



UKULELE CLUB - TOP TIPS

TOP TIP 1: Get yourself a folder to keep your PDF sheets organised in. You may be referring to previous PDFs throughout the term so please make sure you have all of your worksheets & song sheets to hand for all online sessions. If using a tablet, try and organise them into a folder so they are all easily accessible.



TOP TIP 2: Practice at home with a metronome as often as you can. You can download free metronome apps straight to your phone so no excuses! A good one is **Pro Metronome** by **EUM Lab**. Your Music Leader will run through the basics of working with a metronome during week one and some of the video tutorials will have a metronome embedded into them. Playing to time is a key if you aim to play with other people and can really help you with other areas of co-ordination.



TOP TIP 3: Most people find that 10 - 20 minute bite-size practice sessions a few times per day will work wonders to will help you develop your musicianship more effectively. It is a good idea to work individually on specific elements of practice to make sure you cover all areas effectively and always have your ukulele close at hand. Out of sight, out of mind, so keep it out of the case in an easy to reach place when you are at home. Ukulele stands are available at UCL HQ.



TOP TIP 4: Once you feel like you are getting to grips with each song, try practicing them without the song sheets. You'll be amazed at how well your muscle memory works and you can enjoy performing much more when you are not fully dependent on song sheets.



TOP TIP 5: It is a good idea to have a tuner to hand during sessions, gigs and general practice sessions with suitable ukulele case for transporting your ukulele about to avoid damage. I would recommend that you also carry a spare set of ukulele strings, a capo and a strap if you need support when holding your ukulele. They should all fit nicely in your ukulele case. Also, get a few spare batteries for your tuner just in case they run out at that essential moment.

Visit our UCL Resources page for external links to some fantastic ukulele learning resources at:
<http://www.ukuleleclub.org.uk/ucresources.html>