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Best Beginning Violin Book for Kids

Beginning to intermediate violin | Grades K-5 | Selected interior pages

From first violin notes to developing technique

This 77-page edition combines a complete beginning violin method with an expanded, more challenging section. Students start with open strings, bow grip, rhythm and familiar songs, then progress through all four strings, fourth-finger technique, new scales, changing finger patterns and bowing skills. A QR code on the opening page links to video instruction.

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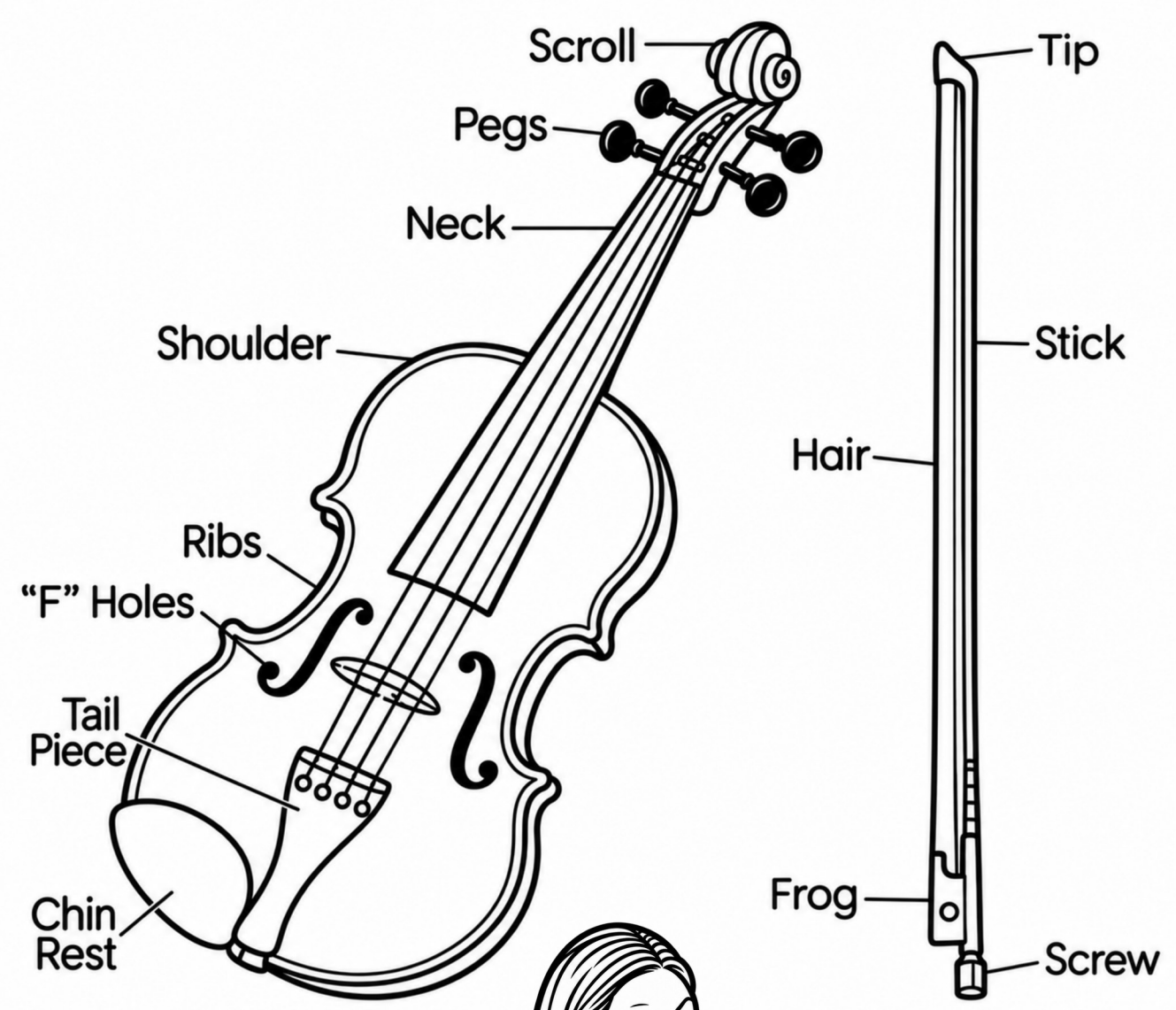
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Meet the Violin







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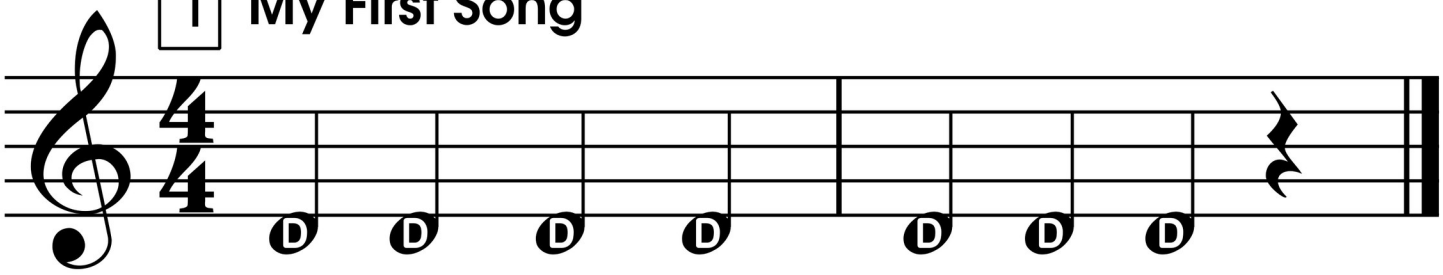
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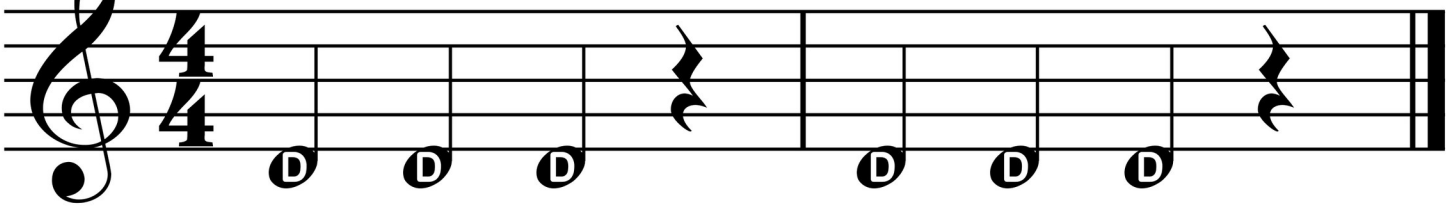
Welcome to the Wonderful World of Violin!

Let's begin with plucking!

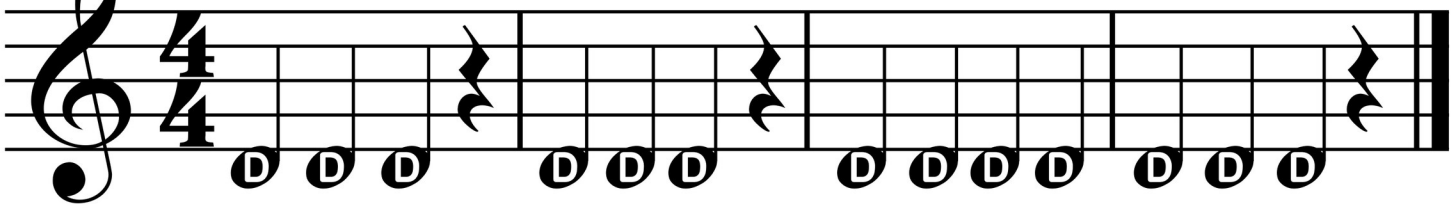
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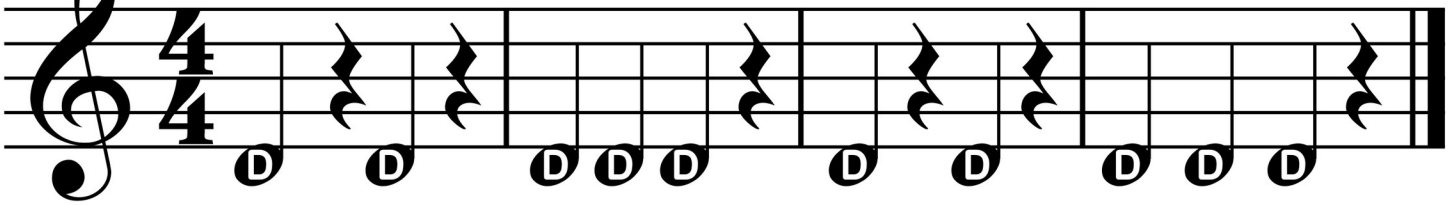
2 Notes and Rests



3 Three's a Crowd

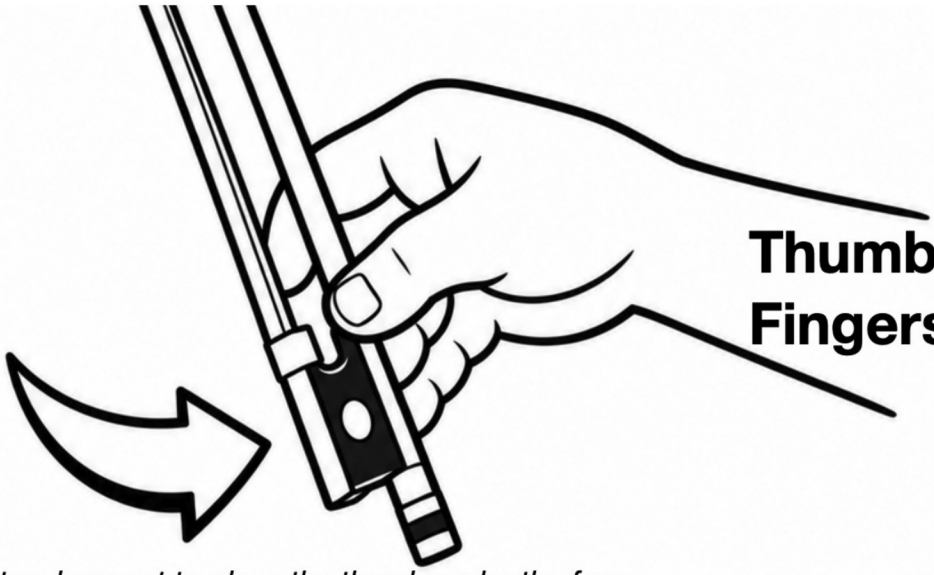


4 Getting Tricky



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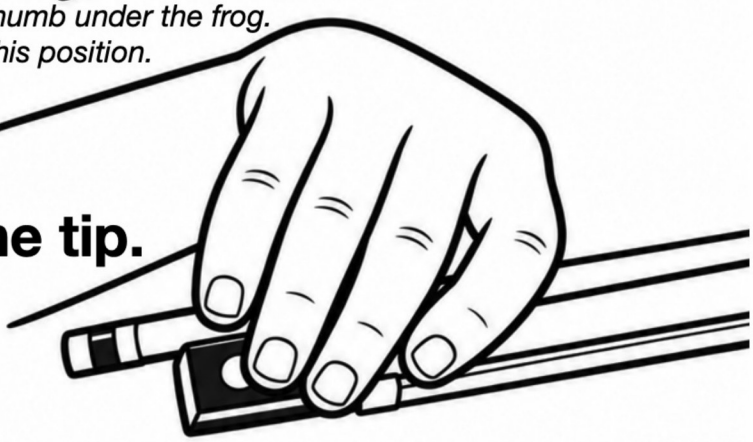
Learning the Bow Grip



Thumb slightly bent.
Fingers slightly apart.

Some teachers opt to place the thumb under the frog.
Follow your teacher's advice for this position.

Pinky on top.
Tilt towards the tip.





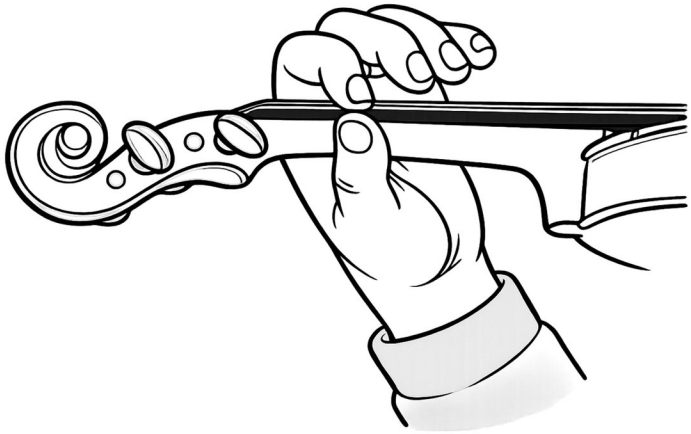
Fingers gently curved.
Wrist is straight.

Elbow off your side.

Now go back and play the first part of the book again with the bow.

NEW NOTE

First Finger "E"



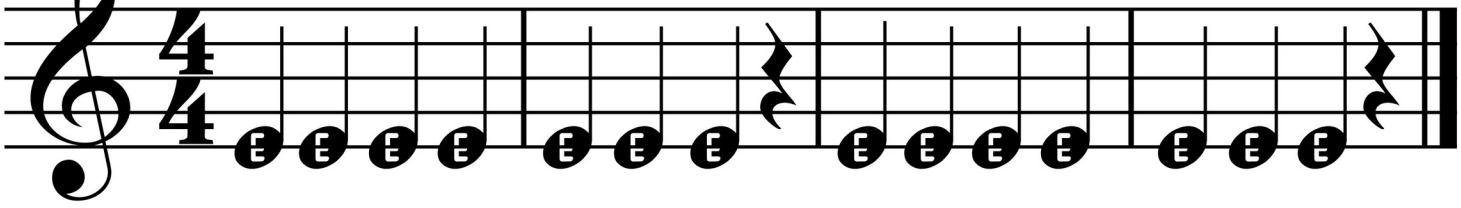
To play our new note, place the first finger of your left hand down on the "D" string's first tape or mark.

Curve your fingers & use the tip of your pointer finger on the "D" string.

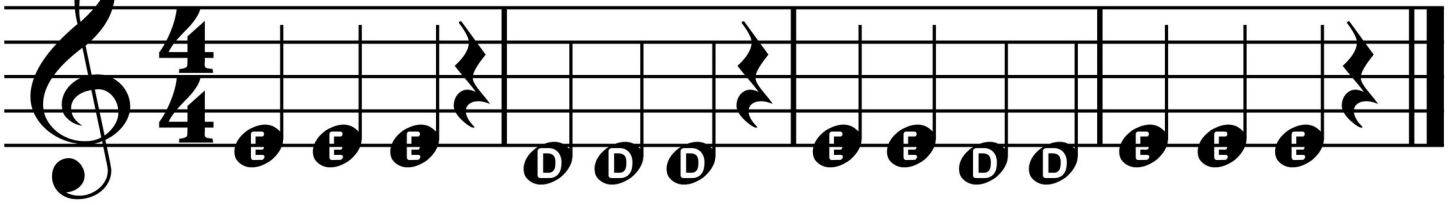
Relax your thumb.

Press firmly and play the "D" string with your bow.

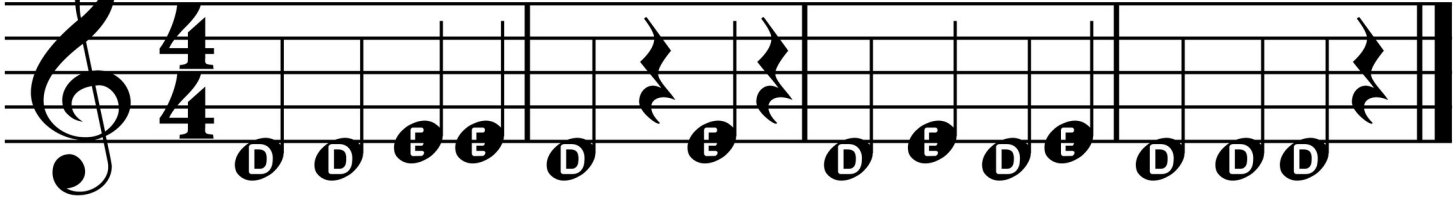
20 My First Finger E



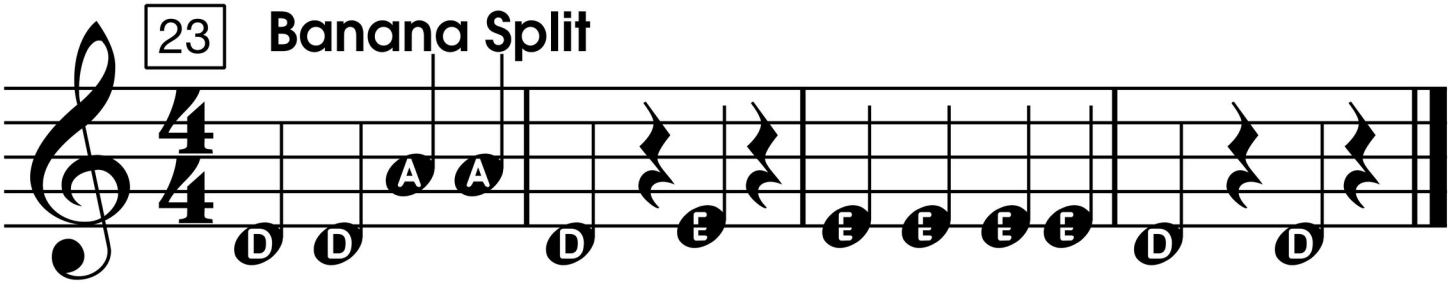
21 The Fabulous Mr. Ed



22 Fun with D and E

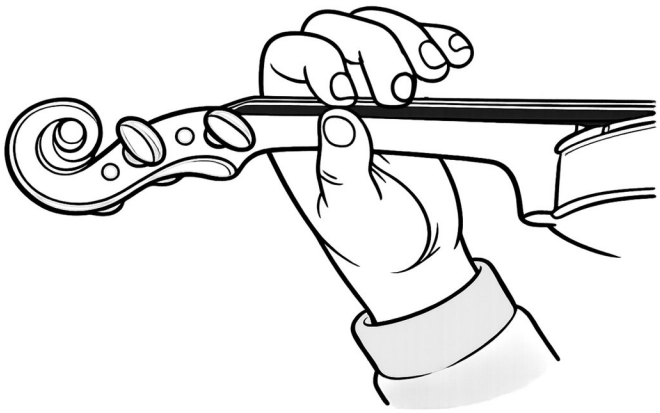


23 Banana Split



NEW NOTE

Second Finger 9
"F#"



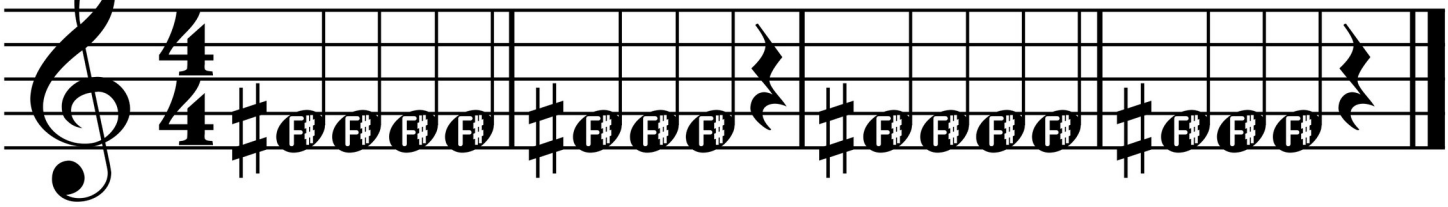
To play our new note, place the first and second fingers of your left hand down on the "D" string's first two tapes.

Curve your fingers & use your finger tips on the "D" string.

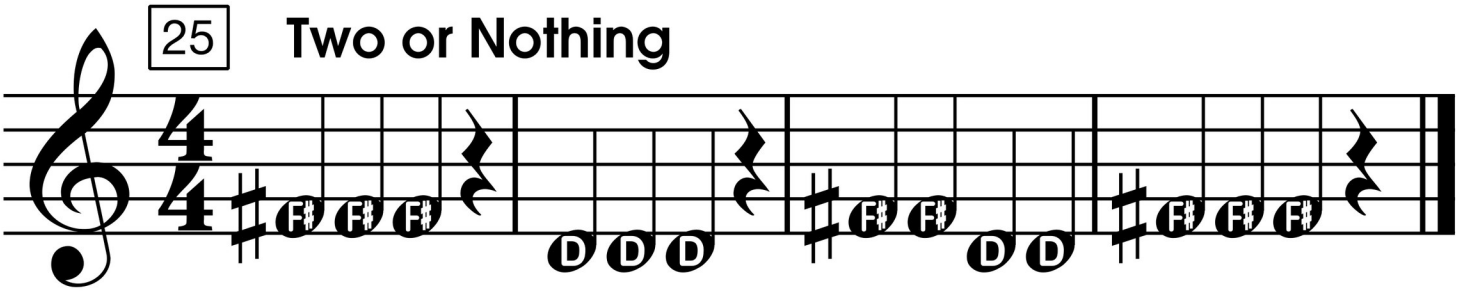
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Press firmly and play the "D" string with your bow.

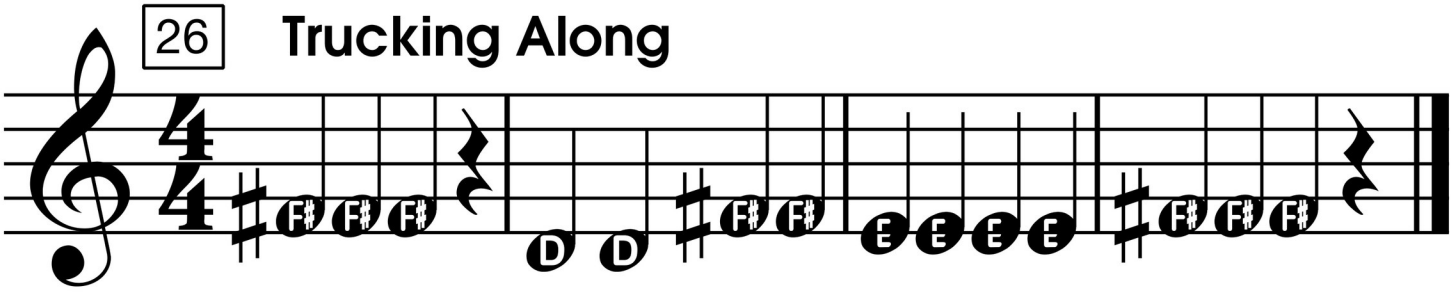
24 Two Fingers Down



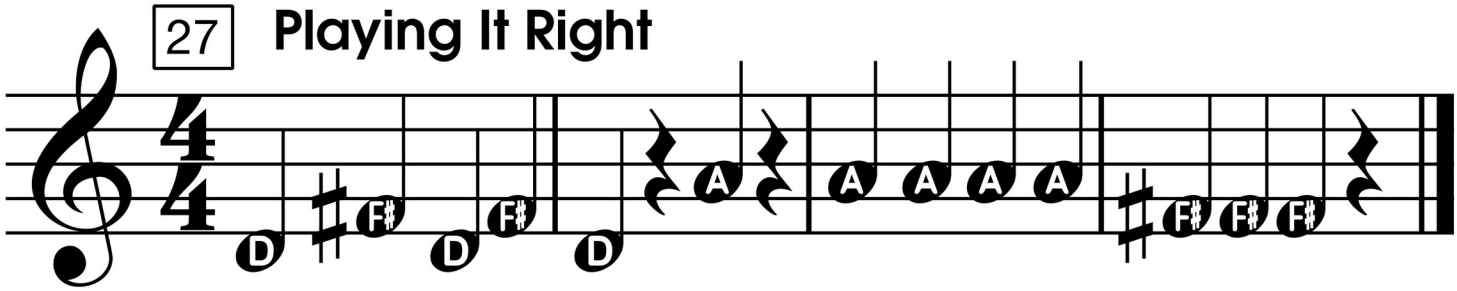
25 Two or Nothing



26 Trucking Along



27 Playing It Right



Quarter notes get one beat of sound.

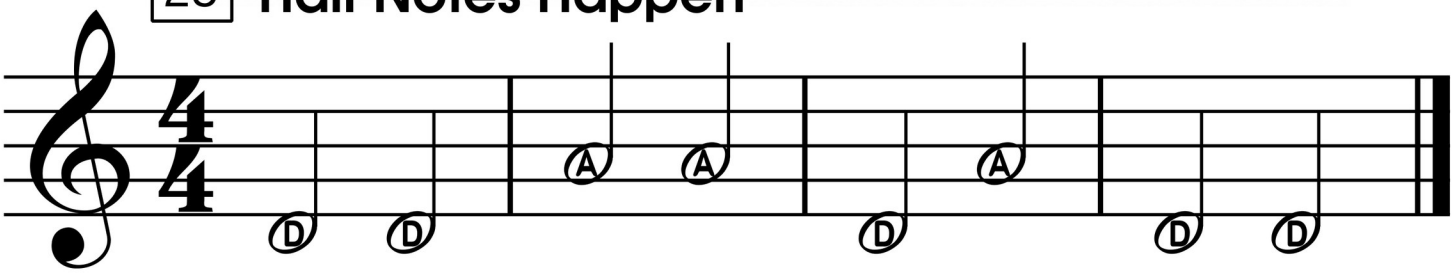
Whole notes get four beats of sound.

Quarter note rests get one beat of silence.

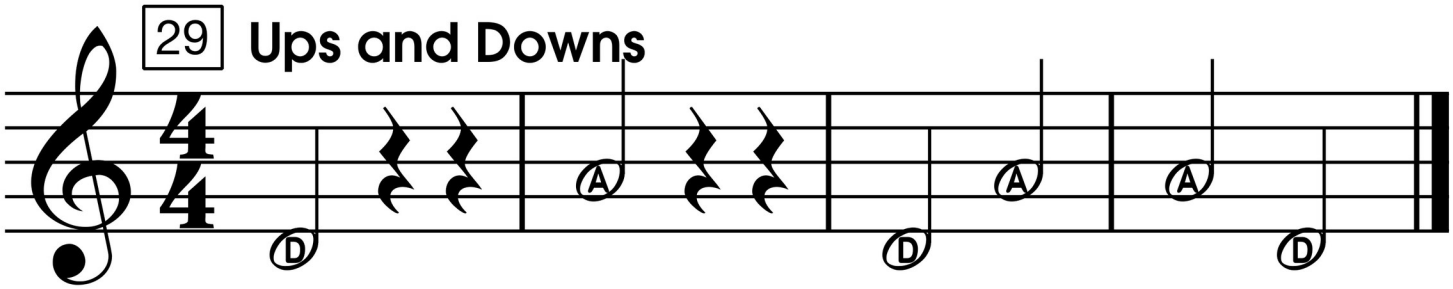
Half Note

Two Beats of Sound

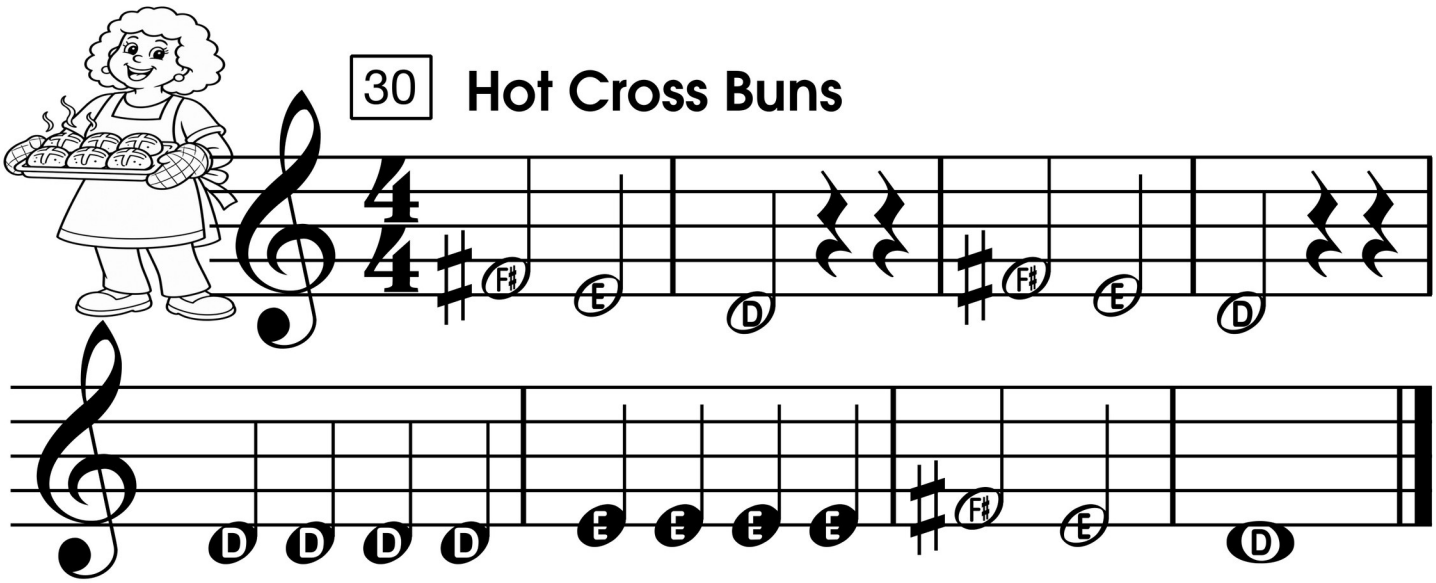
28 Half Notes Happen



29 Ups and Downs

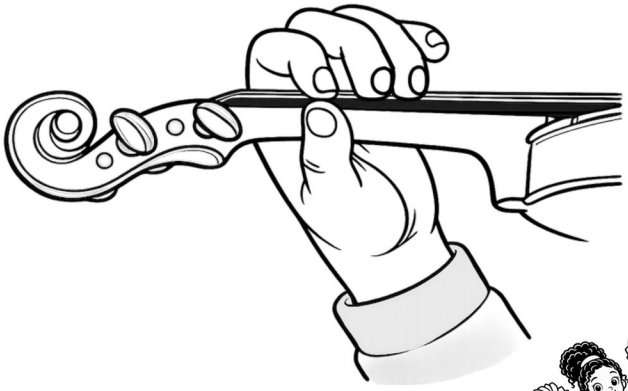


30 Hot Cross Buns



NEW NOTE

Third Finger "G"



To play our new note, place the first, second and third fingers of your left hand down on the "D" string's first three tapes.

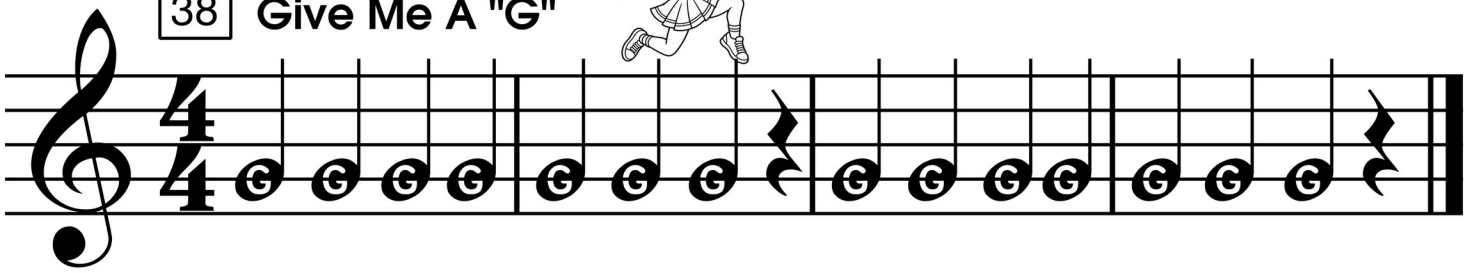
Curve your fingers & use your finger tips on the "D" string.

Relax your thumb.

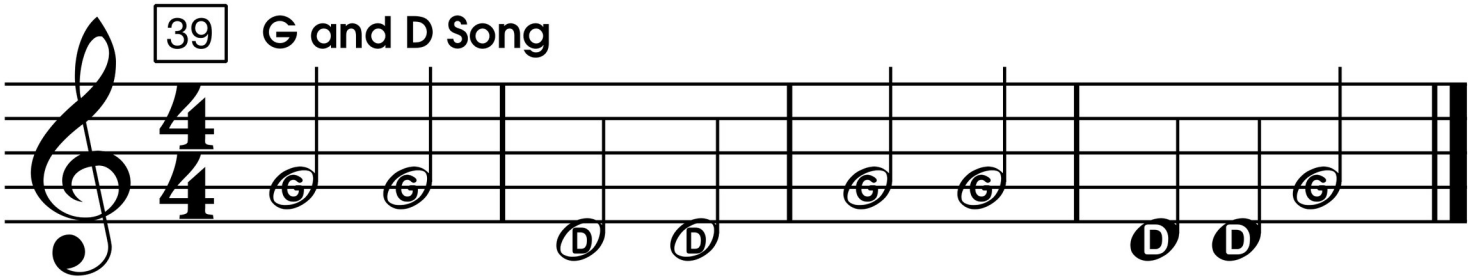
Press firmly and play the "D" string with your bow.



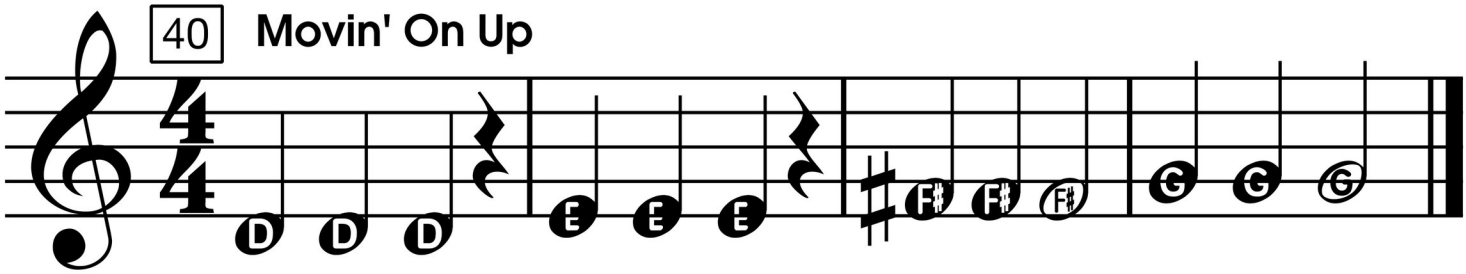
38 **Give Me A "G"**



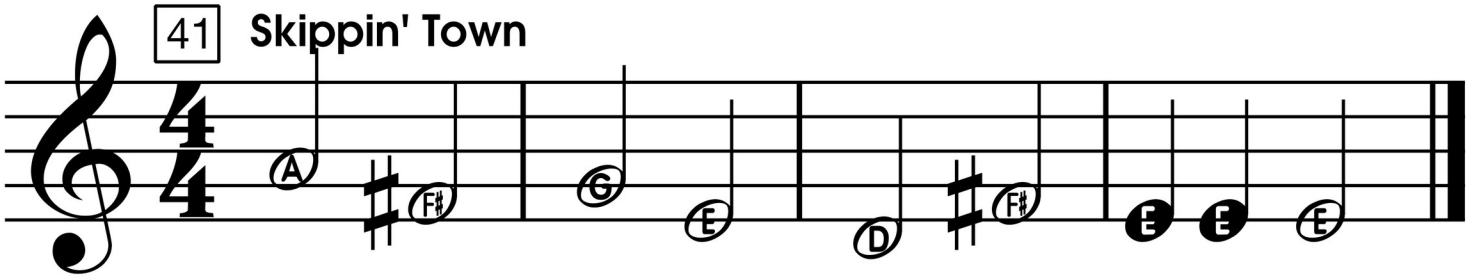
39 **G and D Song**

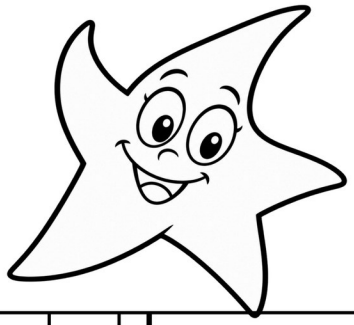


40 **Movin' On Up**

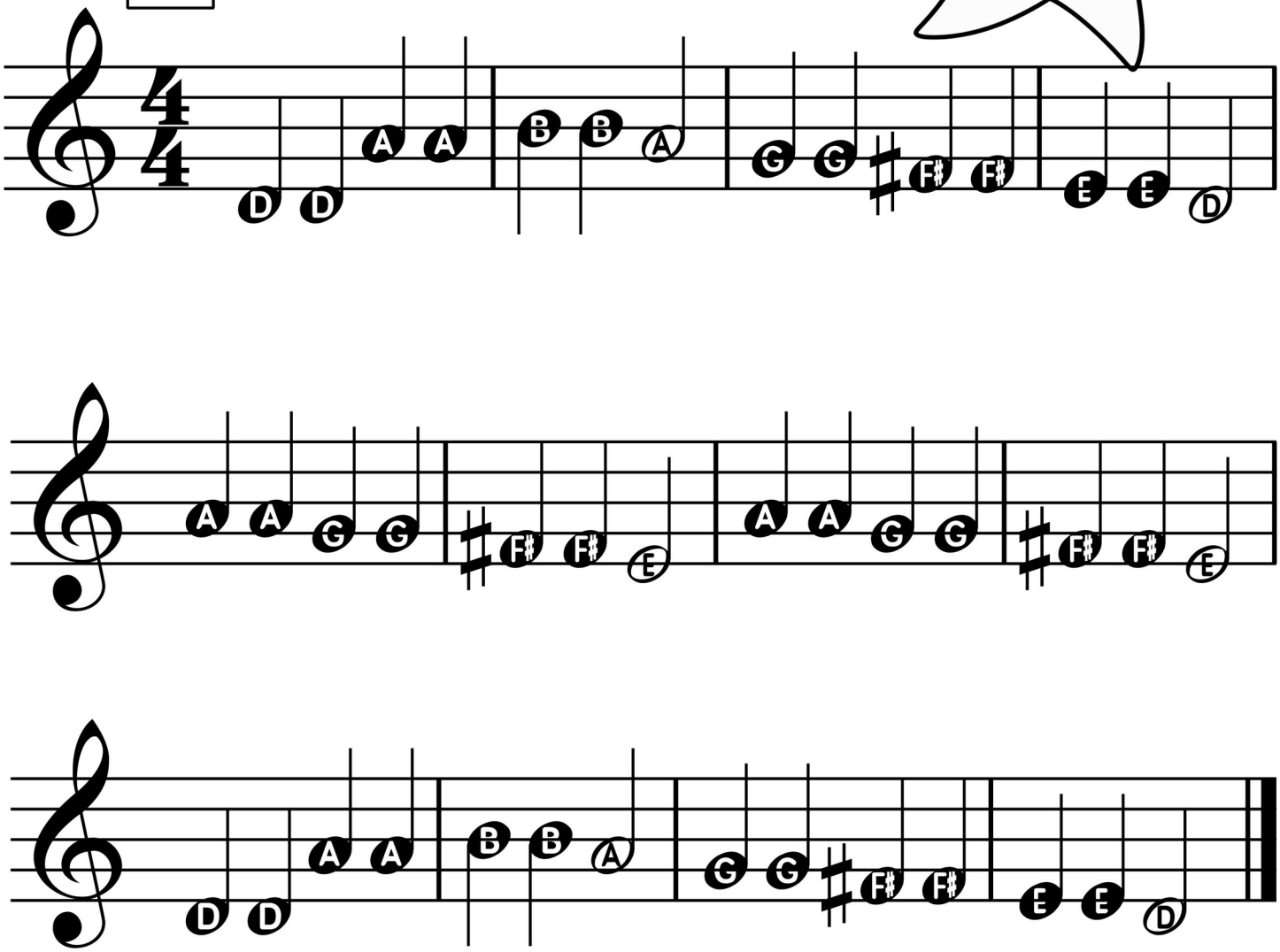


41 **Skippin' Town**





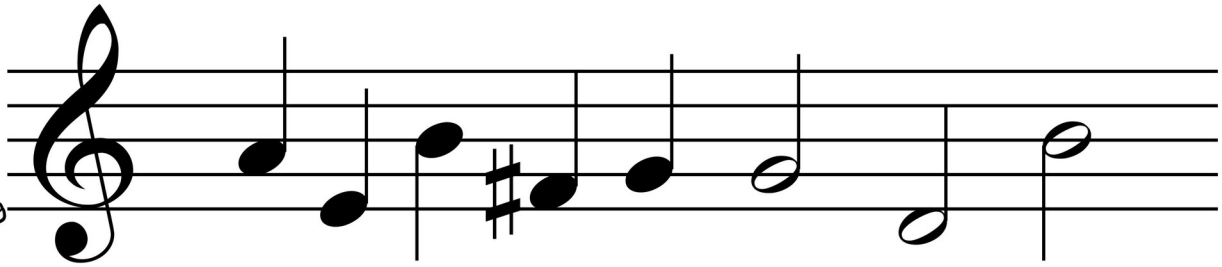
46 **Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star**





Fun Work

Name the notes.





DOWN BOW

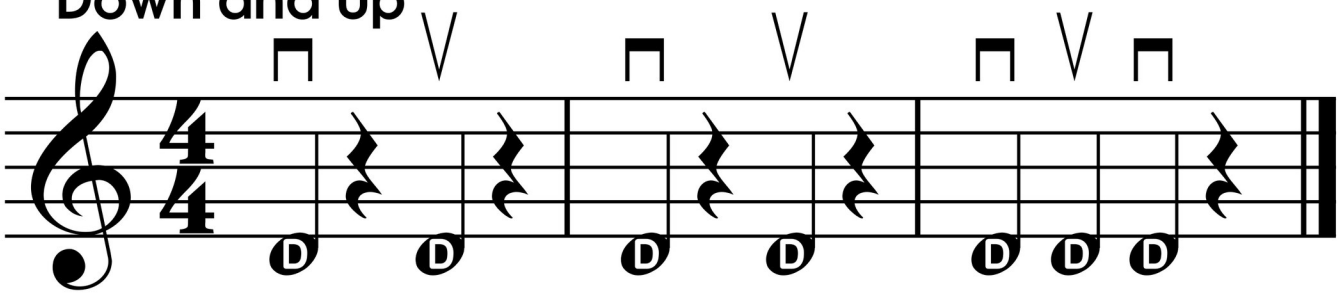
Move the bow away from your body (to the right) for a **DOWN bow**.

UP BOW

Move the bow toward your body (to the left) for an **UP bow**.

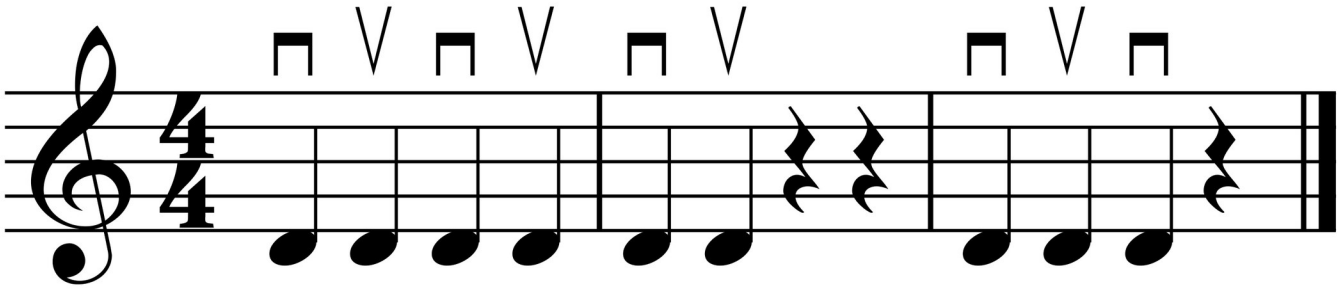
Down and Up

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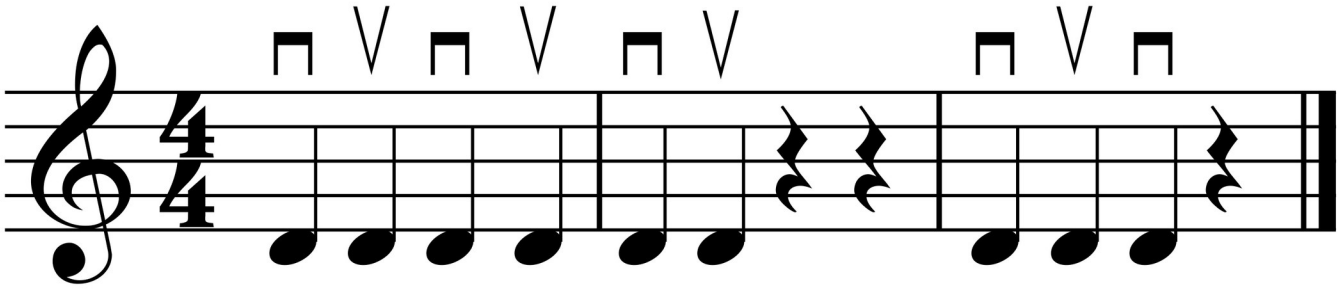
Love My Bow

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Bow Time

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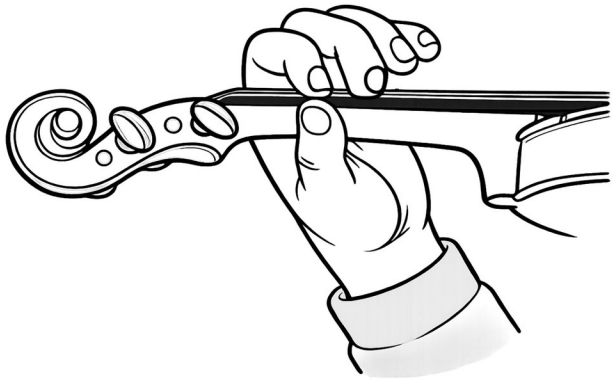




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Jingle Bells

NEW NOTE Second Finger "C#" 25



To play our new note, place the first and second fingers of your left hand down on the "A" string's first two tapes.

Curve your fingers & use your finger tips on the "A" string.

Relax your thumb.

Press firmly and play the "A" string with your bow.

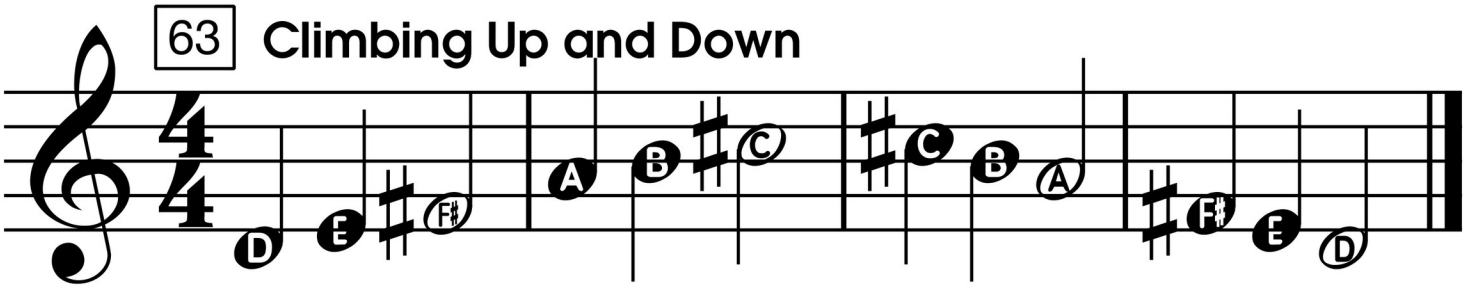
61 I See "C" Sharp



62 Hot Cross Buns on the "A" String



63 Climbing Up and Down

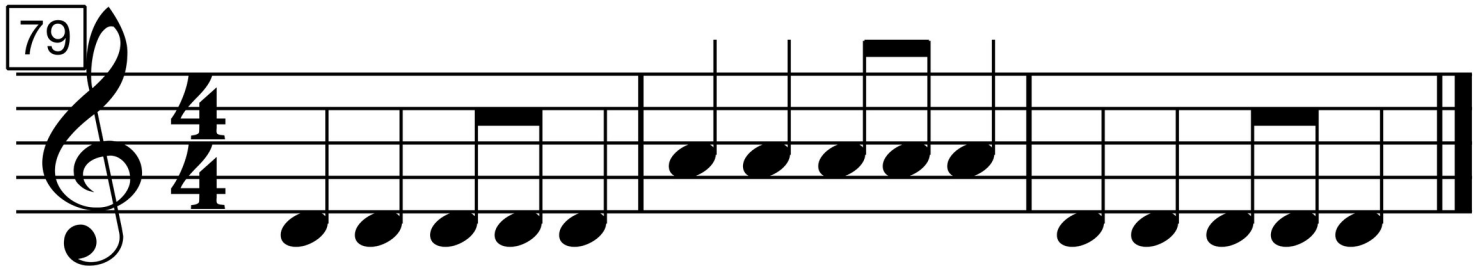


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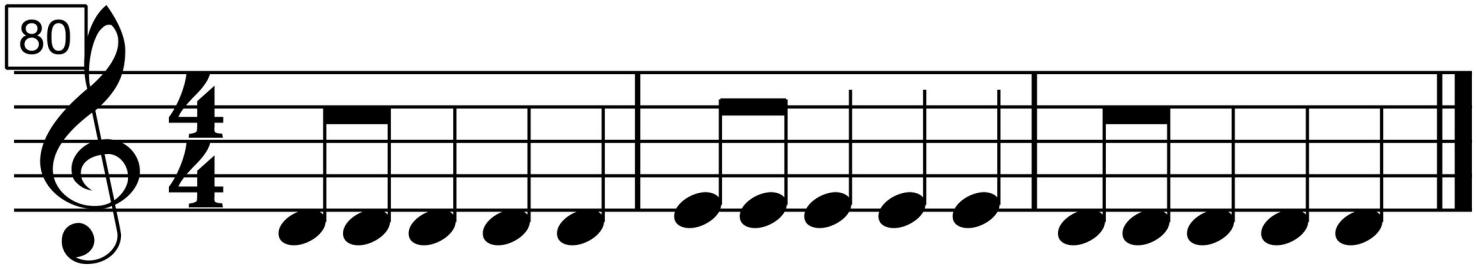


One eighth note gets 1/2 count. Two eighth notes get one count.

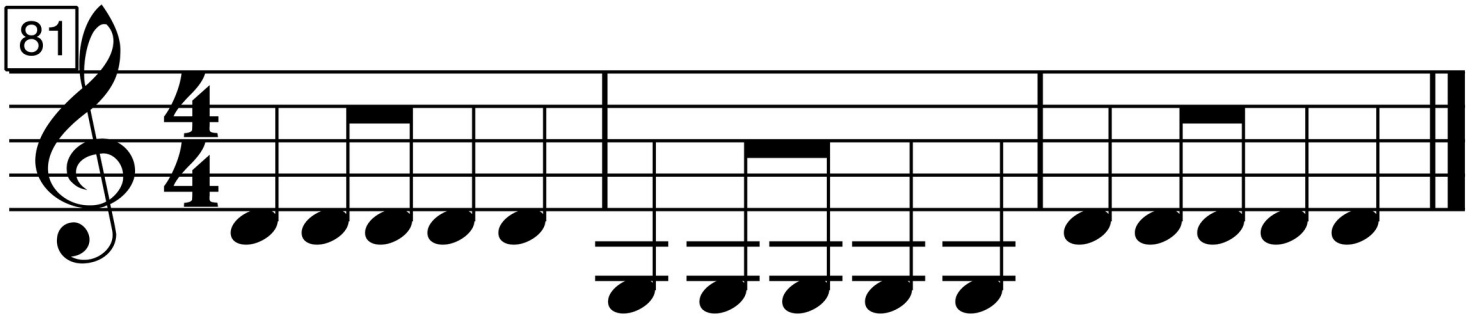
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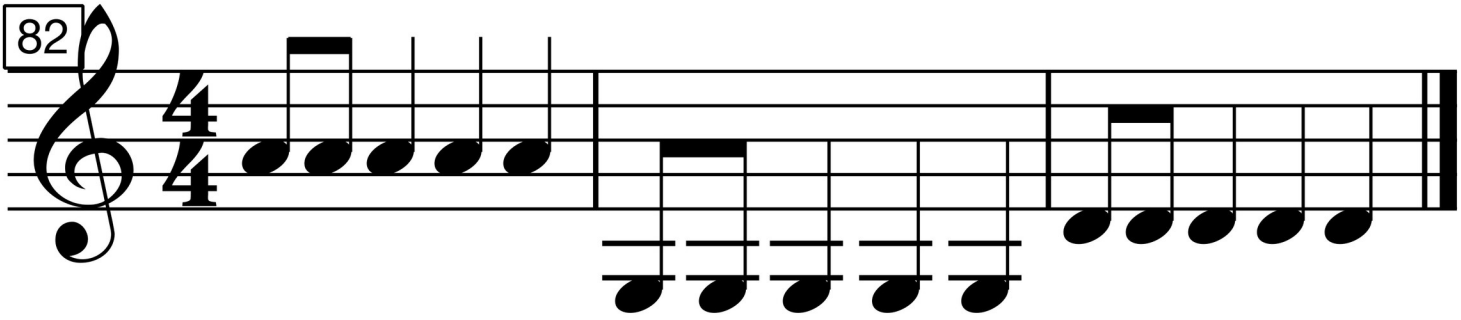
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Dynamics

p **Piano**
Play with a soft volume.

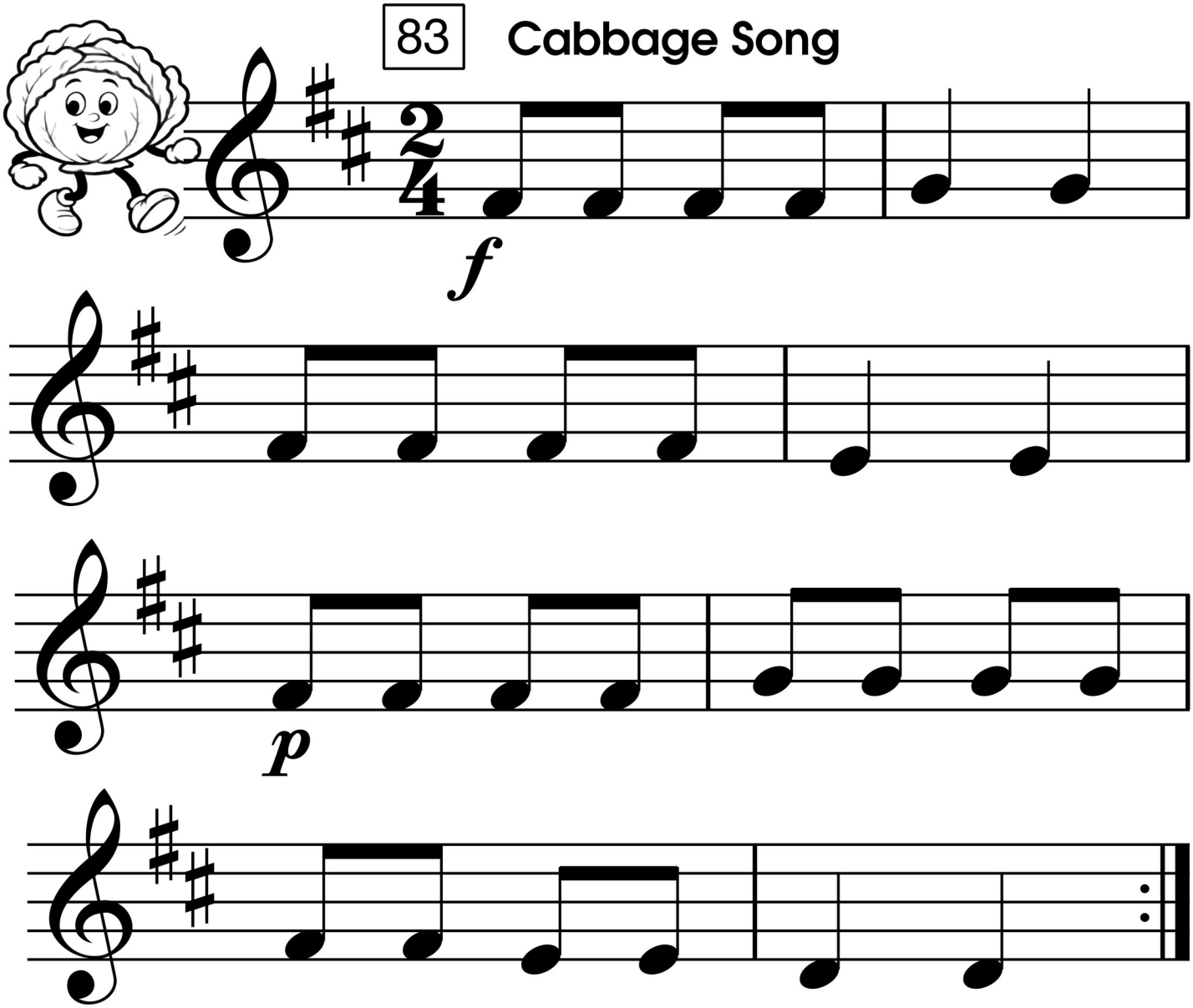
f **Forte**
Play with a loud volume.

Key Signature



When you see two sharps at the beginning of a song, play all the F and C notes as sharp notes.

83 **Cabbage Song**



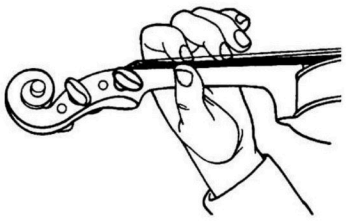
88 **Ode to Joy**



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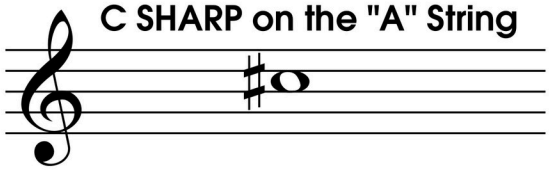
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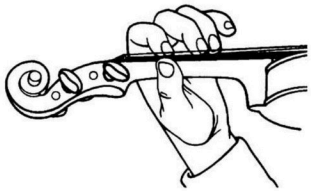
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C SHARP

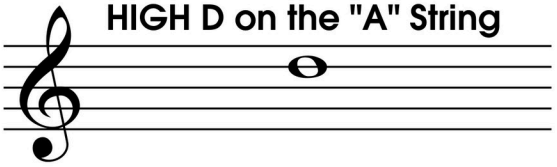
Two fingers on "A"

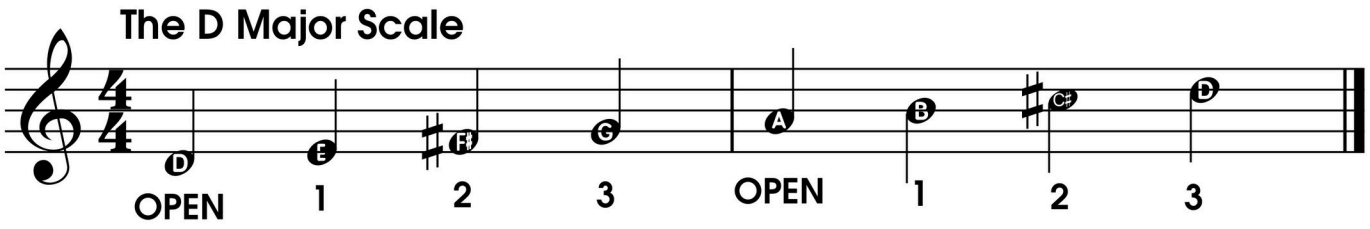




HIGH D

Three fingers on "A"



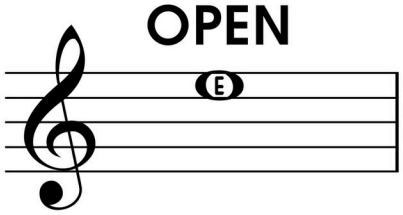




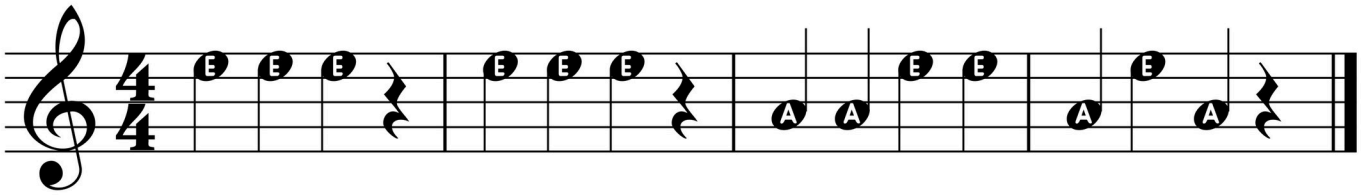


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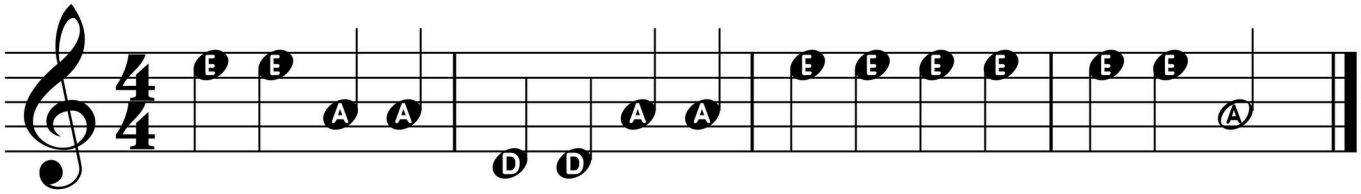




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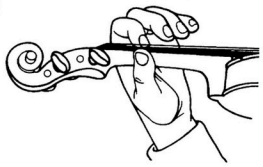
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"F" SHARP

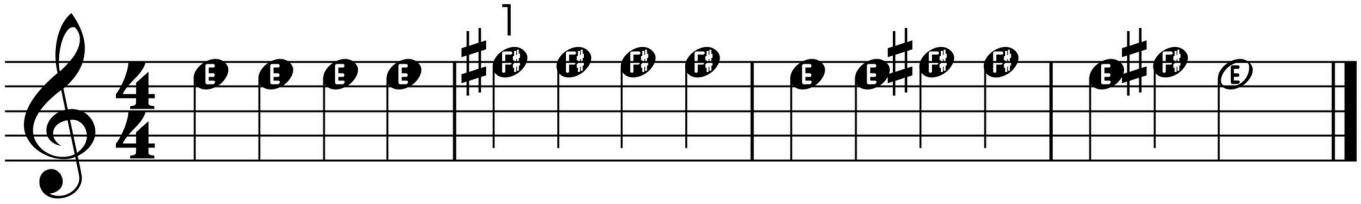






First finger on E string

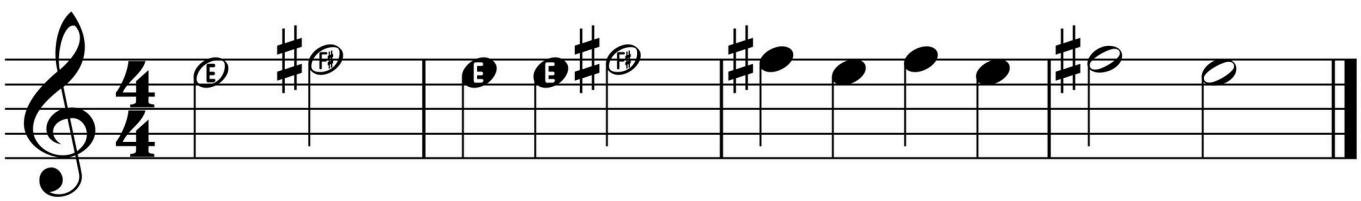
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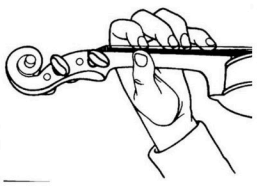
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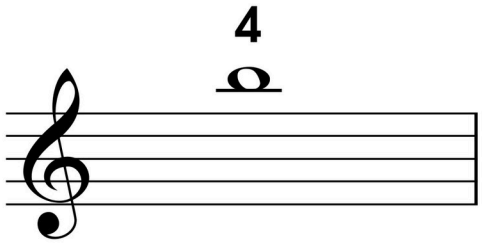


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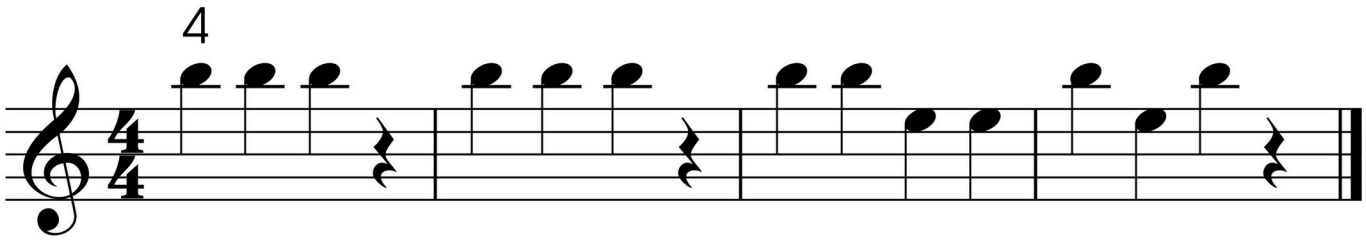
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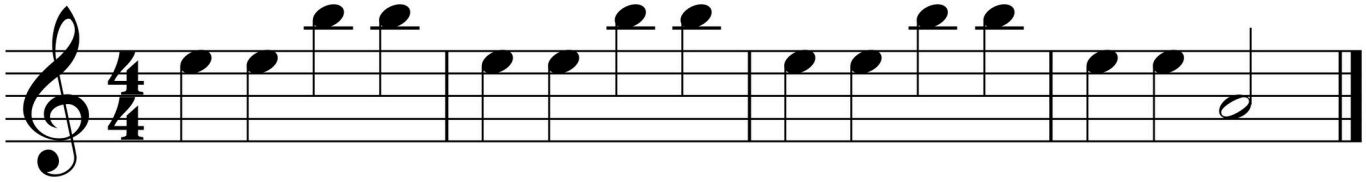


Fourth finger on E string

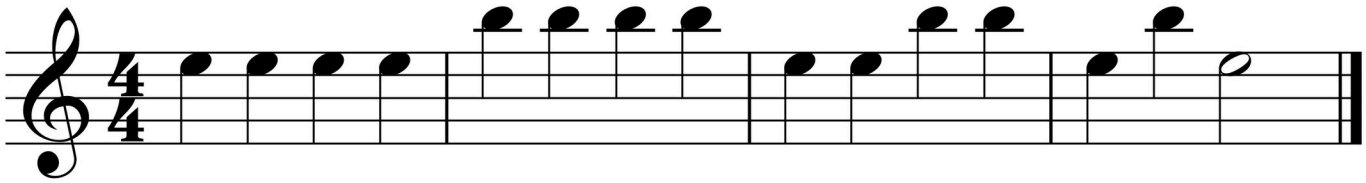
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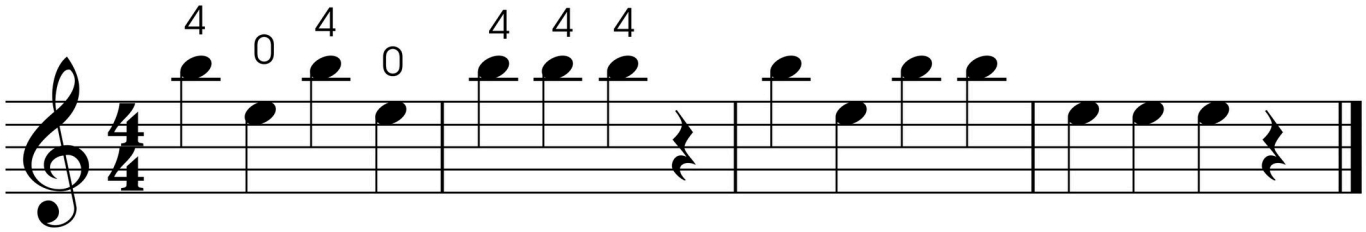
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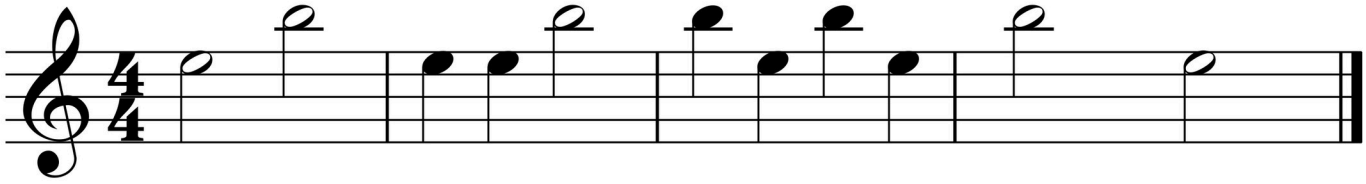
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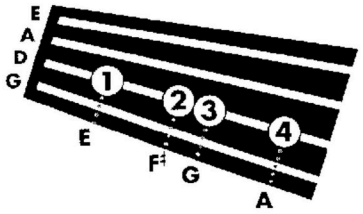
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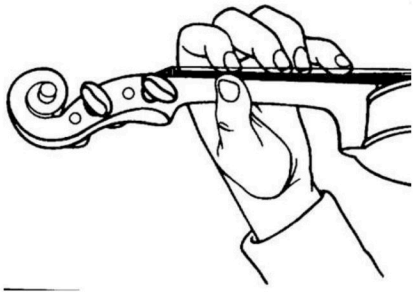


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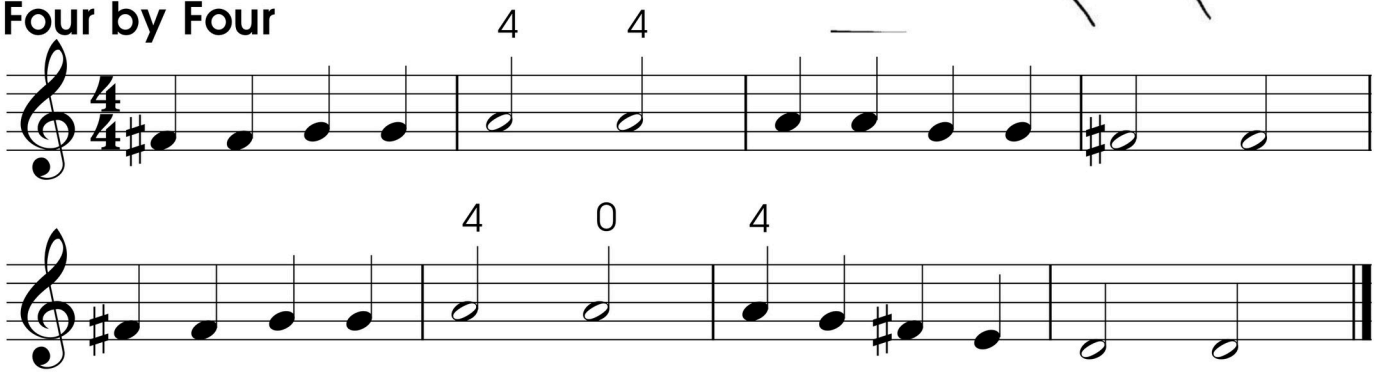


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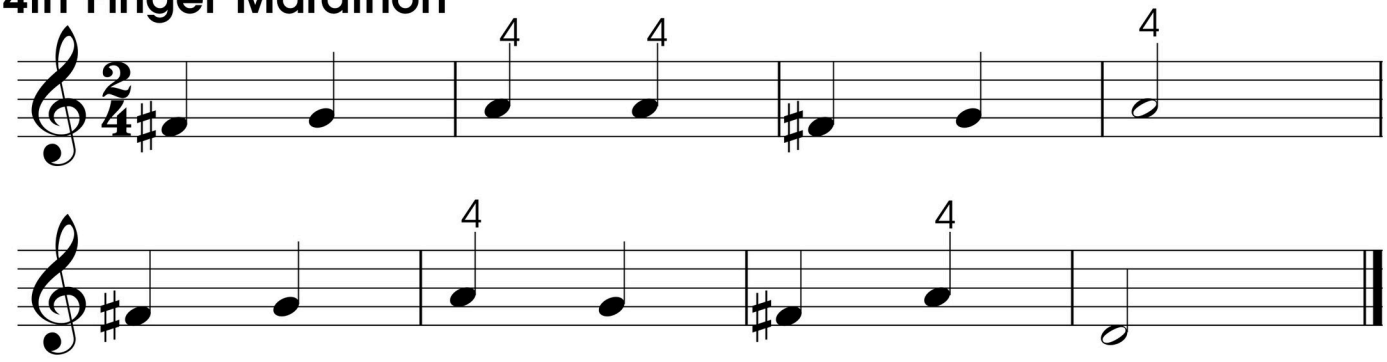




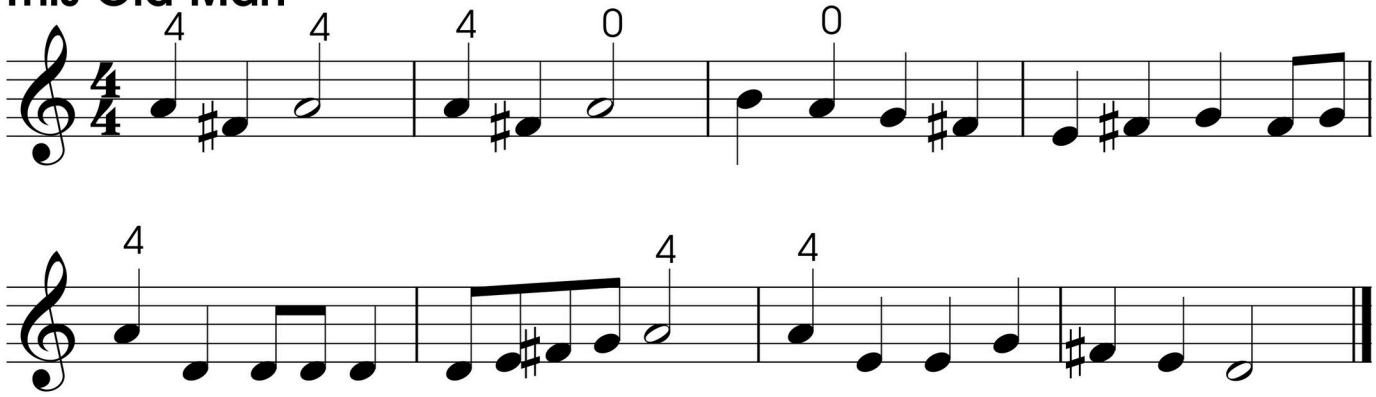
Four by Four



4th Finger Marathon



This Old Man

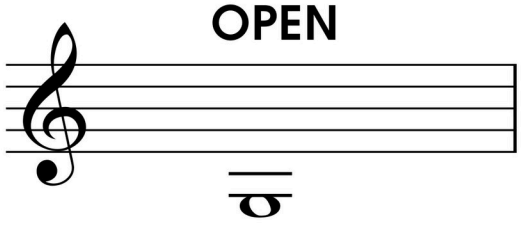




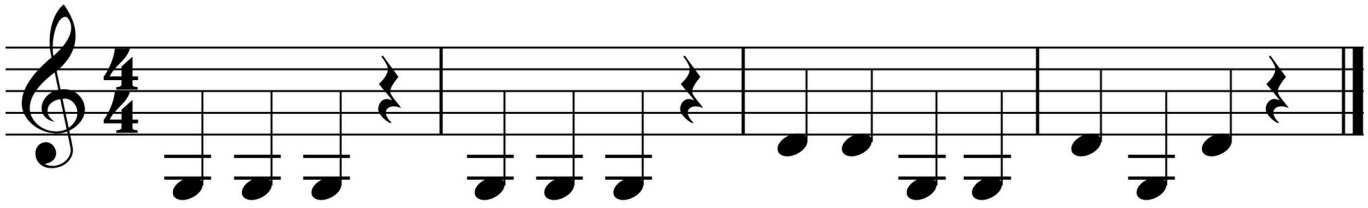
OPEN "G" STRING



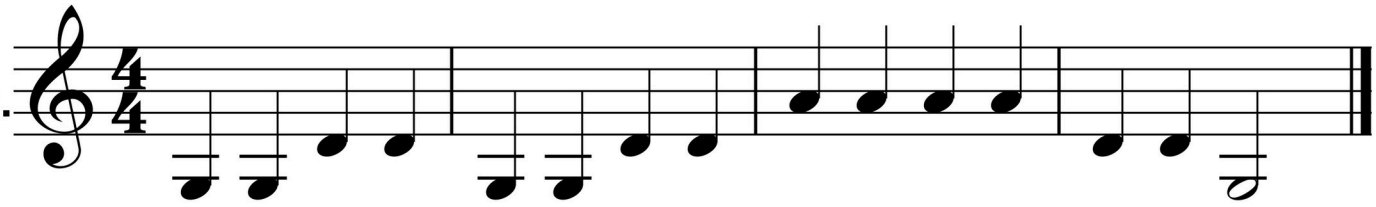
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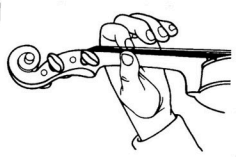
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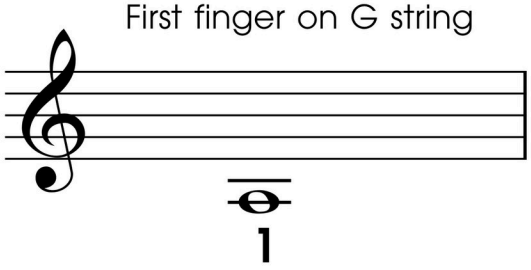


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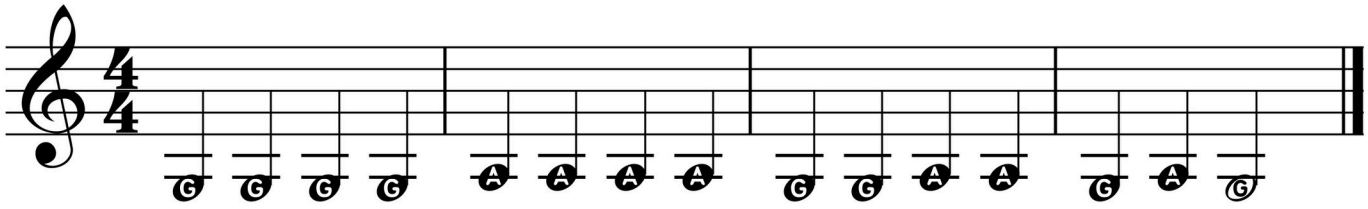




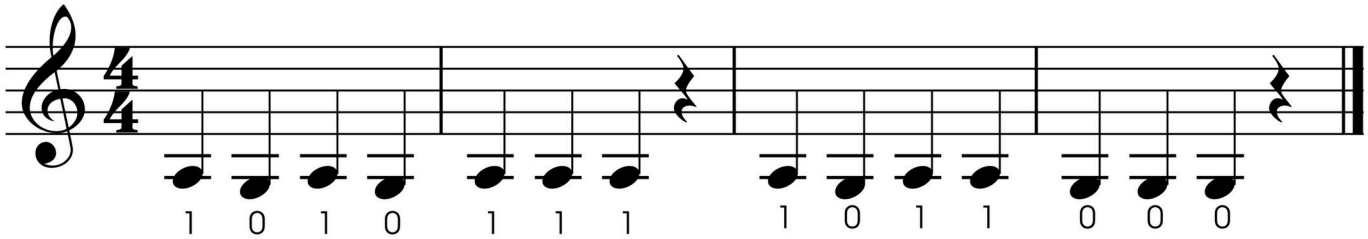
First finger on G string



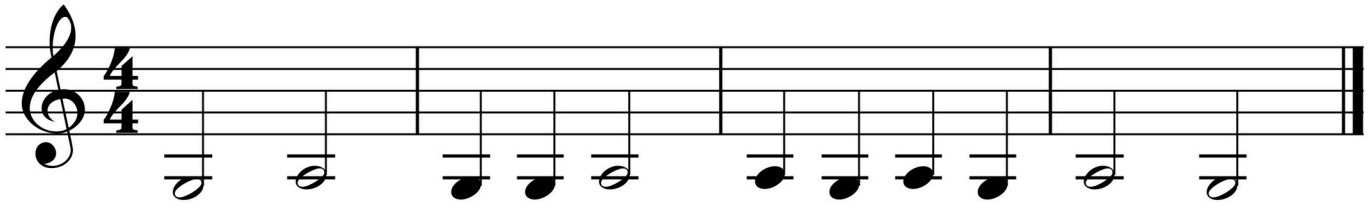
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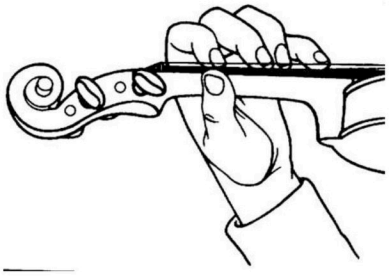


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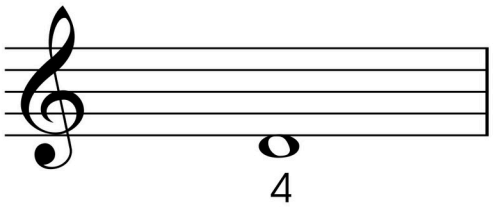




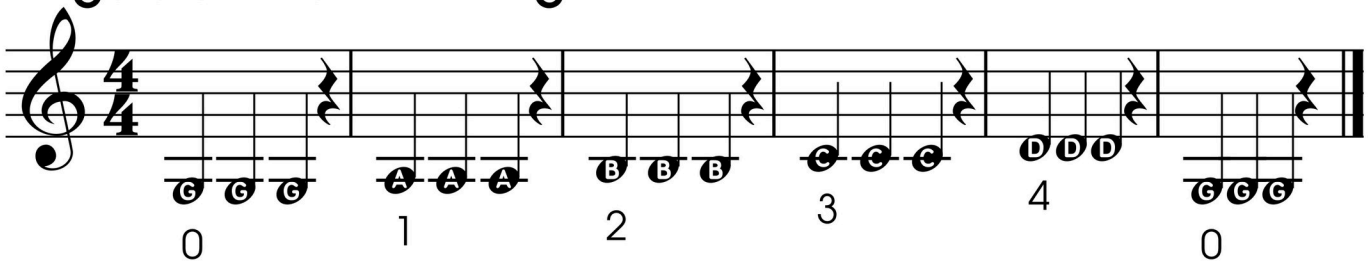
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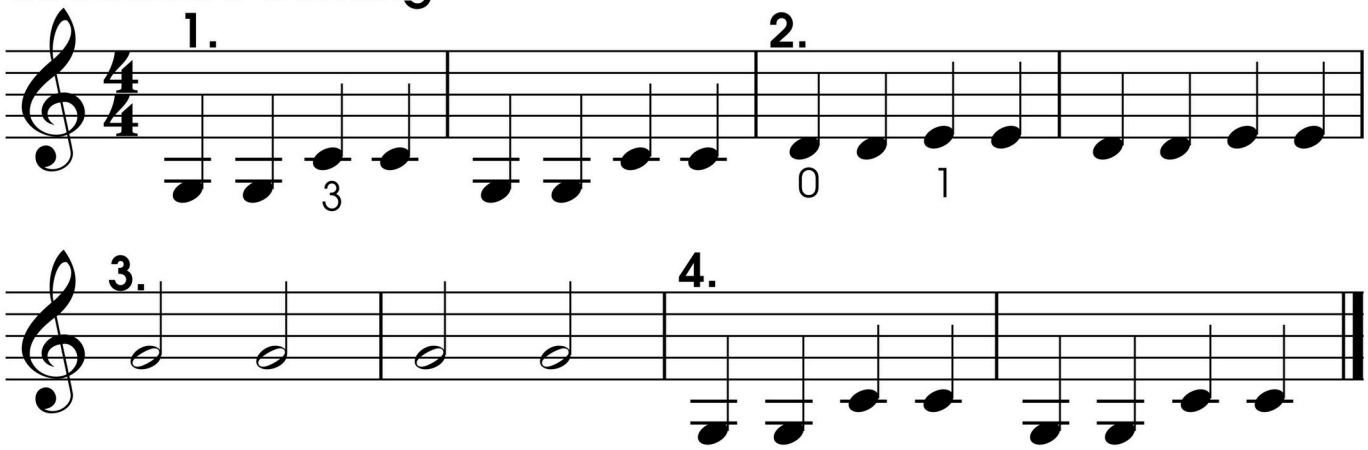
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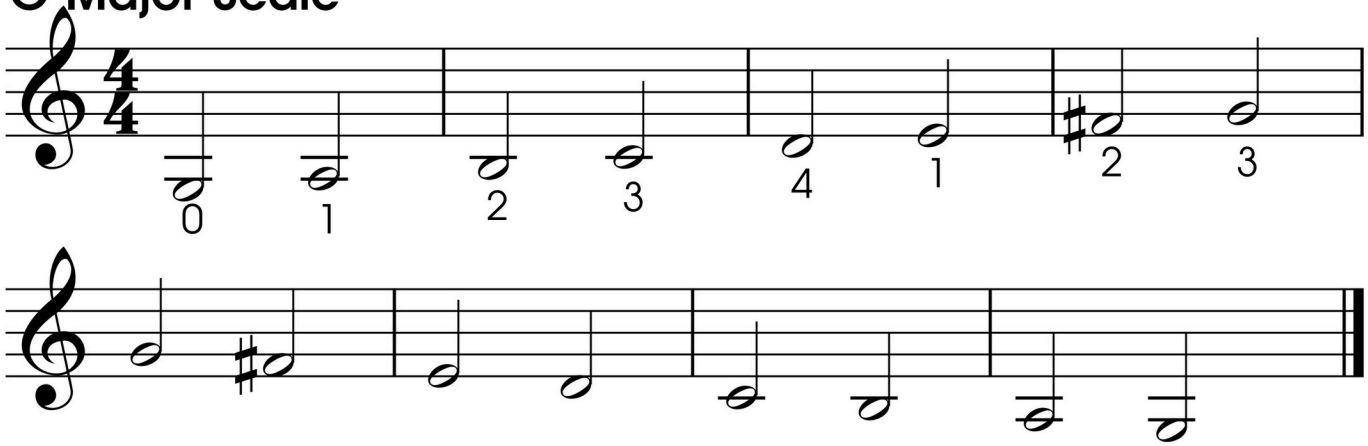
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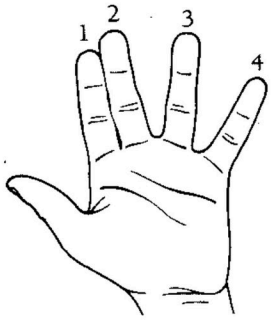


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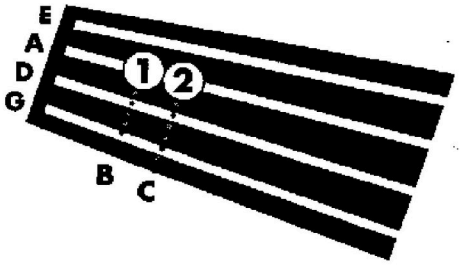


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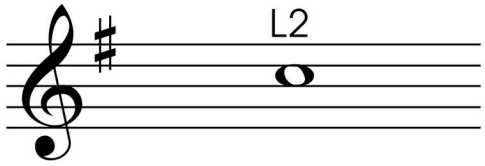




Low 2nd Finger



"C" Natural



Low second finger on "A" string

Playing "C" Natural





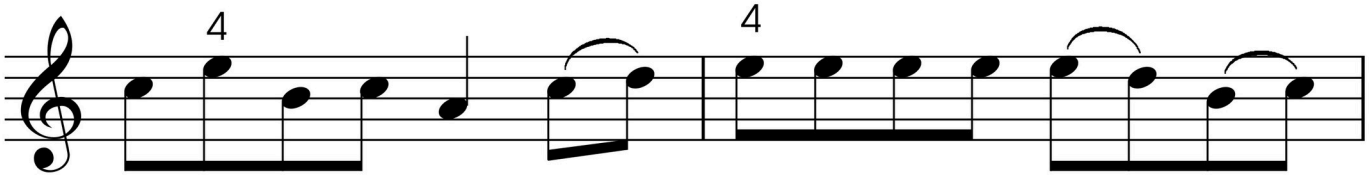
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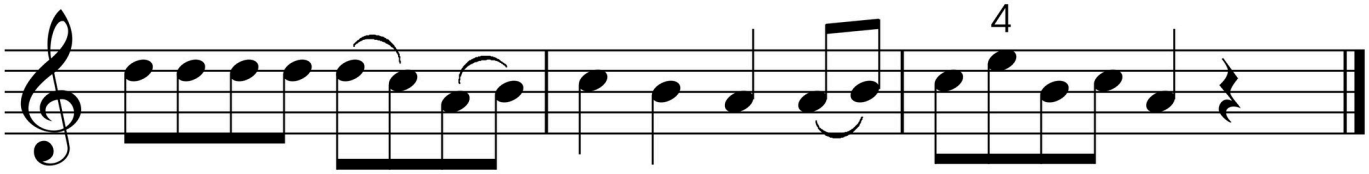


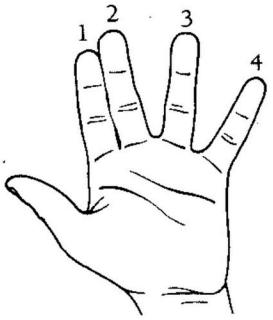


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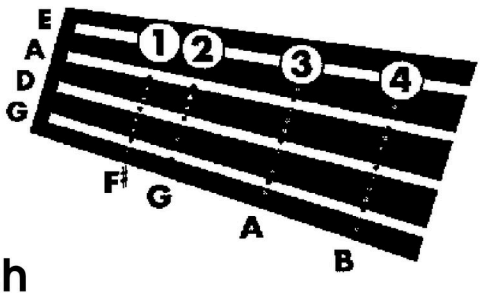


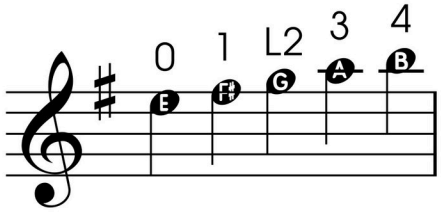




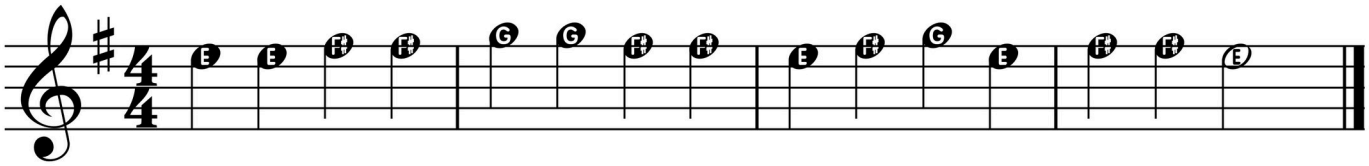


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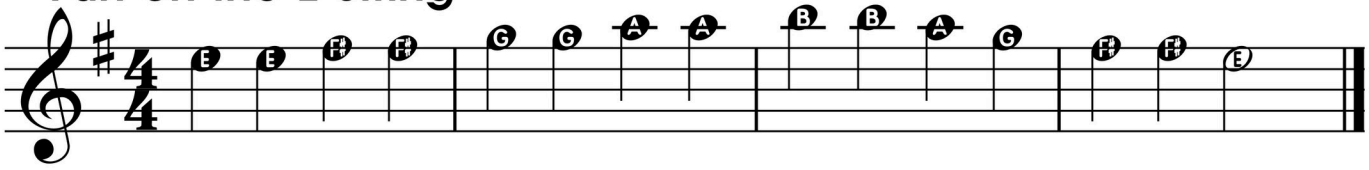




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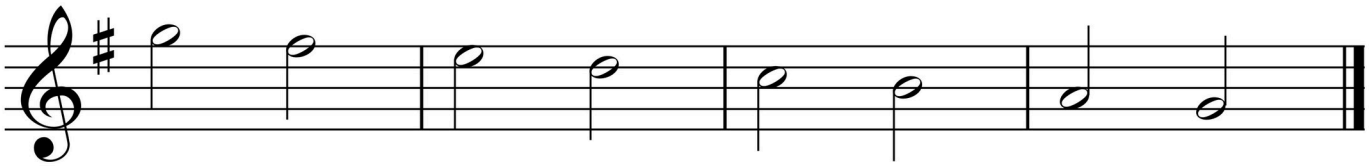


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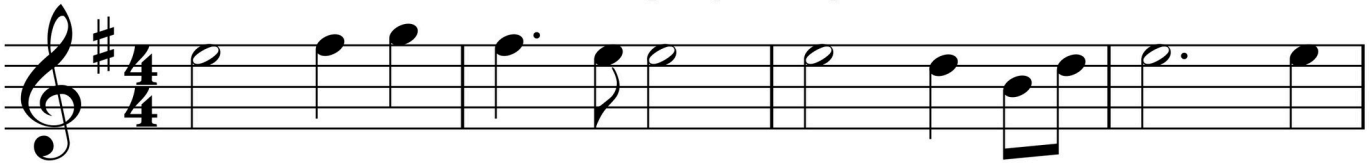


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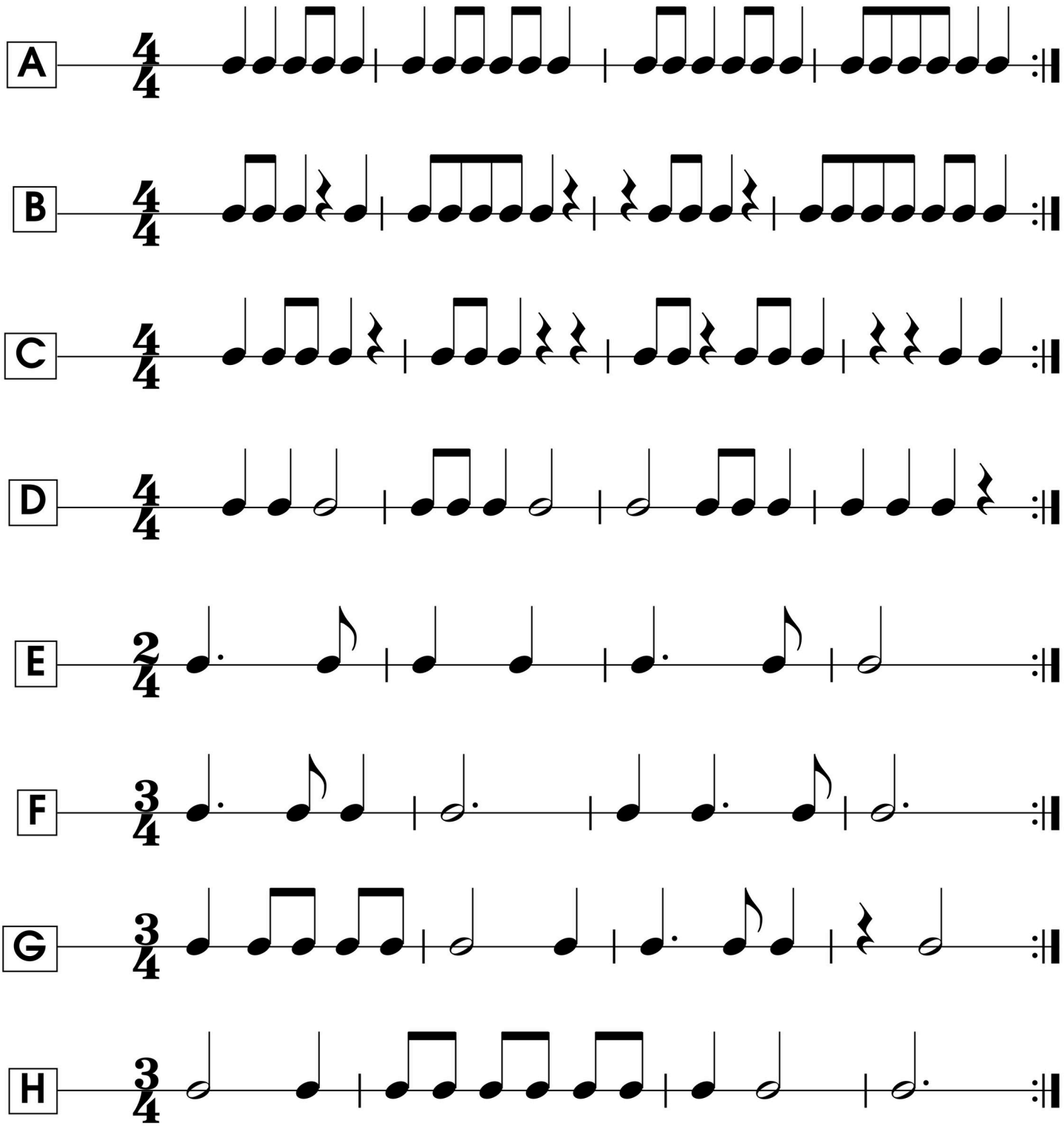


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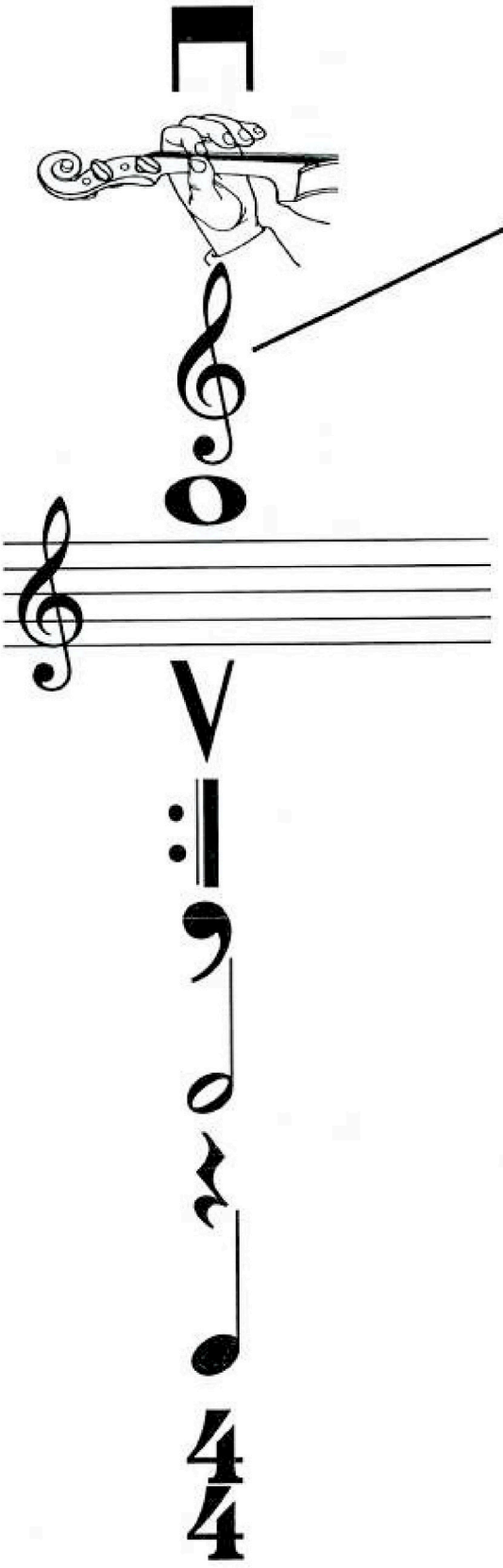




Rhythm Fun



Matching Game



treble clef

quarter rest

down bow sign

music staff

lift your bow

quarter note

whole note

first finger down

4 beats per measure

half note

up bow sign

repeat sign