

# Lean On Me

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Key: C

Tempo: 75 BPM

Chords needed: C, F, Em, G

Video Tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yqim4HQzajM>

Strum Pattern: This would be a strum pattern I created for the tune, it isn't necessary but if you wanted to strum the later verses this will work perfectly, feel free to mix the licks and strumming as well.

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &
C	F	C	Em G
D	D U D U	U D	D U D U U D D D U D D U

  

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &
C	F	C	G C
D	D U D U	U D	D U D U U D D U D D U D

Intro Riff - This is essentially the timing for the entire song, but it really sounds best strummed after the first verse.

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &
C	F	C	Em G
A 3-----	-----3-	-----2-	2-----2-----
E 0-----0-1-	-----1-0--0-	-----0-	0-----3-----
C 0-----0-2--0-	-----2-0-	-----0-2--	4-----2-----
G 0-----2-	-----0-	-----0-	0-----0-----

1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &	1 & 2 & 3 & 4 &
C	F	C	G C
A 3-----	-----3-	-----2-	-----3-----
E 0-----0-1-	-----1-0--0-	-----0-3-	-----0-----
C 0-----0-2--0-	-----2-0-	-----0-2--2-	-----0-----
G 0-----2-	-----0-	-----0-	-----0-----

[Verse]

**C** **F**  
Sometimes in our lives  
**C**  
we all have pain  
**Em G**  
We all have sorrow  
**C F**  
But if we are wise  
**C G C**  
We know that there's always tomorrow

[Chorus]

**C F**  
Lean on me, when you're not strong  
**C**  
And I'll be your friend  
**Em G**  
I'll help you carry on  
**C F**  
For it won't be long  
**C**  
'Til I'm gonna need  
**G C**  
Somebody to lean on

[Verse]

**C F**  
Please swallow your pride  
**C**  
If I have things  
**Em G**  
you need to borrow  
**C F**  
For no one can fill  
**C**  
those of your needs  
**G C**  
That you don't let show

[Chorus]

[Verse]

**C F**  
If there is a load



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**C**  
you have to bear  
**Em G**  
That you can't car-ry  
**C F**  
I'm right up the road  
**C**  
I'll share your load  
**G C**  
If you just call me

[Bridge - This is played acapella in the song but you could strum with these chords if desired]

**C G C**  
So just call on me brother, when you need a hand  
**C G C**  
We all need somebody to lean on  
**C G C**  
I just might have a problem that you'd understand

**C G C**  
We all need somebody to lean on

[Chorus]



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The title 'Ten Thumbs' is written in a large, stylized font. The word 'en' is in a white, cursive script and is positioned inside a large, light orange circle that resembles a guitar pick. The word 'Thumbs' is in a grey, sans-serif font. A thin orange line follows the bottom edge of the pick and extends to the right, ending in a small rectangular shape.