



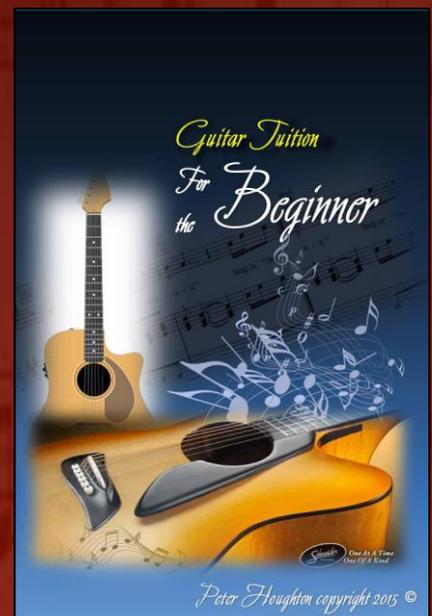
Tutoring Experience:

Whilst I was a child back in the mid 70's I took an interest in my uncle's guitar which leant against the lounge wall begging for it to be played. Like a budding pop star, I picked it up and started to 'play' on it, as you do unsuccessfully; of course, not playing very well! Never the less the interest and determination was there!

Anyway, that's as far as the guitar interest stood for a while (for about 20 years) until I started to attend a church. I then took a renewed interest in the music scene again (inspiration and influences coming from Status Quo, Eagles, Genesis and The Shadows etc.) I bought a cheap guitar and with much frustration, effort, determination and also patience I learned a handful of chords to play a few easy songs. I joined the music group a few months later, within the church group I was attending as I needed practical experience. I then taught myself (Spanish, lead and electric acoustic) and before long, was one of the main principal guitarists.

In 1997, I then began tuition to a few individuals (adults and children) in the church, teaching them the essentials and rudiments of successful guitar playing; from basic to intermediate lessons. Moving around a few times has further expanded my knowledge and experience teaching others, not just individually but also in workshops. I always believed that if a person showed an interest in any particular area, that it should be encouraged and nurtured- (if it's within your means to do so.)

I know all too well about the excitement that a new instrument brings, the pitfalls, concentration, determination, effort and practice and also the need to understand the fundamentals of the guitar; as I have been there many years ago, and I am still embarking on the journey, now have acquired specialist qualifications such as: Diploma in guitar music theory.



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