Suzuki Violin Pre-Twinkle Packet



Name:

Learn the parts of the violin by singing this song. Go one step higher up the scale for each line.

This is the Scroll:

This is the scroll, these are the pegs, this is the fingerboard, these are the strings, this is the bridge, these are the f-holes, this is the tailpiece, these are the tuners.



Learn Your Twinkle Rhythms

Say, clap, and shadow bow:

Chicka chicka boom boom
Mickey Mouse
Down wiggle, up wiggle
Wish I had a million dollars
Little, little, little long

Rest Position Song:

Rest position, feet in line, scroll out front, that's mighty fine.
Check your bridge, 'cause it should be, peeking out at you and me.
Now we bow, stand straight to show, "Hello, toes" and "Goodbye, toes"!



Steps to Playing position

- 1. Feet together, then unzip (make a V). Left foot steps out.
- 2. Left hand on violin shoulder. Pull violin out with left hand (over left foot).
- 3. Turn bottom of violin in and upside down. Lift violin high.
- 4. Land on shoulder (no space between neck and shoulder) while looking straight ahead.
- 5. Land at neck and shoulder (no space). Turn head to toward violin. Drop heavy head on violin. Can you hold it with only your head for a count of 100? Don't raise your shoulder!

Make a Bunny Bow Hand

Do this with a pencil first.

Pretend the pencil is a carrot the bunny will eat.

Open up your hand and bend your thumb.

Take your middle and ring finger and place on the thumbnail. These are the bunny's teeth. These fingers hold the bow along with the thumb. The index finger and little finger are the bunny's ears. They are extra support for holding the bow. They should be relaxed and "floppy". They curve over the wood over the pencil. Bend the little finger on the top!









Practice bowing with this song

Melody: The Farmer in the Dell. Do with a bow or pencil.

The Noble Duke of York,
He had ten-thousand men,
He marched them **UP** the hill,
And marched them **DOWN** again.
And when you're **UP** you're **UP**And when you're **DOWN** you're **DOWN**And when you're in-between
You're neither **UP** nor **DOWN**.

Up Like a Rocket

Sing to Twinkle. Use a pencil or a bow.

Up like a rocket, down like the rain;
back and forth like a choo-choo train.

Round and round like the yellow sun; and on your head, curved pinky, bent thumb.

Up like a rocket, down like the rain; back and forth like a choo-choo train.

Wheels on the Bus

Sing. Use a bow or pencil.

The wheels on the bus go round and round...

People on the bus go up and down...

Wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish...

The doors on the bus go open and shut...

Where is One Mouse?

Sing to Where is Thumbkin? (or Are You Sleeping?) Start with hands behind back.

Where is one mouse?

Where is one mouse?

Here I am! (left hand to front)

Here I am! (right hand to front)

How are you today sir? (tap curved fingers to rhythm of song)

Very well, I thank you. (tap curved fingers to rhythm of song)

Run away! (left hand behind back)

Run away! (right hand behind back)

Where is two mouse?...

Where is three mouse?...

Where is four mouse?...

Where is thumbkin?...

V -V Violin

Sing to Where is Thumbkin? (or Are You Sleeping?) This is for your left hand, the violin hand.

V-V violin, (the shape between the thumb and pointer finger)

V-V violin,

See the space? (the space between those two fingers)

See the space?

Curve your little fingers,

Curve your little fingers,

Thumb is straight,

Thumb is straight.



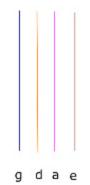


Learn the names of your strings.

Good Dogs Always Eat!

Sing and pluck the "GGG" song.

GGG, going up to DDD, going up to AAA, going up to EEE, going down to AAA, going down to DDD, going down to GGG.



Eek Eek Eek!: EEE AAA DDD GGG

Sing and pluck.

Eek, Eek, Eek, all the little

Ants, Ants, Ants, they are going

Down, Down, Down, way into the

Ground, Ground, Ground.

Using the Bow:

Shh!-Boom!

Go through the steps to playing position.

Make a perfect bow hand.

Land the middle of the bow silently on the E string.

When someone says "Boom!", quickly rock to the next string.

Open string part to Perpetual Motion:

EE(rock to A) AA(rock to E)

EE (rock to A) AA (lift, land on E behind bridge)

Squeak-squeak (stay) squeak-squeak(stay)

EE(rock to A) AA

Circle Bows (bow lifts)

At the end of the bow stroke, Lift and move counterclockwise. Land silently.

Lift and land silently after each note.

E'E'E'A' E'E'E'A'

Do in the middle of the bow. Open and close your arm from the elbow.

My Turn-Your Turn on E:

Teacher plays "chicka chicka boom boom", student echoes.

Duet part to **Twinkle Variation A**

Play "chicka chicka boom boom"

on open E. Play on every other group of Twinkle Variation A as an open string duet part (starting on the second group).

Bunny Song: EAEA

Bunny ears are pink pink (E string)

Bunny nose is pink pink (A String)

Bunny paws are pink pink (E string)

Bunny tail is pink pink (A String)

PINK! (left hand strums across the strings)



Strum strings from G to E with the left hand. The left elbow swings to the left like the pendulum on a grandfather clock.

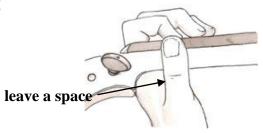
Land the Fingers:

Read this little poem by Carl Sandburg.

FOG-Carl Sandburg

THE fog comes on little cat feet.

It sits looking over harbor and city on silent haunches and then moves on.



Can you land each finger quietly on the string like little cat feet?

Rest the violin neck between the thumb and base joint of index finger. Leave a space big enough for a fly to whiz by.

Practice landing each finger (starting with 1) in both rest and playing position. Park the thumb opposite/just behind the first finger tape. After landing 1,2,3,4, practice taking the fingers one at a time.

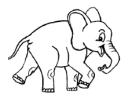
Elephants and Frogs



Elephants can walk walk.



Froggies love to hop hop.



Open E Elephants can walk walk.



Froggies love to hop hop.



Ants just never stop stop.

Learn the Musical Alphabet:

ABCDEFG

"3-2-1-BLAST OFF I" on E string

Do with all the Twinkle variations

Set fingers 1-2-3 before you start

- 3 (then dump)
- 2 (then dump)
- 1 (then dump)
- 0 (then bow blasts up into the air)

also do on the A string

When you combine 3-2-1-blast off on both strings, you get an A Major scale. Play the A scale up and down with all of the twinkle variations!

The A Major Scale:

Up- A: 0 1 2 3 E: 0 1 2 3

A B C# D E F# G# A

Down-E: 3 2 1 0 A: 3 2 1 0

A G# F# E D C# B A

Kangaroo Song



Kangaroos can hop hop,	(open E)
Baby, mom and pop pop,	(1 on E)
Hopping to the top top,	(2 on E)
Will they ever stop stop?	(3 on E)

Hop, Hop, Hop! (3 on E)
Hop, Hop, Hop! (2 on E)
Hop, Hop, Hop! (1 on E)
Hop, Hop, Hop! (open E)

HOP!!!

(strum open strings with left hand)

Twinkle Banana Split:





E: 01 0 A: 0 3210





E: 0 A: 3 2 1 3 2 1





E: 0 A: 3 2 1 3 2 1





E: __0 1 0 A: 0 3 2 1 0



Remember your Twinkle Rhythms?

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Mickey Mouse

Down wiggle, up wiggle

Wish I had a million dollars

Little, little long.