

# Shortnin' Bread

Denver Guitar Orchestra: Book 2  
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Melody

♩ = 120

Three lit-tle chil - un' ly - in' in bed. Two was sick and the oth - er most dead.

Guitar

TAB

TuffAxe

TAB

M

Sent for the doc - tor, doc-tor he said, "Feed them chil - un' on short - nin' bread.

Gtr.

Tuff

M

Ma-ma's lit - tle ba - by loves short - nin' short - nin', ma-ma's lit - tle ba - by loves short - nin' bread.

Gtr.

Tuff

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The musical score is for the song "Shortnin' Bread". It consists of three systems of music. The first system shows the vocal melody (M) and guitar accompaniment (Gtr.) for measures 13-16. The guitar part includes fretboard diagrams for G, D7, and G chords. The second system shows the tuba accompaniment (Tuff) for measures 13-16, with a complex rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes. The third system shows the lyrics for measures 13-16, with chord symbols [G] and [D7] indicating where to change chords.

Chord diagrams:  
 G: 213 (open strings: 2, 1, 3)  
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 D7: x0232 (open strings: x, 0, 2, 3, 2)  
 G: 213 (open strings: 2, 1, 3)

Measures: 13, 14, 15, 16

Melody (M):  
 Ma-ma's lit - tle ba - by loves short - nin' short - nin', ma-ma's lit - tle ba - by loves short - nin' bread.

Guitar (Gtr.):  
 0 0 3 3 0 0 3 0 3 3 0 0 3 3 0 0 2 0

Tuba (Tuff):  
 0 0 3 3 0 0 3 0 3 3 0 0 3 3 0 0 2 2 0

[G] Put on the skillet, slip on the lid,  
 Mama's gonna make us some [D7] short'nin' [G] bread.  
 And that ain't all our mama's gonna do,  
 She's gonna make us some [D7] coffee [G] too.

[G] When those children sick in the bed  
 heard that talk about [D7] short'nin' [G] bread,  
 they popped up well and danced and sang  
 skippin' 'round cut the [D7] pigeon [G] wing.

[G] I sneaked in the kitchen and picked up the lid,  
 and filled my pockets full of [D7] short'nin' [G] bread.  
 I stole the skillet and I stole the lid.  
 I stole that gal makin' [D7] short'nin' [G] bread.

[G] They caught me with the skillet and  
 they caught me with the lid and they  
 caught me with my gal makin' [D7] short'nin' [G] bread.  
 Six for the skillet and six for the lid  
 Six months in jail eatin' [D7] short'nin' [G] bread.