

PRACTICE SCHEDULE


Assignment: Ode to Joy (#86), French Folk Song (#106), Twinkle Variations,

Bonus: practice your note reading skills with online flashcards!!

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Pick your instrument and check it out!

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Our next concert is:
String Jamboree, March 10, 7:00 p.m., HS Field House

- ☐ DAY 1: Warm up with a D scale. Each note 3 times. Go up and back down.
 - Book: French Folk Song. Review measures 1-8, slowly. If needed, label ONLY the first note of each measure. Play it again. Then review measures 9-12, 2x. and 13-16, 2x.
 - French Folk Song: Review the last 4 measures, 2x. Circle the spot where the scale pattern gets interrupted.
 - Ode to Joy: play measures 1-8.
 - Review Twinkle Twinkle melody. Complete the worksheet by labeling the first note of each measure.
 - Flashcards: visit the website above that matches your instrument. Click on the gear  and choose level 1. See how high a score you can get!

- ☐ DAY 2: Warm up with a D scale in Pepperoni Pizza rhythm.
 - Play Hot Cross Buns in Pepperoni Pizza rhythm. Then play Twinkle in that rhythm!
 - Review French Folk Song from yesterday. Try the whole thing! If you find a stumble spot, stop and review it 3x before you go on.
 - Ode to Joy: review measures 1-8. Fix any stumble spots.
 - Ode to Joy: Start at measure 9 (E, E, F#, D) and label the notes for measures 9-12. Now work on playing through them, first plucking, then bowing.
 - Flashcards: today, choose level 5. How many can you get right?
 - Bonus: Scroll down on the flashcards website to find the “technique” page – click on it to check your bow hold!

- ☐ DAY 3: Warm up with the D scale in a rhythm of your choice. Then play Twinkle in that rhythm!
 - French Folk Song: try the whole thing! Fix any stumble spots and play it again.
 - Ode to Joy: review measures 1-12, slowly. Then see if you can play from the beginning to the end. Hint: the last 4 measures are something you’ve already learned!
 - Flashcards: click on the gear and choose “all.” See how far you can get! It will go through D and A, then all four open strings, then the bottom of the D scale.

- ☐ DAY 4: Warm up with at least two old songs you like to play.
 - French Folk Song, whole thing. Can you play it smoothly and confidently?
 - Ode to Joy, whole thing. Can you play it with a steady beat?
 - Pepperoni Pizza Twinkle. Is your bow arm relaxed?
 - Flashcards: can you get farther than you did yesterday?

Congratulate yourself on a great week of practicing! ☺

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