

How to read tablature

You read tablature as you read a book, that is from left to right. The numbers tell you which fret (space) you should press down. 0 means to play without holding down a fret. If there is more than one number vertically then you should play them at the same time.



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E |-----0-----|
B |-0---1---3-----|
G |-----0-----|
D |-----|
A |-----|
E |-----|
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So the line at the bottom is the top string on the guitar when you're sitting down with it in your lap (the thickest string). Then the letters E A D G B E is the name of the strings in the most common way of tuning it.