

Fine (fee-nay) is another Italian term that simply means “the finish”. *Fine* is placed where you actually stop playing, after you have followed all the other previous repeat signs. *Fine* may be found anywhere within a song and will often be added to others signs, such as *D.C. al Fine*, which means “go back to the *beginning* and play to the finish”. Figure 5.

Figure 5. C Am G C

Fine

D.C. al Fine

Dal Segno is an Italian term which means “from the sign”. The letters D.S. are used when a song is repeated from someplace other than the beginning. The segno (♯) is placed at the bar where you are to go back and from there begin repeating. *D.S. al Fine* means “go back to the *sign* and play to the finish”. Figure 6

Figure 6. C Am Dm C

Fine

Fine

D.S. al Fine

There are many more repeat signs which we will explore in future lessons, but for now, have some fun repeating yourself...I’ll be listening, I’ll be listening, I’ll be...