



Tips to Playing by ear lesson.

There are steps into arranging a song by ear

1. Start on 1 chord (key you are playing). 98% of your songs will start and end on the 1 chord. For example if you are playing in the key of C, then the base note will begin on c along with the C major Chord or its substitution and end on the C major Chord.
2. Listen for the transition of the next chord
3. Match the right chord that fits the melody of the song.
4. Most songs resolves on the 5 chord to get back to the 1 chord.(example in the key of C the traditional 5 chord would be the G chord or F Chord.

How to listen to a song off CD.

- 1.Determine what base notes is being played throughout the song
2. Then try to identify the type of chord and voicing played on each base note.(major, minor, dominant, diminish, quartile, suspended, cluster, triton)
3. match the right chord with the base note.