

STRATEGIES FOR LEARNING STRING MUSIC

1. FINGER AND SAY—SAY LETTER NAME WHILE DOING THE CORRECT FINGERING
2. FINGER AND PIZZ—USE STRATEGY #1, BUT WITH PIZZICATO (PLUCKING) ON THE STRING RATHER THAN JUST SAYING THE LETTER NAME
3. CLAP AND COUNT—CLAP THE WRITTEN RHYTHM WHILE SAYING THE BEATS ALOUD, AND STEADY (1,2,3,4 1,2,3,4)
4. AIR BOW ON WRITTEN RHYTHM—FOCUSING ON APPROPRIATE BOW SPEED AND DIRECTION
5. SINGLE PITCH IN RHYTHM—KEEP A STEADY BEAT ON THE WRITTEN RHYTHMS WHILE PLAYING A SINGLE PITCH OF YOUR CHOICE FOR THE WHOLE PASSAGE
6. WRITTEN PITCHES ON QUARTER NOTES—DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE WRITTEN RHYTHMS WITH THIS STRATEGY, JUST KEEP A STEADY BEAT. AND FOCUS ON THE FINGERINGS AND THE TECHNIQUE OF YOUR INSTRUMENT TO PLAY WITH A GOOD TONE.
7. PLAY THE PASSAGE!