

LICK OF THE WEEK

Eddie Taylor *Peavine Blues*

Eddie Taylor, one of the great blues artists of his generation (born in 1923), never got the recognition that he so richly deserved. He is a musician well worth listening to for any blues guitarist, beginning novice or advanced pro.

The lick for today is from a performance of “Peavine Blues.” from the 1970’s. It begins in pattern IV of the A minor pentatonic scale, on the open bottom strings and works its way up to pattern I, at the 5th fret. It occurred to me that most of the licks presented here are played on the top strings, so I thought you might like something different. It’s played over a I (A7) chord, and can be played anywhere you find a 2-bar stretch of a that chord. You can also play the first bar of the lick, down at the nut for a 1-bar occurrence.

The lick begins at around 1:16 in the video.

Enjoy.
JG