SCALE DEGREES

Scale degrees are the number of each step of the scale. The first note of the scale is the tonic or root and is number one. The second note of the scale is number two. The third note is three, fourth note four, etc. This is important because most songs are based on the first, fourth, and fifth tones of the scale or the one (I), four (IV), and five (V).

C D E F G A B C 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

G A B C D E F#G 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8