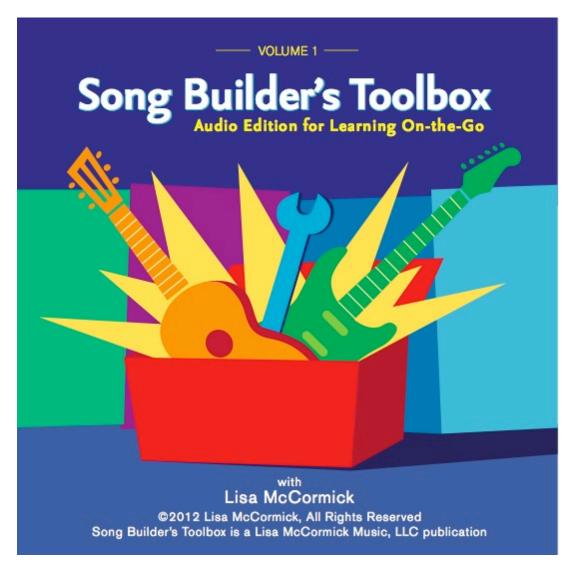
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Welcome!

Welcome to the Song Builder's Toolbox! I am very excited to share this collection of lessons, insider tips and techniques for writing your own original songs.

How to Use This Program

The *Song Builder's Toolbox* is a Modular Audio-Learning Program. Each section (or module) is packed with information about an important aspect of songwriting. Most sections end with recommended listening-and-analyzing activities, and/or hands-on homework assignments.

I recommend you listen to each section at least twice, if not more. If the section offers "Listening Homework", you may move right into that assignment while you still have your headphones on. If the section offers "Hands-on Homework", please try to do this homework the same day you listen to the module, even if that means doing it later when you get home. The ideas and inspirations will be most fresh in your mind if you do the homework as soon after listening to the module as possible.

The Hands-on Homework is vitally important for this reason: these assignments have been carefully designed to help you build your own Song Builder's Toolbox which will contain *everything you need to write your own songs*. Skip any of these assignments, and it's like leaving the hammer or the tape measure off the list when you design your workbench.

So now, get ready to listen, learn, and discover the songwriter inside of you. Welcome to the world of songwriting! Wishing you all the best, Lisa