

Double Bass



Musical notes and symbols



Bass clef



Crotchet or quarter note



Crotchet or quarter note rest



Quaver or eighth note rest

Quavers or eighth notes



Dotted Crotchet or dotted quarter note



Dotted Crotchet or dotted quarter note rest



Down bow



Up bow

Minim or half note



Bar line



Minim or half note rest



Start repeat



End repeat



Final bar line



Time signature



Semibreve or whole note

Dotted minim or dotted half note

Dotted minim or dotted half note rest



Key signature



Semibreve or whole note rest

NOTE TO TEACHERS

Whilst some teachers introduce the bow from the outset, others delay its introduction until the left hand position has been established. All the pieces in the open string sections (with the exception of Pagoda Music) are playable bowed or plucked. However, those marked pizz. do sound better when played pizzicato. .



Using the 'pointing' finger on your right hand, gently strum the strings from G to E.

Downs & Ups Pluck or bow each string 4 times, from E to G and then back from G to E.





Ups & Downs Pluck or bow each string 4 times, from G to E and then back from E to G.





Open strings – String Street Zoo



G is for gorilla, beating his chest,



D is for dormouse, having a rest.







E is for elephant, big as a whale!



String Street Soul

The time signature tells us both how many and what type of beats there are in each bar.



In both 'String Street Soul' and 'Ravioli Rock', listen to and echo what your teacher plays.











Play 'Open String Rock' using the 'foodie' rhythms below, and make up your own. If you are being taught in a group, then take it in turns to be the 'leader'.











Follow Me Listen to and echo what your teacher plays.



Take turns with your teacher/group to improvise a four beat pattern, using any or all four open strings. See example below.











Scary!



Tap Dancer



















String Street Rag









Cool Reggae Cool





First finger on D - E



Let's play first finger E on D



Chinese Checkers



First finger on D - E

Drunken Sailor



Fourth finger on D – F#





Practice your bow hold exercises during the course of the introduction.

Ballad



Fourth finger on D – F#





Simply Samba



Let's play along with open G

From this point onwards, all pieces and exercises will have key signatures. These tell us which sharps, flats and naturals to play in any particular key.



Alla Baroque







Let's Rock!











String Street Blues





Viennese Waltz



Hawaiian Nights





Spy Call











First finger on A - B





Let's play first finger B on A





Little Star









Fourth finger on A – C#





Practice your bow hold exercises during the course of the introduction.



Let's play along with open D



French Dressing



Boil 'em Cabbage Down



String Street Foxtrot



The above tune has appeared before in the book. Can you remember where?

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Cha-Cha-Cha



String Street Tango





Caribbean Sunshine





Rumba Numba







