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Accompaniment Playing

Study 8 - Hooks

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(All Example Played in 2nd Position)

Section 1 – Bass Line Hooks

Ex. 1.1 – Slow Blues 1 (Sample: “Blue Midnight” by Little Walter) A Harp

Chord progression: I7 IV7 V7

2 3' 3 5 5+ 4 1+ 2+ 3' 3'' 2 1 2'' 2' 4+ 3 3''

Ex. 1.2 – Slow Blues 2 (Sample: “I Found A New Love” by Magic Sam) A Harp

Chord progression: I7 IV7 V7

2 3 4 5 5 6+ 5 1+ 2+ 2 3' 3' 4+ 3' 1 2' 3'' 4+ 4+ 4 4+

Ex. 1.3 – Slow Blues 3 (Sample: “Driving Wheel” by Junior Parker) A Harp

Chord progression: I7 IV7 V7

2 2 3 4 5+ 5 5 5+ 4 1+ 1+ 2+ 2 3'' 3' 3' 3'' 2 1 1 2' 3'' 3 4+ 4+ 3 3''

Ex. 1.4 – Slow Blues 4 (Sample: “Just to Be With You” by Muddy Waters) A Harp

Chord progression: I7 IV7 V7

3 4 5 5+ 4 2 2+ 3+ 3' 3'' 2 1+ 2' 3'' 4+ 3 3'' 1

Ex. 1.5 – Slow Blues 4 (Sample: “Deep Down in Florida [#2]” by Muddy Waters or “Just A Dream” by Kim Willson) A Harp

Chord progression: I IV V

2 3 4 5+ 6+ 5+ 4 5+ 1+ 2+ 3+ 3'' 4+ 3'' 2 3'' 1 2' 3'' 3

Ex. 1.6 – “Born in Chicago” style Bass Line Jam: Funky Blues in G

Chord progression: I7 IV7 V7

1 2'' 2' 2 2 2 3' 3 4+ 4+ 3'' 4+ 4' 4 4

Ex. 1.7 – “Boogie” style Bass Line A Harp

I7

2'' 2 2 2 2 2 2 3' 4+ 3' 2'' 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2'' 1 1+ 1

Ex. 1.8 – “I’m Ready” style Bass Line A Harp

I7 IV7 V7

2 2'' 2 2 2'' 2 4+ 3' 4+ 4+ 3' 4+ 4 4+ 4 4 4+ 4

Ex. 1.9 – “I Just Want A Little Bit” style Bass Line A Harp

I7 IV7 V7

2 3 4 5 5 5+ 4 1+ 2+ 3+ 3' 3' 3'' 2 1 2' 3'' 4+ 4+ 3 3''

Ex. 1.10 – “Walkin’ Blues” style Bass Line A Harp

I7 IV7 V7

2 2 2 2 2'' 4+ 4+ 4+ 4+ 3' 4 4 4 4 4+

Section 2 – Hooks

Ex. 2.1 – “Got My Mojo Working” style Hook: James Cotton Jam: Two Feel Blues in G

I7

2 2 2 2 2 2

Ex. 2.2 – “Got My Mojo Working” style Hook: Little Walter Jam: Two Feel Blues in G

I7 IV7

1 2'' 2 1 2'' 2 1 2'' 3' 1 2'' 3'

Ex. 2.3 – “Poor Boy” and “Rock Me Baby” style Hook: Version 1 Jam: Slow Blues in C

I7 IV7 V7

2 2'' 4+ 3' 4 4+

Ex. 2.4 – “Poor Boy” and “Rock Me Baby” style Hook: Version 2 Jam: Slow Blues in C

I7 IV7 V7

2 2'' 2 4+ 3' 4+ 4 4+ 4

Ex. 2.5 – “Poor Boy” and “Rock Me Baby” style Hook: Version 3 Jam: Slow Blues in C

I7 IV7 V7

2 2 2'' 2 4+ 4+ 3' 4+ 4 4 4+ 4

Ex. 2.6 – “Spoonful” style Hook (Howlin’ Wolf) A Harp

I7

3' 2 3' 2 3' 2 (2'' 2)

Ex. 2.7 – “Crosseyed Cat” style Hook (Muddy Waters) A Harp

I7 IV7 V7

3 4 5 5+ 4 4+ 3 4 2+ 2 3' 3'' 2 2'' 2 3'' 2' 3'' 4+ 3 3'' 2 3'' 3

Ex. 2.8 – “Trouble No More” style Hook (Muddy Waters) A Harp

I7

4 5 4' 3 2 2 2 2 4' 4+ 2

Ex. 2.9 – “Trouble No More” style Hook (Muddy Waters) A Harp

I7

3' 3' 3'' 2 3' 2 3' 2 3' 3' 3'' 2 3' 2 3' 4+

Ex. 2.10 – “Wish You Would” style Hook (Billy Boy Arnold) A Harp

1 2 2'' 2 1 2 2 2'' 2'' 2

Section 3 – Hooks & Fragmentation

Ex. 3.1 – “Help Me” or “Green Onions” style Bass Line: All Chords Jam: Shuffle in Gm

I⁷ IV⁷ V⁷

2 2 2 3' 4+ 1+ 1+ 1+ ? 2'' 1 1 1 2'' 2

Ex. 3.2 – I⁷ Focus Jam: Shuffle in Gm

I⁷

2 2 2 3' 4+

Ex. 3.3 – I⁷ Focus: Fragment #1 Jam: Shuffle in Gm

I⁷

2 2 3' 4+

Ex. 3.4 – I⁷ Focus: Fragment #2 Jam: Shuffle in Gm

I⁷

2 3' 4+

Ex. 3.5 – I⁷ Focus: Fragment #3 Jam: Shuffle in Gm

I⁷

3' 4+