**Play the Violin** Music



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### WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

Learning to play and tune a violin is a fun activity. It expresses individual creative and musical talent. It can be enjoyed by the one playing as well as others who are listening nearby. Violin lessons are accessible throughout Ontario.

### TIME

Violin lessons typically take up to 30 min to 1 hour per lesson. The time may depend on whether it is a group or individual lesson.

## MATERIALS

- (required) A violin (\$200+ approximately)
- (required) Lessons (\$40+ per lesson approximately)
- (required) Violin lesson books/workbooks (\$10+ approximately)
- (optional) metronome (\$30+ approximately)
- (optional) tuner (\$20 approximately)
- (optional) Notebook (\$5.00+ approximately)
- (optional): Pen/Pencil (\$2.00+ approximately

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Decide on how you would like to get violin lessons. Lessons can be offered in-person, virtually or you can self-teach by using YouTube videos and reading violin lesson books and workbooks.

2. Decide if you want the teacher to come to you or if you want to travel to their location.

3. Decide if you want a private teacher or be connected to a music school.

4. Determine how you will budget and pay for lessons. Note: Passport funding may be able to assist with covering the cost of music lessons.

5. Choose a music school or instructor. Read online reviews/student successes and see if they offer the services you require. Ensure it is in a location that you can easily get to via city transportation, driving or walking.



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5. Set a date/time for your lessons. Ensure that the instructor or school has the availability to accommodate your schedule and preferred times/dates.

6. Follow up with the instructor about any required materials. Make a note and purchase them, if necessary.

7. Register and pay for the lessons. You can pay one class at a time or pay for multiple classes at once.

8. Ensure that your family/friends or support group is aware of your lesson time so that they can provide support and respect your time.

9. Attend the lesson on the day of, follow the instructions from the teacher, and have fun.

10. Set a time to practice your violin when you are not receiving in-class instruction.

### RESOURCES

- where to buy a violin in northern ontario Search (bing.com)
- <u>Ottawa Music Store Information | Long & McQuade (long-mcquade.com)</u>
- Violin Lessons Toronto | Local Violin Teachers for Kids (elitemusic.ca)
- Teachers and Rates | Select an Academy Teacher (canadamusicacademy.ca)
- <u>https://www.beethovenathome.com/Violin-Lessons/Timmins-Ontario-Violin-Teachers.php</u>

#### **SUPPORTS NEEDED**

This task can be completed individually with minimal supports. 1:1 supports may be required if the individual needs assistance getting to and from lessons as well as following through with practice sessions or completing violin take home theory work.

### **OTHER THINGS TO NOTE:**

Note: Violins may not be provided for the lesson or there may be a limited available supply at a music school. It is a good idea to reserve any available violins for your lesson in advance. Violins typically come in eight different sizes as well. It is a good idea to rent or purchase one that fits your arm length