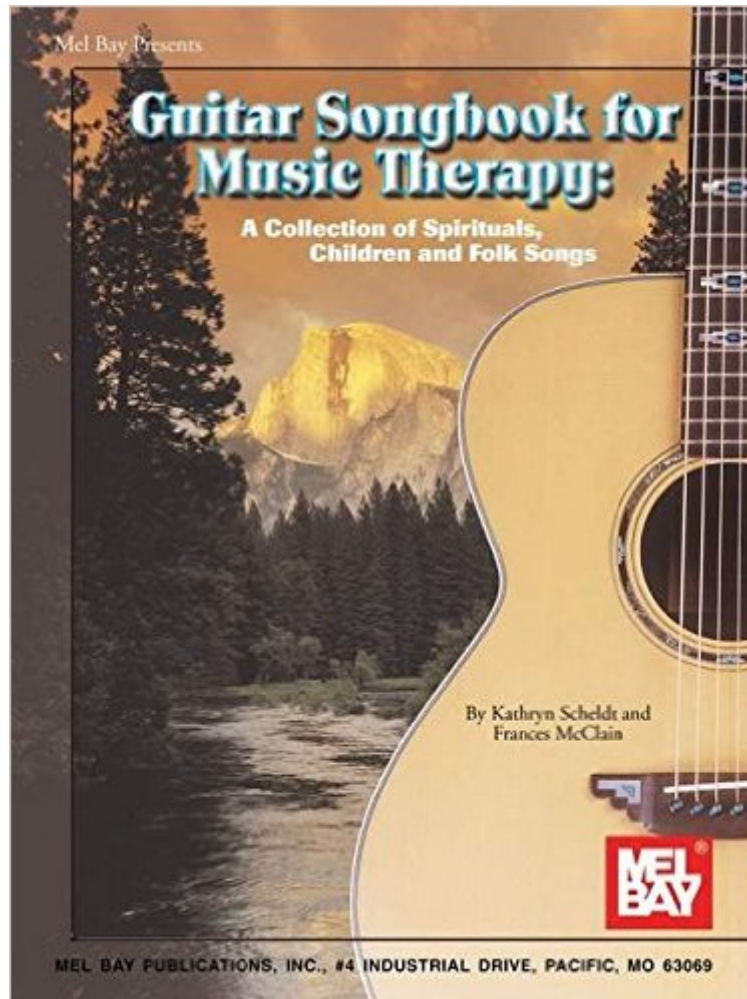


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Mel Bay Guitar Songbook For Music Therapy



Synopsis

A collection of tunes representing a diversity of ideas, experiences, and geographic locations, this songbook provides a resource for use in clinical, educational, recreational, and religious settings. Designed to allow even a beginning guitarist to lead singing, the songs are written in standard notation with rhythm chord symbols and diagrams. Lyrics are given for all of the songs, with creative adaptations included with some melodies. Sample guitar accompaniment patterns are given in notation and tablature.

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This is a good learning source for music therapy students in particular. The lessons are clear and the sequence of chords are well chosen to make it a good learning tool. There are excellent examples of therapeutic ways to use the songs such as lyric substitution ideas. Songs are organized to give beginning students ideas about what to consider when choosing a song for a therapeutic purpose. It would be improved by having more up to date repertoire and some different guitar strum rhythms, but on the whole, an excellent choice for music therapy students learning to play guitar and sing.

I purchased this book as required for an Intro to Music Therapy class. The book is good in several respects: It has a wide range of songs that are familiar to most every English-speaking beginning musician. The songs are progressively more advanced, going from two chords to a wider range of

chords. The guitar chord fingerings are included, allowing for easy mastery of these basic chords. There are a wide range of suggested strumming patterns, alternate texts/verses, and other variations to keep things fresh and fun. The book is set up in "fake-book" format, with the melody written out in treble staff, and only the chords provided for the accompaniment. I would have liked to see basic instruction on the piano in here as well. That would have been a very simple addition, and would have provided for more use. I use this book to work out my basic, but developing transposing skills. Play each song in all keys, transposing both melody and chords. It's a very useful exercise. Also, there are great songs in here you will not easily find in other books.

I purchased this book for my Guitar for Music Therapy class. I was thrilled to see how each song had activity suggestions and the possible therapeutic goals that can be achieved through the activity.

This is a great book for developing music therapy skills. I'm so glad I found it on for a fair price!

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