

Level A1.3 ViolinPractice Method Warm Ups

BASIC MOVES A	BOW ARM A
Posture & Balance 1	No Bow
Feet together, Make a "V", Take a step	Finger Taps
Sway in the breeze	Bunny Ears
Stand on one leg at a time	Bunny Ears – up & down
Finger Taps Roll shoulders	Bunny Ears – circle wrists
Head – look left/right, up/down	Bow Arm Hops & Slides Pencil Rolls
Swing arms	1 end Rons
Wiggle out!	
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LEFT HAND C	BOW ARM B
Swing & Pizz.	Bow at Middle on Shoulder
Violin Posture Drill	Bow on shoulder – square position
Sway in the breeze, bend knees	Tap fingers on bow (1, 2&3, 4)
Statue of Liberty; Violin to shoulder	Turn over; check round thumb
Tap & Swing over High Dot (left arm level)	Repeat
Rest Position; gently sway head	
Strum & Swing (Pinky over High Dot)	
Rest Position; bend knees	2.6
Violin Posture Drill	Y other
Right hand Pizz. Circles	



Teaching the Violin and Viola: Creating a Healthy Foundation

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How to Build a Pinky House



1.

Cut a strip of tape about 2 inches in length.



2.

Fold a third of the tape (lengthwise) over, sticky side onto sticky side. Now, one side is simultaneously sticky and smooth.



3.

Cut another strip about the same length and cut it in half lengthwise.



4.

Wrap the sticky/ smooth tape into a ring small enough to fit around the tip of your pinky, sticky side facing out.



5.

Attach the thin strip where the ring attaches to itself. Do the same on the other side.



6.

Attach the pinky house to the frog of the bow, sticky sides of the ring flattening against the top. A pen or marker can serve as a substitute.