

Tony Iommi Style Riffs and Licks: Study on *N.I.B.*

Fig. 1 (main riff)

Chords: E⁵ D⁵ E⁵ G⁵ F^{#5} E⁵ D⁵ E⁵ G E⁵ D⁵ E⁵ G⁵ F^{#5} E⁵ D⁵ E⁵ G

Tablature (T, A, B strings):

	9 9 7 9	12 11	9 9 7 9	12 12	9 9 7 9	12 11	9 9 7 9	7 5 7 5
	7 7 5 7	10 9	7 7 5 7	12 12	7 7 5 7	10 9	7 7 5 7	7 5 7 5

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Tablature (T, A, B strings):

	9 9 7 9	12 11	9 9 7 9	12 12	9 9 7 9	12 11	9 9 7 9	7 5 7 5
	7 7 5 7	10 9	7 7 5 7	12 12	7 7 5 7	10 9	7 7 5 7	7 5 7 5

Chords: E⁵ D⁵ C⁵ B⁵ full B⁵ full

Tablature (T, A, B strings):

	2 0 2 2 0	2 2	2 0 2 2 0	2 2	2 0 2 2 0	2 0 2	12/14	12/14
	2	2	2	2	2	2	12/14	12/14

Fig. 2 (Licks from solo)

Lick 1

Chords: E⁵ D⁵ C⁵ B⁵ full B⁵ full B⁵ full

Tablature (T, A, B strings):

	5 4 5 4 2	5 4 5 4 2	4 5	2 4 4 4 7 7	7/9 9	9 9	9	7 9 7
	5	5	4	2	2	4	4	7

Lick 2

Chords: E⁵ full D⁵ full D⁵ full

Tablature (T, A, B strings):

	3 0 0 0	3 5	3 5 3	5	10 10 8	10 8 10	10 8 10	8
	3	3	5	3	10	10	8	10

Tony Iommi Style - N.I.B. (cont'd)

Musical notation for the first system. The top staff is a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bottom staff is a guitar TAB staff with fret numbers. The first measure contains notes 10, 10, 8, 10, 8, 10, 10. Above the first two notes is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". Above the last two notes is another slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". The second measure contains notes 10, 8, 10, 8, 9. Above the last note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "gliss.".

Lick 3

Musical notation for Lick 3. The top staff is a treble clef staff with a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is a guitar TAB staff with fret numbers. The first measure contains notes 5, 4, 5, 4, 2, 4, 5/7, 4. Above the first four notes is a slur with a "3" above it. The second measure contains notes 4, 4, 4/7, 7/9, 9. The third measure contains notes 9, 12, 12, 12, 14, 14. Above the last note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". The fourth measure contains notes 14, 12, 12, 15, 15. Above the first note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". Above the last note is another slur with an upward arrow and the word "full".

Lick 4

Musical notation for Lick 4. The top staff is a treble clef staff with a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is a guitar TAB staff with fret numbers. The first measure contains notes 12, 15, 12, 12, 15, 12, 12, 15, 12, 12, 15. Above the last note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". The second measure contains notes 15, 12, 15, 12, 15, 12, 12, 15, 12, 12, 15. Above the last note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". The third measure contains notes 15, 12, 15, 12, 15, 12, 12, 15, 12, 12, 15. Above the last note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full".

Lick 5

Musical notation for Lick 5. The top staff is a treble clef staff with a 4/4 time signature. The bottom staff is a guitar TAB staff with fret numbers. The first measure contains notes 15, 12, 15, 12, 14, 12, 15, 14. Above the first note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". Above the last note is another slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". The second measure contains notes 14, 14, 12, 14, 12, 14, 14, 12. Above the first note is a slur with an upward arrow and the word "full". Above the last note is another slur with an upward arrow and the word "full".

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