

12-bar Blues Form

(works for any key) **

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Key of Bb

||: : || = repeat form (everything in between)

% = repeat previous bar

Beat: consistent pulses in music--commonly 4 beats

Tempo: how fast or slow the pulse is (or, beats are); how slow or fast the tune or song is played

Bars: groupings of 4 beats—1 bar, typically, equals 4 beats

Form: the length or roadmap of a tune or song

Choruses: (in jazz and blues) this is the number of times you repeat the entire tune or song form.

||: Bb7 | % | Bb7 | % |
Eb7 | % | Bb7 | % |
F7 | Eb7 | Bb7 | F7: ||

Roman numerals (i.e. chord progression) **

||: I7 | % | I7 | % |
IV7 | % | I7 | % |
V7 | IV7 | I7 | V7: ||