

# What is a Key - and how does that work?

A key is a series of 7 tones arranged in alpha-numerical order. Together these tones make up a major scale, or KEY.

Different types of numbers or words are used to describe the notes in a key.

Using the key of C as a model:

Letters	C	D	E	F	G	A	B	C
Degrees	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1
Chords	I	ii	iii	IV	V	vi	vii	I
Solfegge	Do	Re	Mi	Fa	So	La	Ti	Do
Terms	Tonic	Supertonic	Mediant	Subdominant	Dominan	Submediant	Subtonic	Tonic