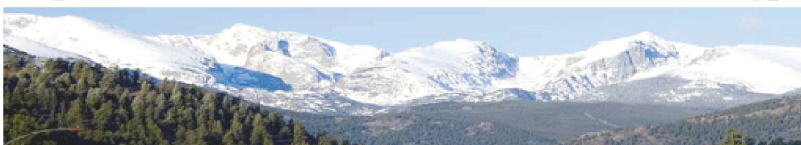


# The 10 JAM-mandments

*(with thanks to Carolyn Pope)*

- 1. TUNE YOUR INSTRUMENTS.** JAM means playing together--ON THE SAME PITCH!
- 2. LISTEN** to the others! If YOU can't HEAR the LEAD, play softly!
- 3. TAKE TURNS** choosing and leading the songs. Most jams follow a set pattern.
- 4. Announce the KEY plainly!** Be sure everyone heard the same thing.
- 5. PASS the breaks!** Each leader nods to pass the lead around.
- 6. NO SPEEDING!** This is a JAM--not a solo! Play slowly the first couple of times.
- 7. TRY NEW SONGS!** A Jam is one of the best places to find new material.
- 8. WELCOME OTHERS!** Remember--you were new once.
- 9. INCLUDE & ACKNOWLEDGE THE LISTENERS!** Say thank-you!
- 10. HAVE A GOOD TIME!** This is not supposed to be work.

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