Guitar Chord Progression Rubric

GOALS:
1. Classical position with correct technique
2. Use down strum only, with steady beat
3. Call chords names aloud while playing

Progression
5 Plays all chords with confidence, makes changes smoothly and in rhythm
4 Plays all chords, makes changes smoothly and in rhythm
3 Plays chords fairly well, changes need to be smoother
2 Missing some chords, changing slowly
1 Does not know chords well

Rhythm
5 All strums are even and smooth, with a constant steady beat
4 Most strums are even, the beat changes occasionally
3 A few pauses in the beat
2 Strums are uneven, several pauses
1 Beat is not steady, frequent pauses

Technique Checklist:
1 point per item
☐ Player is sitting up straight on edge of chair
☐ Left leg is elevated, right leg supports the guitar base
☐ Left hand is curved, thumb rests gently behind the neck
☐ Right forearm crosses upper edge of the guitar
☐ Guitar body is lowered, neck is high