## PREVIEW

# MOOSIKO BEGINING UKULELE CURRICULUM

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Sarah has been teaching group guitar and Ukulele classes for high school students since 2007. Over the years, she has worked with both formally and informally trained guitarists to inform her teaching. This book is a collection of lessons and strategies that Sarah has developed over her years of working with adolescents classes.

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Motivated by the ever-changing trends in education, Danielle continues to write, present, and create. She has presented at the state level on numerous occasions. Through published resources and works, such as her book "Middle School General Music: A Guide to Navigating the Unknown" (F-flat Books), Danielle hopes to inspire other secondary music teachers through her own experiences. She frequently works with pre-service teachers and serves as a mentor.



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#### ABOUT MOOSIKO

Moosiko is an online, adaptive guitar and ukulele learning platform for K12 classes designed to assist teachers and boost engagement for students. Students can pick from a diverse set of over 300 fun, modern song lessons that are culturally relevant to a wide variety of student populations and backgrounds. Skill tracking, practice time metrics, and video recordings capture individual student progress in data-rich ways that makes assessment easier and faster for teachers. *moosiko.com* 

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### PART ONE INTRODUCTION



**CLICK on this symbol** to access additional resources such as intro/setup materials, rubric/assessment resources, and lesson plans for all 9 units. These resources can act as a template to get you started. You only have view access to this Google Folder, please make a copy so you can customize for your class.