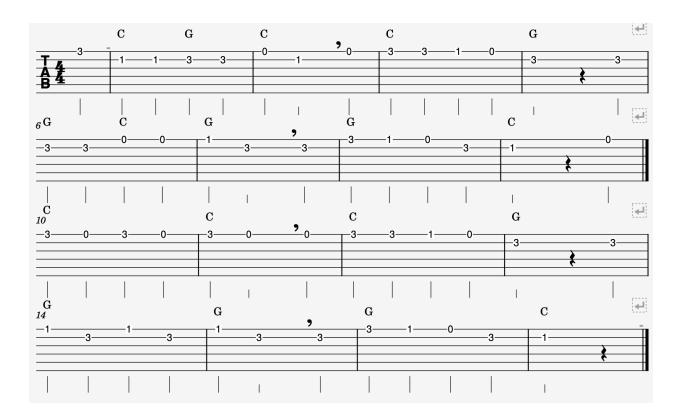
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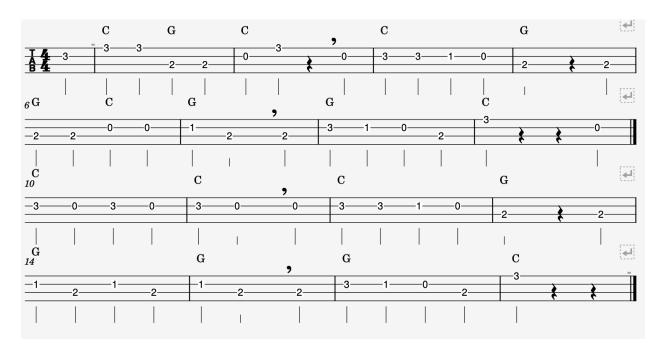
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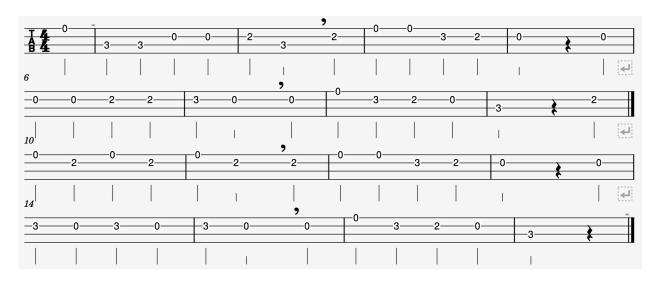
♂ Ukulele



≪ Cello



∅ Bass Guitar



🥁 Drum Kit (or Any Percussion)

