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Glossary of Terms from *Les Paul: Guitar Wizard* by Bob Jacobson (Sorted Alphabetically)

- **Accompanied** - Played along with someone else on a musical instrument.
- **Accomplish** - Do or complete something successfully.
- **Acoustic** - An instrument that doesn't use electricity to change the sound or make it louder.
- **Act** - A group that performs together.
- **Adjust** - Move or change something slightly to improve performance.
- **After - Hours** - Late at night after a business or club has closed to the public.
- **Air Time** - Time given to a performance during a radio broadcast.
- **Amplifier** - An electronic device used to make the sound of an instrument or voice louder.
- **Amplify** - To make an instrument or voice louder.
- **Analog** - Something recorded using moving parts instead of computers.
- **Antenna** - A piece of metal or wire used to send or receive radio signals.
- **Appeared** - Performed on television, radio or live.
- **Approved** - Had an opinion that was put into action.
- **Armed Forces** - The entire military including all branches of service.
- **Audition** - A test a musician or actor takes to get a place in a band or in a play.

- **Back-up Band** - Musicians that play music together behind a single performer.
- **Bass** - A tall stringed instrument that plays very low notes.
- **Belt** - A circular band of rubber used to transfer motion or power from one part of a machine to the other.
- **Big Band** - A large group of musicians where people play together most of the time but with solos mixed in at different parts of the song.
- **Blood Vessel** - A tube in the body that allows blood to flow.
- **Bluffing** - Lying by pretending to be very confident.
- **Bridge** - The thin piece of wood or plastic that holds a guitar's strings above the body of the instrument.
- **Broadcasting** - Sending out a radio or television program to an audience.

- **Carry** - The ability of sound to be heard over a distance.
- **Catalog** - A magazine listing things you can buy from a company through the mail.
- **Charts** - The list of popular songs that shows which is most popular during a given time.
- **Chord** - Two or more musical notes or pitches played at the same time.
- **Column** - An article by the same writer that appears regularly in a newspaper.
- **Comedian** - A person that is a professional joke teller.
- **Conduct** - Allow something to pass through such as electricity through a wire.
- **Converts** - Changing from electrical impulse or the vibration of a string on the guitar to sound.

- **Corny** - Silly or goofy.
- **Cram** - Squeeze things together into a tight space.
- **Crank Up** - Making something run by winding or turning a crank like a phonograph or music box.
- **Developed** - Making something that solves another problem.
- **Device** - A piece of equipment that does a specific job.
- **Devised** - Thought of in a new way to do or create something.
- **Director** - The person in charge. Person that makes the decisions.
- **Discharged** - Released from Military Service.
- **Disk** - A flat circular object.
- **Divorced** - No longer married by law.
- **Documentary** - A movie or television program that tells the story of real people and events.
- **Drafted** - Called to serve in the military.
- **Drive-In** - A restaurant where customers are served food in his/her car.
- **Duo** - A band or musical group with two members.
- **Edit** - Change or revise to make something better.
- **Electric Shock** - A sudden and violent jolt of electricity caused by touching live electrical wires.
- **Electronics** - Appliances and equipment such as microwave ovens, computers, televisions and keyboards that work by means of electricity.
- **Engineer** - Someone who is specially trained to operate and maintain television or radio equipment in a studio.
- **Entertainer** - A person that performs in public for an audience.
- **Featuring** - Including a special participant or performer.
- **Fill-In** - perform or work in place of someone else temporarily.
- **Flurry** - A fast burst of activity.
- **Flywheel** - A heavy wheel that turns at a steady speed to make a machine or engine run smoothly.
- **For Show** - Something done for decoration or to enhance something for the audience.
- **Forming** - Putting together something like a group of people to perform a band on musical ensemble.
- **Fret board** - The part of the guitar where the player presses down on the strings to make the different notes and forming chords.
- **Full-Time** - All of the time. No longer a fill-in but a regular performer.
- **Gambling** - Betting money on the outcome of a race, game or contest.
- **Gig** - A job for a musician. A performance.
- **Go Along With** - Agree with someone else and do what he/she does.
- **Good Run** - A successful series of events or performances.

- **Graduating** - Finishing a level in school and receiving a diploma.
- **Great Depression** - A time in the 1930's when many people lost his/her job. Banks and businesses closed.
- **Gypsy** - A term sometimes used for one of the Romany people who often travel around instead of living in one place.
- **Hard Times** - A lack of performances or gigs. A lack of popularity.
- **Harmonica** - A small musical instrument that you play by blowing out and breathing in through the mouthpiece to produce the different notes.
- **Harmony** - The sounding of two or more notes together.
- **Head** - The part of the tape recorder that records music onto the tape.
- **Hillbilly** - A type of country music from the South often played on fiddles, banjos and guitars.
- **Hit** - A song that becomes popular.
- **Hit the Road** - Start out on a trip.
- **Imitate** - Copy or mimic.
- **Independently** - On it own.
- **Instrumental** - A song that is just instruments with no singing.
- **Internal** - Inside the body.
- **Jam Session** - An informal gathering of musicians playing more for fun than an audience. Usually an unplanned gathering.
- **Justice of the Peace** - A person that hears court cases but can also perform marriages.
- **Klunker (Clunker)** - A broken down object or machine.
- **Laboratory** - A room that has special equipment for use in scientific experiments.
- **Landed** - Gained or gotten such as a musical gig.
- **Legend** - A person that is famous or well known for something that he/she has done.
- **Legendary** - A person that is famous for a long time.
- **Line** - A set of products such as clothing or furniture designed by one person or company but with a range of styles, prices or quality.
- **Live** - A broadcast on radio or television that is not recorded earlier.
- **Loyal** - Firm in supporting someone or something.
- **Manufacture** - Make something in order to sell to people.
- **Mechanic** - A person that repairs engines or machines.
- **Melody** - The arrangement of notes that makes a tune.
- **Misled** - Lied to or taking something in an incorrect direction.
- **Model** - A particular type or design of a product.

- **Multi-track Recording** - A recording method where many different parts of a song are recorded in layers at different times rather than all performed at the same time.
- **Nationally Broadcast** - Played on radio or television nationwide.
- **Natural** - A person that has an ability or talent that comes easily.
- **Nightclub** - A place where people perform for an audience that is smaller than a theater and open late in the night.
- **On the Air** - Broadcast on the radio or television.
- **On Tour** - Travelling from place to place for performances.
- **Opening Act** - The performer or act that performs before a more famous performer or act.
- **Overtaking** - Catching up and passing.
- **Passion** - A great interest in an activity or subject.
- **Perfect** - Something that is done or produced as good as possible.
- **Persuaded** - Convinced someone of something through a discussion.
- **Pickup** - A device used to pick up the vibrations from a stringed instrument and changes them into an electrical impulse for amplification.
- **Phonograph** - An old-fashioned record player that used a crank for power rather than electricity.
- **Pitch** - The highness or lowness of a musical note.
- **Player Piano** - A piano that plays by itself reading holes in a roll of paper that indicates the notes to be played.
- **Pneumonia** - A serious illness that causes the lungs to become inflamed and filled with a thick fluid that makes it hard to breathe.
- **Portable** - Able to be carried or moved easily.
- **Produce** - To put together performers or acts to create a show.
- **Professional** - Making money for doing something that others do for fun such as performing music.
- **Professional Recording** - A disc, recording or record that is sold for money.
- **Professional Grade** - Something is of a high quality and used by professionals.
- **Programming** - A set of broadcasts or performances.
- **Radio Musician** - Someone who performs live on the radio.
- **Ravine** - A narrow valley with steep sides.
- **Record Label** - A company that records and sells music.
- **Record Machine** - A device or machine used to cut or record a record.
- **Recording Contract** - A legal agreement between a record company and performer.
- **Recording Studio** - A place or room where performers use special equipment to make records.
- **Recover** - To get better or get over an illness or injury.

- **Regular** - Someone who does something often such as performing regularly on a radio or television show.
 - **Rehearse** - Practice for a public performance.
 - **Released** - Made available to the public for the first time.
 - **Rely** - Depend on someone or something.
 - **Rhubarb** - A tall plant with reddish or greenish stems and leaves.
 - **Rigged** - Put together something in a casual way using whatever is available and making them work for the intended purpose.
 - **Rooming House** - A private house where the person that owns the house rents rooms to people.
 - **Run Its Course** - No longer useful or important after being useful or important for a long time.
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- **Satisfied** - Happy or content.
 - **Scalawags** - People that misbehave but in a funny way.
 - **Sealed the Deal** - Making the decision final. Coming to agreement.
 - **Separated** - To stop living together as husband and wife.
 - **Series** - A set of items that come one after the other.
 - **Silver Screen** - A term for movies.
 - **Single** - A recording of one song that is very popular.
 - **Sit In** - Join a musical ensemble for one night or even one song as a special opportunity.
 - **Slogan** - A popular phrase or motto sometimes used to promote something.
 - **Solo Act** - A performance by one person.
 - **Sound Engineer** - The person that controls the sound on a recording.
 - **Sound Quality** - The degree of excellence of the sound.
 - **Staff Musician** - The musician employed by a radio or television station that plays whatever music is needed.
 - **Stage Name** - A name used by a performer that is different than his/her real name for professional purposes.
 - **Style** - The way in which something is played musically.
 - **Supportive** - Helping or encouraging someone.
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- **Technique** - A way or ability of doing something that requires skill.
 - **Technological Breakthrough** - A discovery that solves a problem in the field of science or technology.
 - **Telegraph** - A device for sending messages a long distance over wire or radio using a code of electrical signals.
 - **Tip** - A helpful piece of advice.
 - **Tips** - Money given to a person as thanks for service.
 - **Title Song** - A song that has the same name as the record it is recorded.
 - **Tone Arm** - The arm of a phonograph that holds the needle that reads the record and transfers the information to the amplifier.
 - **Touring** - Travelling from one place to the next for a series of performances.

- **Transmitter** - A device for sending out radio waves.
- **Trap Door** - A hidden opening.
- **Trial and Error** - The process of trying or testing something and learning from mistakes.
- **Trio** - A musical ensemble with three members.

- **Under His Wing** - Guided or protected by someone.
- **Unique** - The only one of its kind. Something that is rare.

- **Venue** - The place where a performance is given.
- **Vibration** - Rapid movement by a string back and forth.