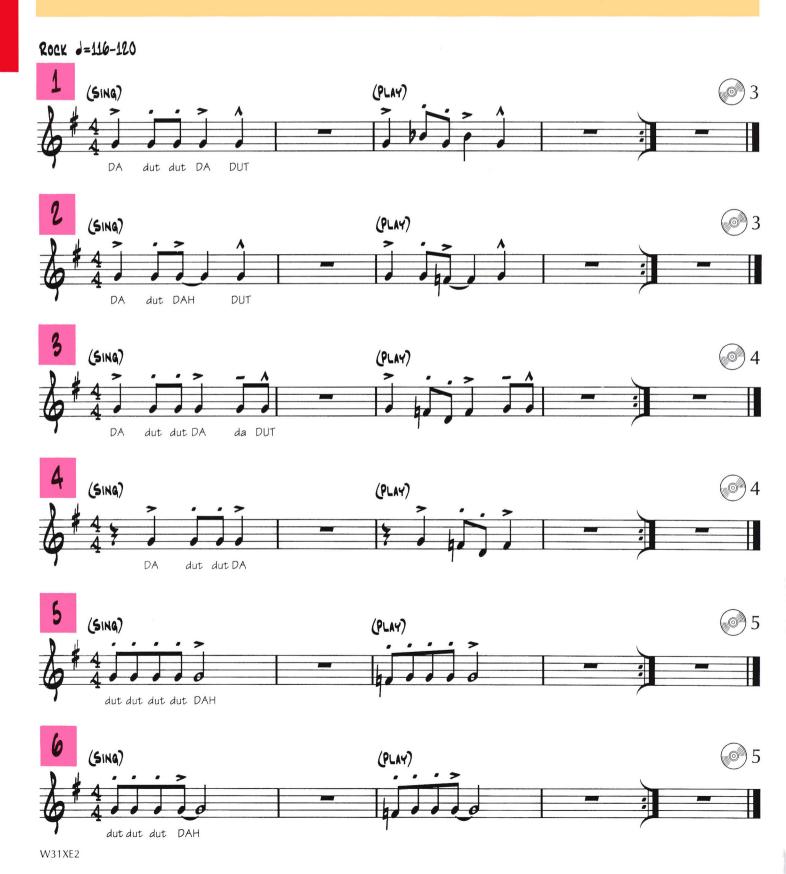
## RHYTHM STUDIES - JAMMIN' WITH CHARLIE

# ROCK PLAYING GUIDELINES

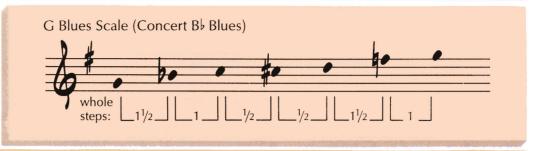
- ◆ Follow the marked articulation on each note. Play notes marked ➤ long and accented, and notes marked ★ short and accented.
- ◆ Separate non-slurred eighth notes.

When practicing RHYTHM STUDIES with the CD, listen the first time, then sing and play the second time.



### IMPROVISATION STUDIES - JAMMIN' WITH CHARLIE

#### **BLUES SCALE**



JAMMIN' WITH CHARLIE is based on the 12-bar blues, the most common musical form in jazz. The blues scale is a good starting point when improvising over tunes based on the blues.

The series of chords that accompanies a melody is called a **chord progression**. The basic **blues chord progression** (or simply **blues progression**) is a series of three chords played over 12 bars. Any note of the blues scale can be played over any chord of the blues progression in the same key as the scale.

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- ▶ The chords of the blues progression appear over the music in the form of **chord symbols**, a shorthand form of chord notation.
- As you play, listen to how each note of the blues scale sounds with the blues progression played by the rhythm section. Are certain notes of the scale more "bluesy" than others?

When practicing IMPROVISATION STUDIES B and C with the CD, listen and play both times.



► These licks (melodic patterns) are derived from the G blues (Concert Bb blues) scale.