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TRACK 45 ON THE CD

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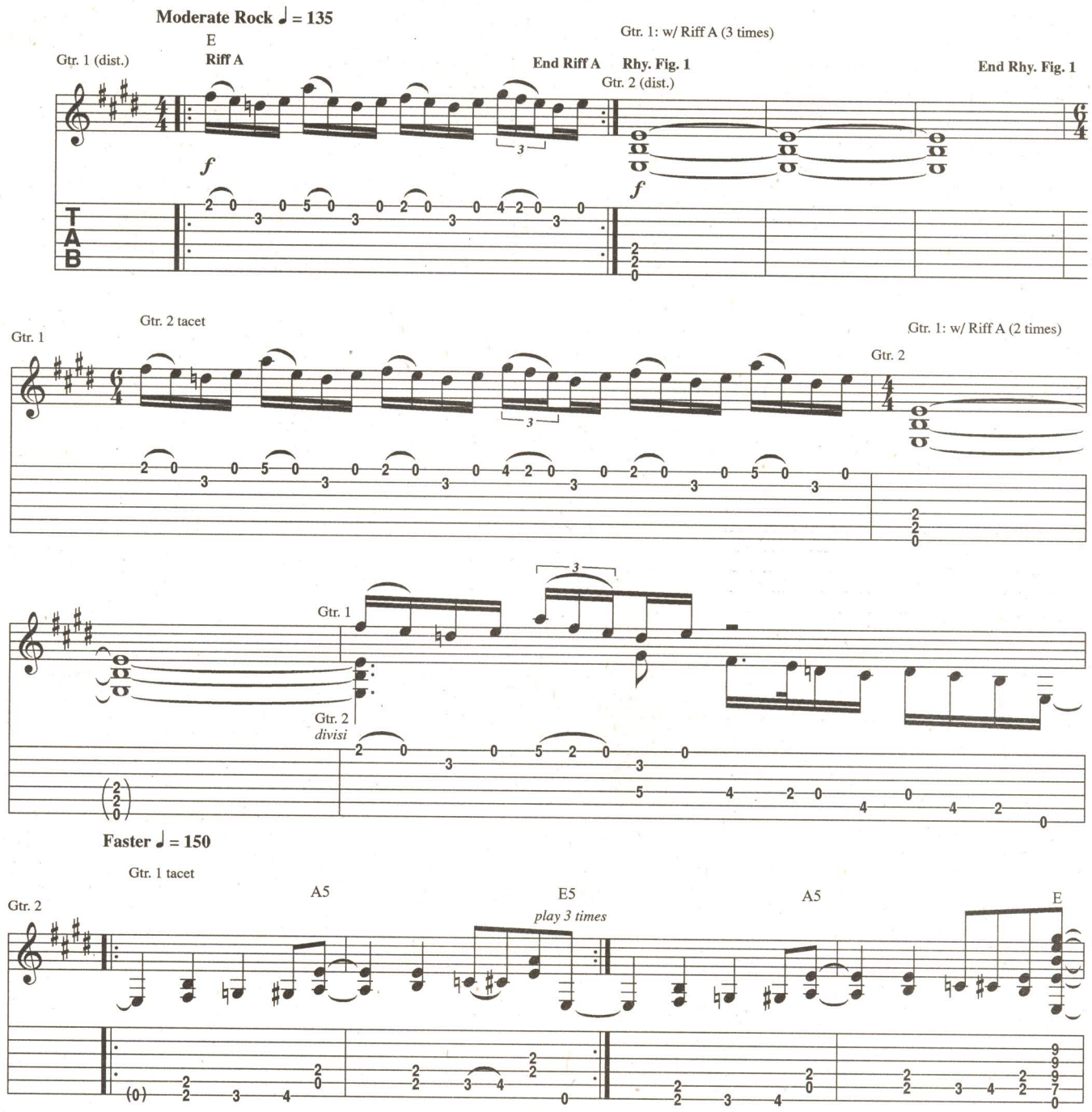

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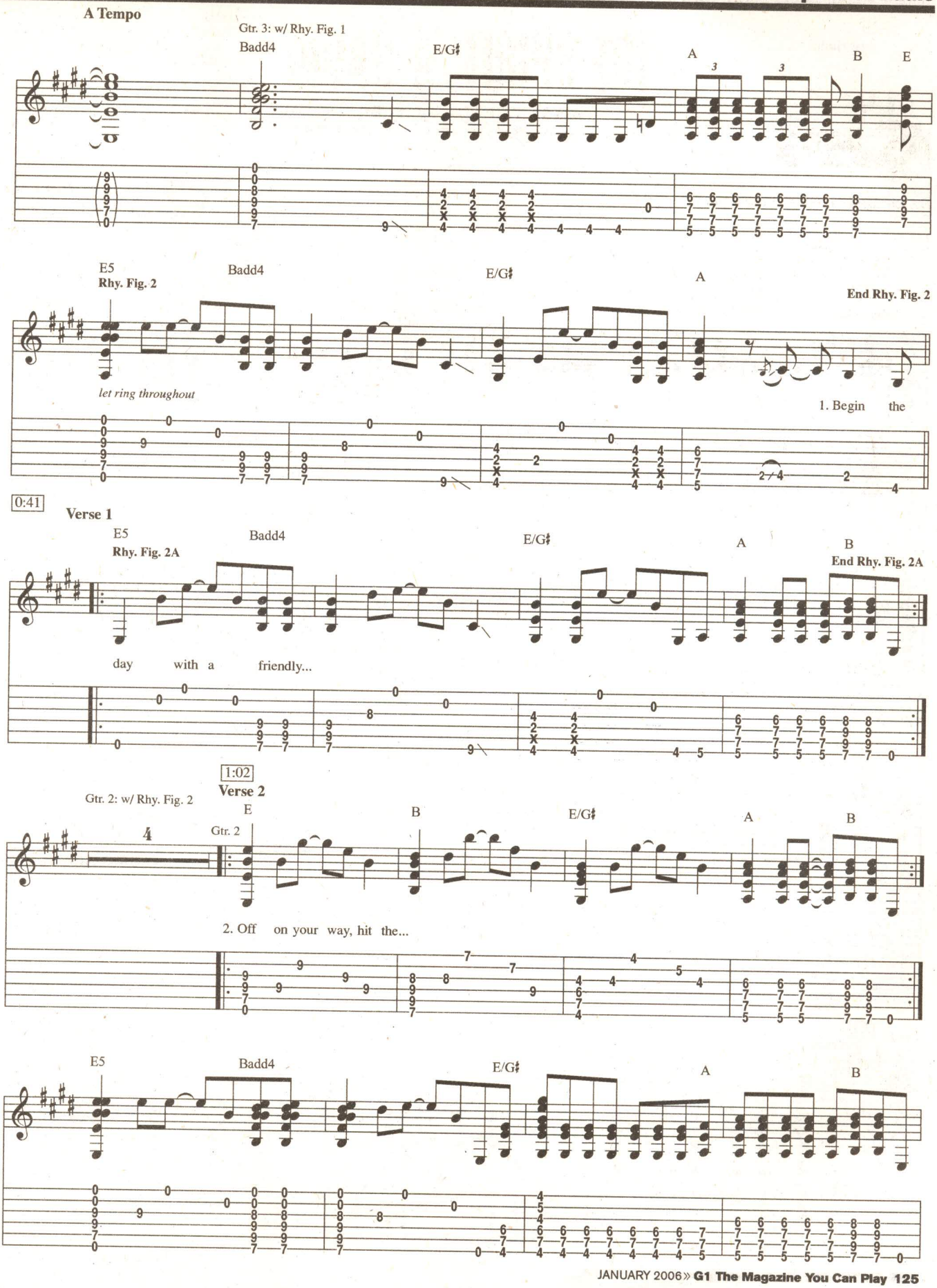
A Tempo
Gtr. 3: w/ Rhy. Fig. 1
Badd4
E/G♯
A
B
E
E5
Rhy. Fig. 2
Badd4
E/G♯
A
End Rhy. Fig. 2
let ring throughout
1. Begin the
0:41
Verse 1
E5
Rhy. Fig. 2A
Badd4
E/G♯
A
B
End Rhy. Fig. 2A
day with a friendly...
1:02
Verse 2
Gtr. 2: w/ Rhy. Fig. 2
Gtr. 2
E
B
E/G♯
A
B
2. Off on your way, hit the...
E5
Badd4
E/G♯
A
B

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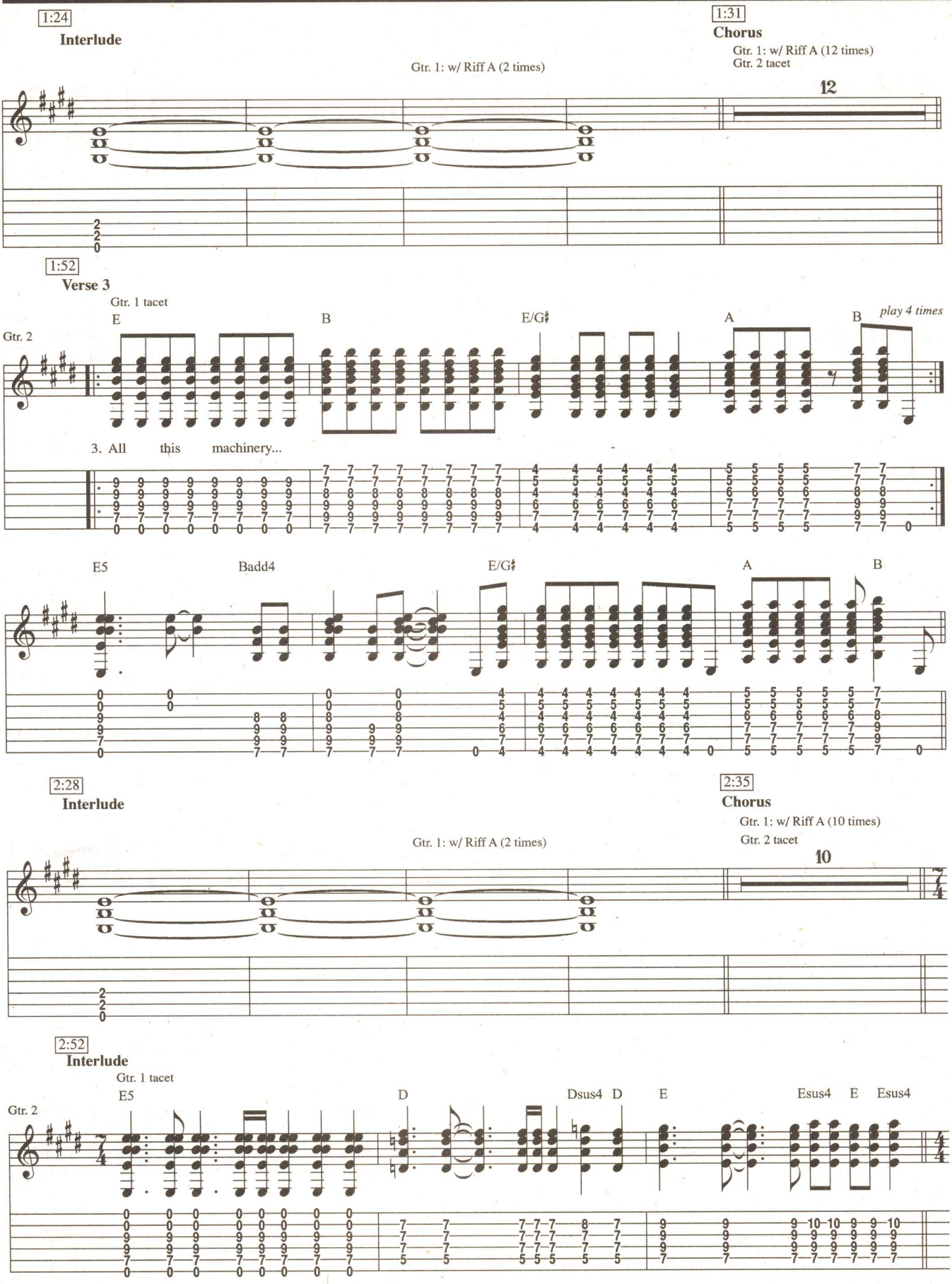

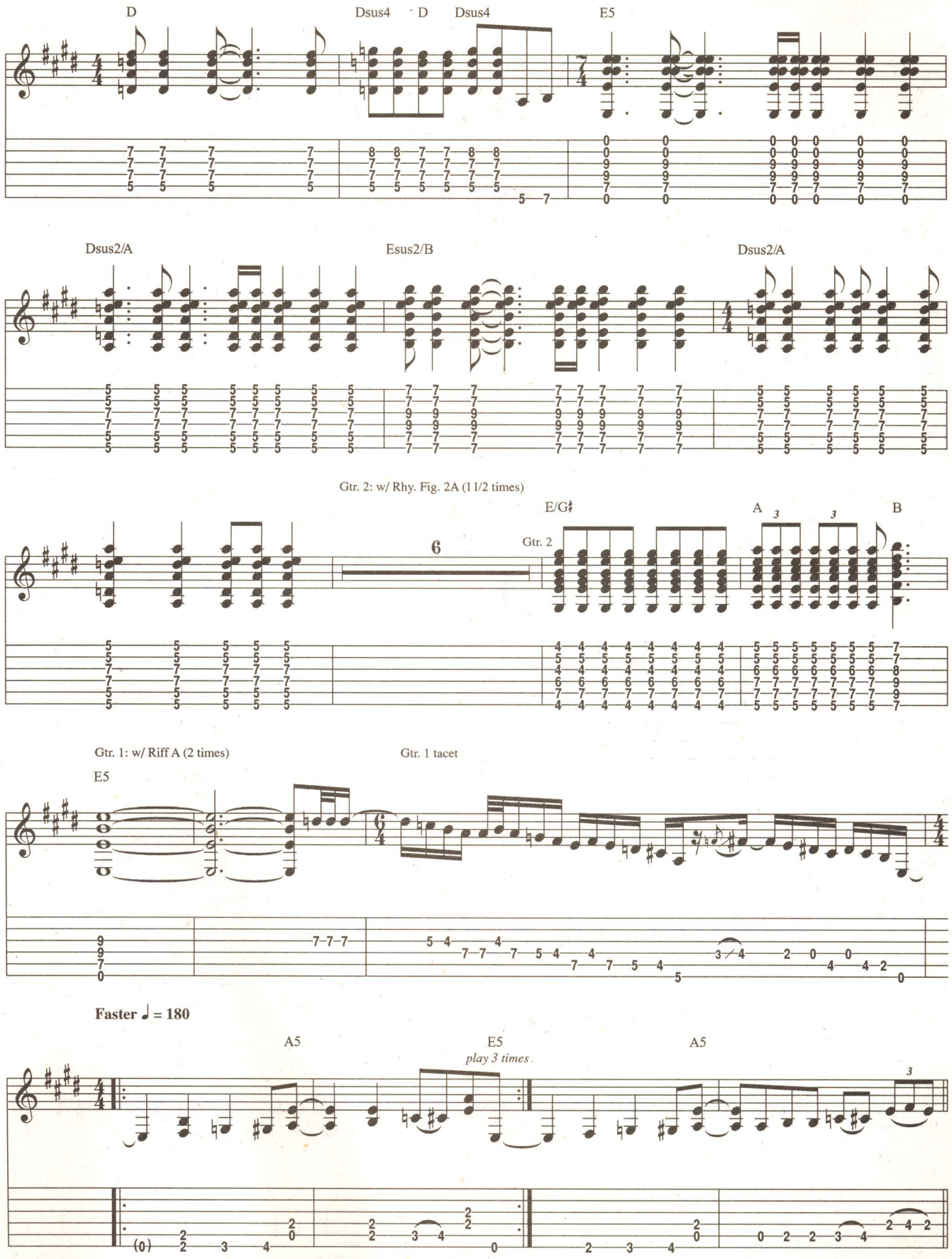
D
Dsus4
D
Dsus4
E5
Dsus2/A
Esus2/B
Dsus2/A
Gtr. 2: w/ Rhy. Fig. 2A (1 1/2 times)
6
E/G♯
Gtr. 2
A
B
Gtr. 1: w/ Riff A (2 times)
Gtr. 1 tacet
E5
Faster ♩ = 180
A5
E5
play 3 times
A5

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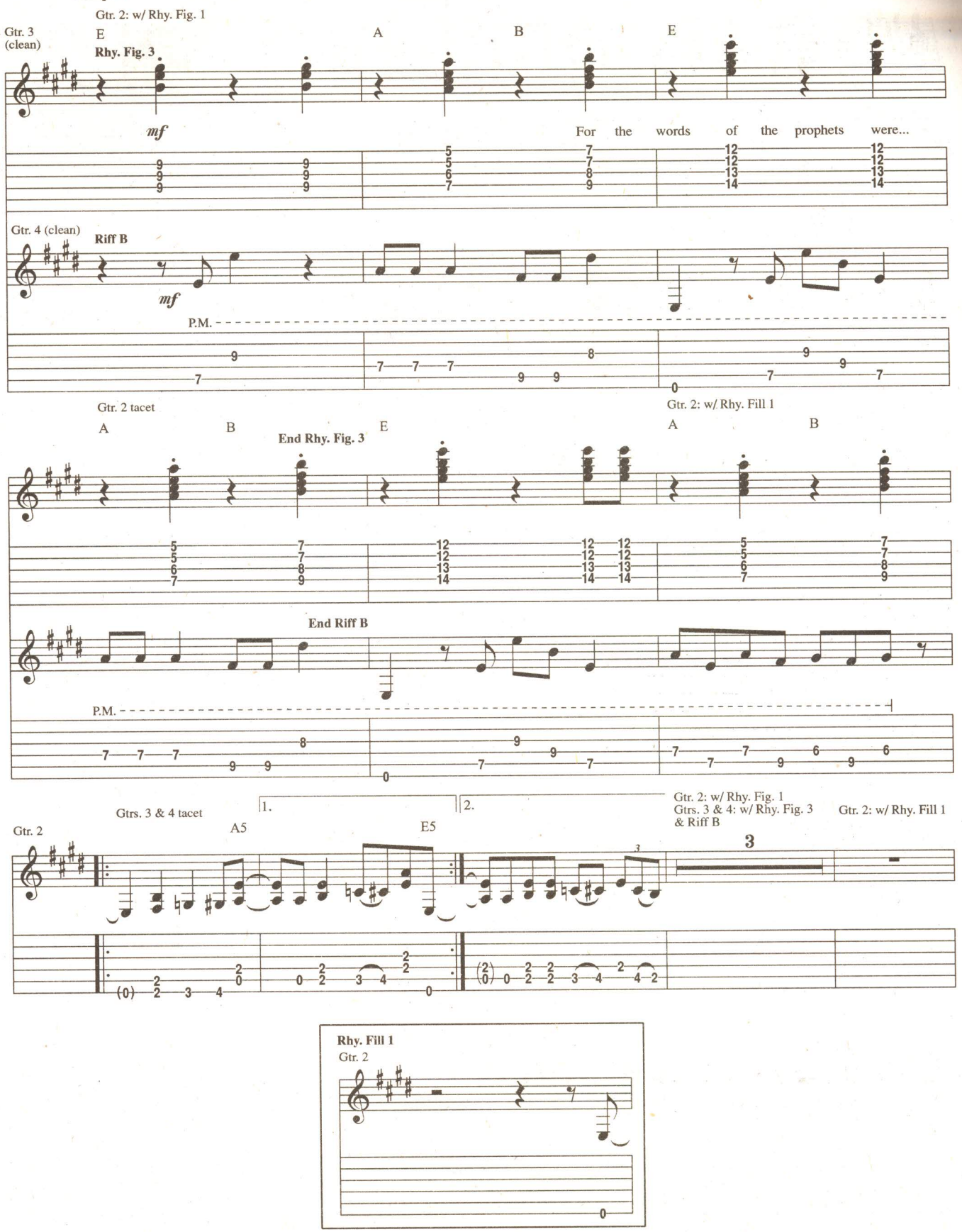

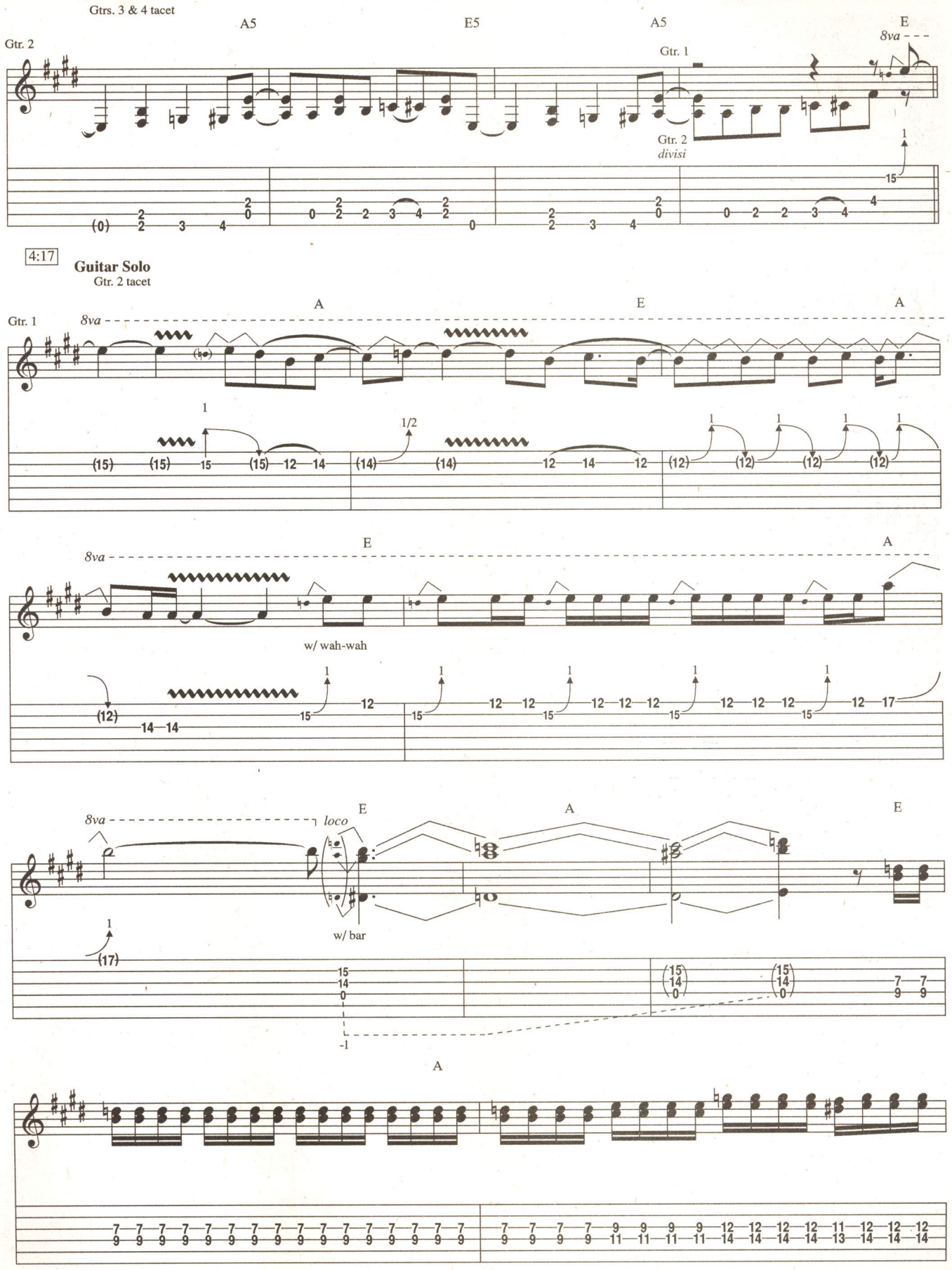
Gtrs. 3 & 4 tacet
A5
E5
A5
E
Gtr. 2
8va
Gtr. 1
Gtr. 2
divisi
4:17
Guitar Solo
Gtr. 2 tacet
A
E
A
Gtr. 1
8va
1/2
E
A
8va
w/ wah-wah
8va
loco
E
A
E
w/ bar
-1
A

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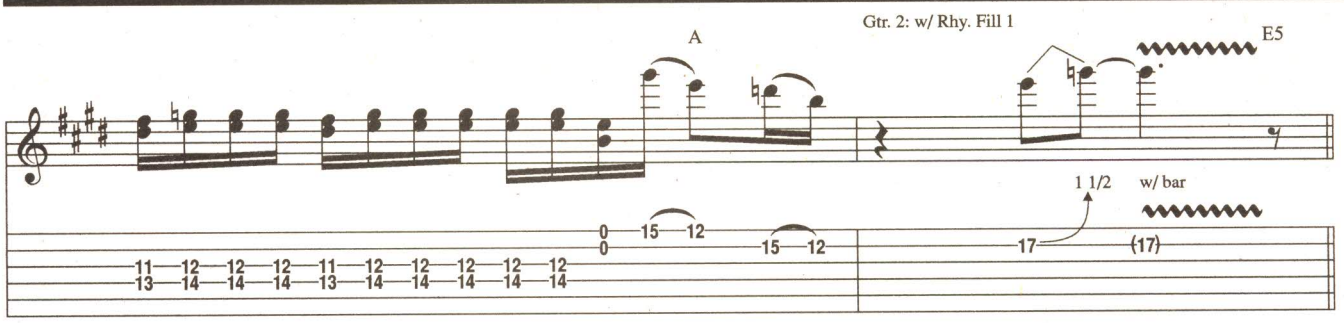

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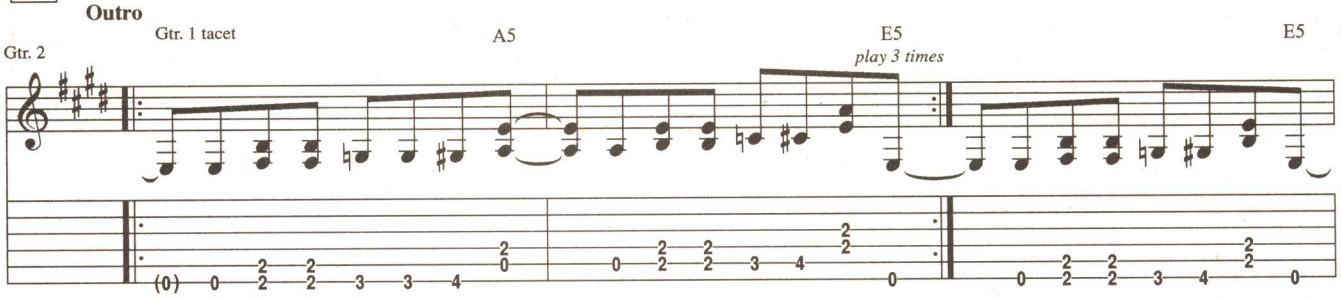
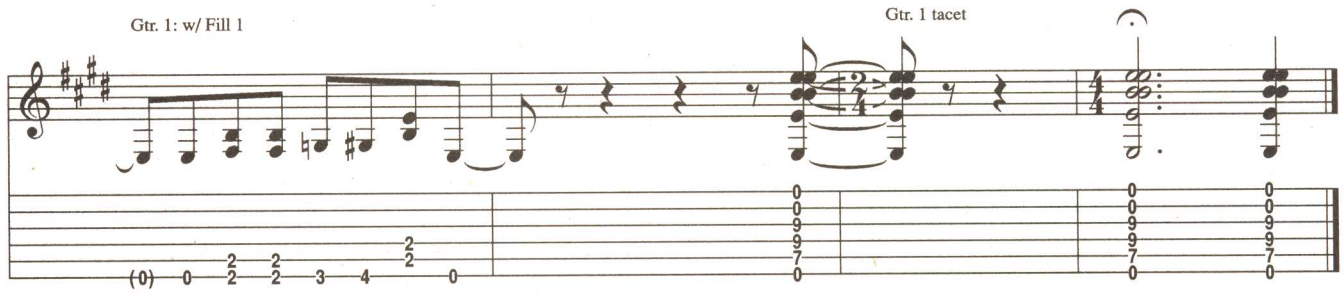
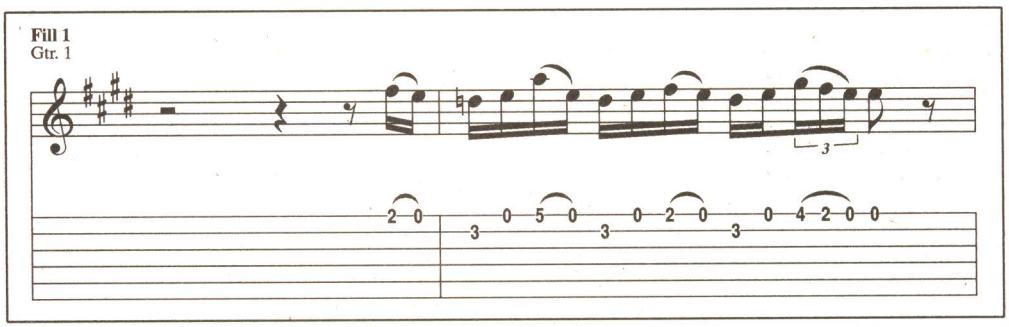
Outro







Lyrics

Verse 1
Begin the day with a friendly voice,
A companion unobtrusive.
Plays that song that's so elusive
And the magic music makes your morning mood.

Verse 2
Off on your way, hit the open road,
There is magic at your fingers.
For the spirit ever lingers,
Undemanding contact in your happy solitude.

Chorus
Invisible airwaves crackle with life,
Bright antennae bristle with the energy.
Emotional feedback on timeless wavelength.
Bearing a gift beyond price, almost free.

Verse 3
All this machinery making modern music
Can still be open-hearted.
Not so coldly charted,
It's really just a question of your honesty,
Yeah, your honesty.
One likes to believe in the freedom of music,
But glittering prizes and endless compromises
Shatter the illusion of integrity.

Bridge
For the words of the profits
Were written on the studio wall,
Concert hall,
And echoes with the sound of salesmen.