

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to play a simple tune on the violin and understand the basics of holding the instrument and bow correctly.

Materials and Prep

- Violin
- Bow
- Rosin
- Music stand
- Quiet practice space
- Patience and a positive attitude

Activities

- **Warm-up:** Start by practicing holding the violin and bow correctly. Remember, the violin goes under your chin and on your shoulder, and the bow is held gently with your fingers.
- **Learn a Note:** Let's start by learning the note "A." Place your first finger on the D string (the second thickest string) and play the note by drawing the bow across the string. Try to make a clear sound!
- **Play a Simple Tune:** Now, let's try playing "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." I will show you the notes and guide you on how to play them. Remember to keep a steady rhythm and have fun!

Talking Points

- Remember, the violin is like a magic wand that makes beautiful music. Hold it gently but firmly, just like holding a friend's hand. Say: "The violin is my magic wand for making music."
- When you draw the bow across the strings, imagine you are painting a rainbow in the sky. Say: "I'm painting a rainbow with my bow."
- Playing the violin is like telling a story with music. Each note is like a word in the story. Say: "My violin is telling a musical story."
- Practice makes perfect! The more you practice, the better you will become. Remember, even the greatest musicians started by playing simple tunes. Say: "I will practice and become a great violinist!"