

rolling stones - Gimme Shelter

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Gimme Shelter
 Rolling Stones
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Rhythm Guitar Intro

C#	B	A
4		
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- -----7---7---6-7-	-----5---5---4-5-	-----4-2---4-2---
-4-2-		-4-2---4-2--
- ---6---8-----6-8-	---4---6-----4-6-	---2-----2-----2-
-4-2-		-4-2---4-2--
- 6-----6-----	-4-----4-----	-2-----2-----
2-----		-----2-----
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C#	B	A
8		
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- -----7---7-7-7-7-	-----5---5-5-5-5-	-----4-2---4-2---
2-4-2-		-4-2-----4-
- ---6---8-8-8-8-8-	---4---6-6-6-6-6-	---2-4-2-2-4-2---
2-4-2-		-4-2---2-4-
- 6-----	-4-----	-2-----2-
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C#	B	A
12		
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- -----7---7-7-7-6-	-----5---5-5-5-4-	-----4-2---4-2---
2-4-2-		-4-2-----4-
- ---6---8-8-8-8-6-	---4---6-6-6-6-4-	---2-4-2-2-4-2---
2-4-2-		-4-2---2-4-
- 6-----	-4-----	-2-----2-
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C#	B	A
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16

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-|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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-|-6-7-7---9-7-6---|-4-5-5---7-5-4---|-----4-2---4-2---|-4-2-----2-
4-2-2-|
-|-6-8-8---8-8-6-6-|-4-6-6---6-6-4---|---2-4-2---4-2---|-4-2---2-2-
4-2-2-|
-|-----6-----|-----4-----4-|-2-----2-----2-|-----2-----
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C#

B

A

20

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-|-----7---9-7-6---|-----5---7-5-4---|-----4-2---4-2---|-4-2-----2-
4-4-2-|
-|---6---8-8-8-6---|---4---6-6-6-4---|---2-4-2---4-2---|-4-2---2-2-
4-4-2-|
-|-6-----6-|-4-----4-|-2-----2-----2-|-----2-----
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C#

B

A

E A E A E

B E B

24

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-|-----7---9-7-6---|-----5---7-5-4---|-----4-2---4-2---|-----
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-|---6---8-8-8-6---|---4---6-6-6-4---|---2-4-2---4-2---|-----
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-|-6-----6-|-4-----4-|-2-----2-----2-|-----
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9---9-|
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7-0-7-|

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Lead Guitar Intro

C#

B

A

A

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-9-9>|
-|-----|-----|-----|-----|
12----|
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----|
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      C#                B                A                A
-|>9-----9-----|-----|-----|-----
-9-9>|
-|-----12-9>|>9-----9b10|-----|---9-----
12----|
-|-----|-----|-----|11-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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      C#                B                A                A
-|>9-----|-----|---9-----9-----|-----
-9-9>|
-|-----9b10-|-9b10r9-----|12-----12-----9>|>9b10r9---
12-----|
-|-----|-----|-----|-----9--
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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      C#                B                A                A
-|>9-----9-----|-----|-----9-----|-----9-----
-----|
-|-----12-9>|b10r9-----|--12-----|--12--12-
9b10-9b10|
-|-----|-----|---9-----|---9-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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      C#                B                A                A
-|-----|-----|---9-----|-----
9--9>|
-|-9b10r9-----|-9-----9--12-|--12-----9---|-----9--12--
12---|
-|-----|--11-----9---|-----11-----|--11-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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      C#                B                A                A
-|>9-----|9-----|-----|---9-----
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-|-----9---12-|---12---9b10----|-9b10-----9---9-|12--12-----
-12-----|
-|-----11--9---|-----|-----11--11--|-----9--
11b13r11p9---|
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
-----11-|-11vvv
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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Verse 1

C# (sus)

Ooh a storm is threatening my very life today
 If I don't get some shelter, Oh yeah I'm gonna fade away

Chorus 1,2,4

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C#      B                A                E A E      A E      B E B
War, Children, It's just a shot away, It's just a shot away
C#      B                A                E A E      A E      B E B      C#
War, Children, It's just a shot away, It's just a shot away

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Verse 2

Ooh, see the fire sweepin, our very streets today
 Burn like a red coal carpet, Mad bull lost its way

Chorus 2

Solo

Chorus 3

(3 times)

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C#      B                A                E A E      A E      B E B
Rape, Murder, It's just a shot away, It's just a shot away

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Verse 3

Mmm, the flood is threatening, my very life today
 Gimme, Gimme Shelter, I'm gonna fade away

Chorus 4

Chorus 5

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C#      B                A                E A E      A E      B E B
Love, sister, It's just a kiss away, It's just a kiss away
It's just a kiss away, It's just a kiss away, kiss away, kiss away,
yeah

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Rhythm Guitar during verse

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      C#
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----6-----6-----|-6---7---7-6---6>|>6---6-----6-----|-----7-----
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-|-----6-----6-----|-6---6---6-6---6>|>6---6-----6-----|-9-6-6-6-----
-6-4-|
-|-----6-----6-----|-6---6---6-6---6>|>6---6-----6-----|-6-6-6-6-----
-6-4-|

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- |-----4-----4-----| -4---4---4-4---4> | >4---4-----4-----| -----
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C#

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- | -6---6-----6-----| -6---7-6-----6> | >6---6-----6-----| -----7-----
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- | -6---6-----6-----| -6---6-6-----6> | >6---6-----6-----| -9-6-6-6-----
-6-4-|
- | -6---6-----6-----| -6---6-6-----6> | >6---6-----6-----| -6-6-6-6-----
-6-4-|
- | -4---4-----4-----| -4---4-4-----4> | >4---4-----4-----| -----
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(3rd verse variation)

C#

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- | -----6-----6-----| -----7-6-----| -----6-----6-6---| -----7-6---
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- | -----6-----6-----| -9-6-8-6-----9-6-| >6---6-----6-6---| -9-6-8-6---
-9-6-|
- | -----6-----6-----| -6-6-6-6-----6-6-| >6---6-----6-6---| -6-6-6-6---
-6-6-|
- | -----4-----4-----| -----| -----| -----|
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- |-----| -----| -----| -----|
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Rhythm Guitar Chorus

C#

B

A

E A E A E

B E B

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- |-----| -----| -----| -----|
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- |-----| -----| -----| -----|
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- | -6---6-666-6---6-| -4---4-444-4---4-| -2---2-222-2---2-| -----
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- | -6---6-666-6---6-| -4---4-444-4---4-| -2---2-222-2---2-| -----
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- | -4---4-444-4---4-| -2---2-222-2---2-| -0---0-000-0---0-| ---7---7---
9---9-|
- |-----| -----| -----| -0-5-0-5-0-
7-0-7-|

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C#

B

A

E A E A E

B E B

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- |-----| -----| -----| -----|
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- | -6---6-667-6---6-| -----5-4-4-4-| -----3-2-2-2-| -----
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- | -6---6-666-6---6-| -4---4-444-4-4-4-| -2---2-222-2-2-2-| -----
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-|-6---6-666-6---6-|-4---4-444-4-4-4-|-2---2-222-2-2-2-|-----
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-|-4---4-444-4---4-|-2---2-222-2-2-2-|-0---0-000-0-0-0-|---7---7---
9---9-|
-|-----|-----|-----|0-5-0-5-0-
7-0-7-|

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Lead at end of Chorus 1

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C#
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----12b14b14b14|b14r12-----9-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----11-----11--|11b13r11----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----9-
11---|
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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Lead at end of Chorus 2

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C#
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|---12-----
-----|
-|-----|-----|-----9-11|b13--b13r11-
9-11-9----|
-|-----|-----9-----|---11--9-11----|-----
-----11>|
-|-----|-----9h11--11-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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C#
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|---12-----|-----12--12--|---12-----
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-|-----11>|b13--b13r11-9----|---11b13--b13--11|b13--9----
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-|>11-----|-----11-|-----|-----11-
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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C#          B          A          E  A
E  A
E  B E  B
-|-----|-----|---9-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----

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-|---11b13-9-----| -9-----9---9-|11b13-13r11-9-11-9-11-
|b13b13b13b13r11-9-----|
-|-----11-9-11| --11-9-11---11---|-----|-----
-----11-11>|
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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      C#                B                A                E A E A
E
B E B
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----9-----|-----|
11b13b13b13b13r11-9---|
-|>11vvvv-----| ---9-11---11>>>|>11vvvv-----|-----
-----11-|
-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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-|-----|-----|-----|-----
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      C#                B                A
E A
E A E B E B
-|-----|-----|-----
|-----|
-|-----|12b14b14b14b14b14r12-12---|-----
|-----|
-|-----11-9-|-----9-11-
|b13-----9-11b13|
-| -11vvvv-----|-----| -11vvv--9-11-----
|----11--9-11-----|
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Other leads are based on the C#m pentatonic scale (C# E F# G# B C#)

Most of the tabs include 8th note rhythms,
i.e. |-9-9---9-1-2-3-44-|
is 8th note, 4th note, 8th note, 8th, 8th, 8th, 16th, 16th

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Subject: CRD: Gimme Shelter - Rolling Stones

"Gimmie Shelter"
by the Rolling Stones

C# B C# B A C# B A C# B A C# B A ,(rock it)
 C# B A
 C#
 today OH the storm is threaten'in, out on the street
 if I don't get some shelter, oh I gonna fade away
 C# B A B
 shot away oh children , its just a shot away , its just a
 C# B A B
 shot away oh children , its just a shot away , its just a
 C#
 Oh the fires is a sweepin , out the street today
 Burns like a red coat dog, lets put the logs away
 C# B A B
 shot away oh children , its just a shot away , its just a
 C# B A B
 shot away oh children , its just a shot away , its just a
 C# B A B
 away oh sister, its just a kiss away , its just a kiss
 C# B A
 just a kiss away its just a kiss away its just a kiss away its

Main Chords:

C# B A (played as E-shape bar/power chords)
 or in notes:

D|-----11-----9-----7----

Intro(Rhythm Guitar):

e|-----
 B|-----
 G|----- ad
 lib...
 D|-----9-9-9-----7-7--7-----7---7---7---7----- then
 goto power
 A|-----11-----11-----9-----9----- chords.

E|-----9-----7-----5---5---5---5---5/9/-

Intro Riff I (Lead Guitar):

e|-----9-----
B|-----9^10^9-----9^10^9-----7-9--9--7h9p7-----
G|-----9----- (x3)
D|-----
A|-----
E|-----

End the third time with... -6-66-66--6--4-44-44---

Followed by Riff II. -----7-
77-77--4---

Riff II:

e|-----
B|---7h9p7-----
G|-----9--6-- (Played at the start of each line in the verse)
D|----- NB: h=hammer-on p=pull-off
A|-----
E|-----

The Chorus is a variation of Main Riff and Riff I but ends with something like:

e|---9--7-7-7-7-7-7-7-7-----7-----
B|-----10-10---10--9-10-9-7-9--7h9p7-----
G|-----9--6--
D|-----
A|-----
E|-----

Oh I see the storm is threatening, my very life today
If I dont get some shelter, Yeah I'm gonna fade away

War children, its just a kiss away, its just a kiss away
War children, its just a kiss away, its just a kiss away
Yeah...

Oh I see the fire is sweeping, out on the streets today
Burn me like a blood red carpet, the fool lost the way

Rape, Murder, its just a kiss away , its just a kiss away
Rape, Murder, its just a kiss away , its just a kiss away
Yeah...

Oh I see the storm is threatening, my very life today
Gimmie gimme shelter, yeah I'm gonna fade away

Love, sister, its just a shot away, it's just a shot away

Love, sister, its just a shot away, shot away, shot away
War children, its just a kiss away, its just a kiss away
War children, its just a kiss away, its just a kiss away
Rape, Murder, its just a kiss away , its just a kiss away
Rape, Murder, its just a kiss away , its just a kiss away

(Repeat to

fade...)

Peace,

Paul Z

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From: cscsj[at]lux.latrobe.edu.au (Junacko)

Subject: Rolling Stones - Gimme Shelter Tips

Yup. I'm around. Does anyone know of a good source for the tablature music for Gimme Shelter?

No, but here's a recipe -- I got this out of an interview with Keef in

Guitarist a couple of years back:

take one Fender Telecaster

tune to open E (E B E G# B E)

the intro and chorus use C#-B-A-E (9th, 7th, 5th, open)

the verse uses C# (9th fret) and F# (basically, move your fingers around the 11th and 12th frets)

Listen to it a few times and maybe you'll get a feel for it. But the

open tuning is essential.

--Rick.