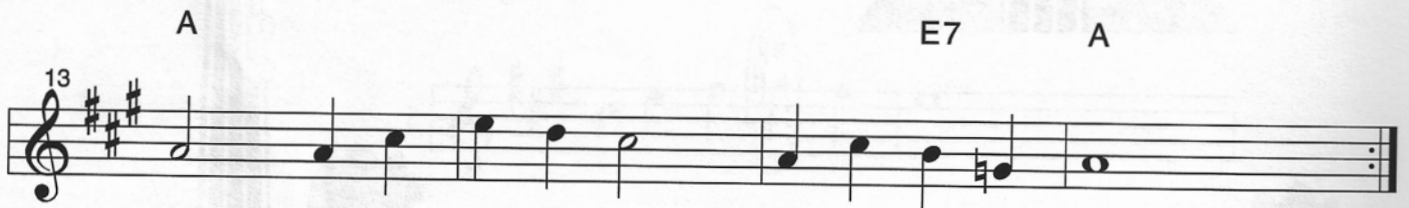
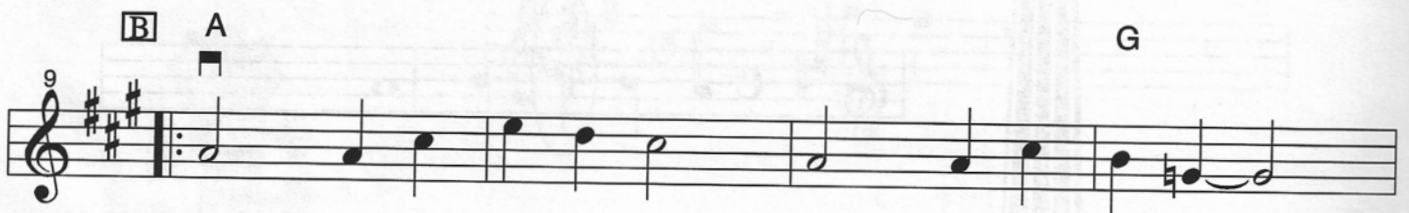
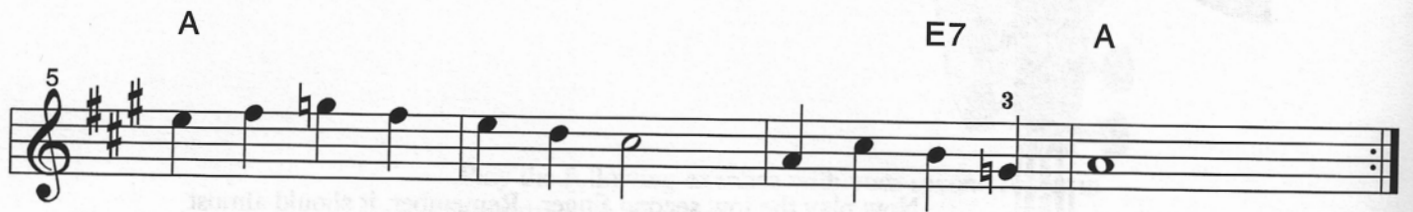
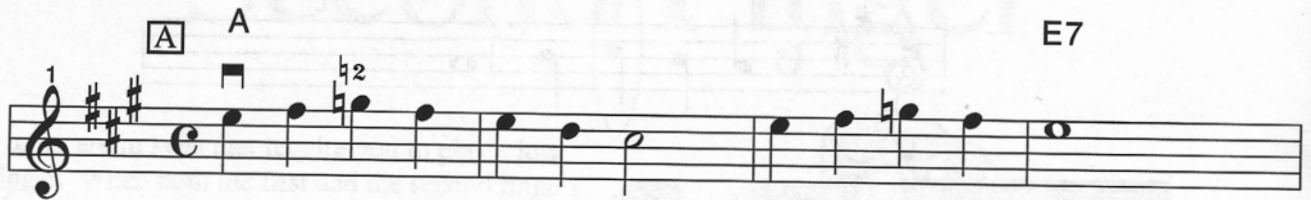


9 Old Joe Clark

This tune was written before 1840 and is thought to be about an African-American man from Kentucky.



(verses sung to A part, chorus sung to B)

1. I used to live on the mountain top
Now I live in town
I'm staying at the big hotel
A-courting Betsy Brown
2. Old Joe Clark, he had a house
Sixteen stories high
And every story in that house
Was filled with chicken pie
3. Old Joe had a chicken coop
Sixteen stories high
And every chicken in that coop
Turned into chicken pie
4. Old Joe Clark, he had a mule
His name was Morgan Brown
And every tooth in that mule's head
Was sixteen inches 'round
5. I went down to Old Joe's house
He invited me to supper
I stubbed my toe on the table leg
And stuck my nose in the butter
6. Old Joe Clark's a mean old man
I'll tell you the reason why
He blew his nose in my corn bread
And called it pumpkin pie

chorus

Fare thee well, Old Joe Clark
Fare thee well, I say
Fare thee well, Old Joe Clark
I'm a-going away