

BOWED STRINGS SYLLABUS

Set Pieces & Alternatives for Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass

VIOLIN

Competition / level	Set Pieces 2027
Beginner Violin Under 18 months; age 5–10	Get Aboard <i>Fiddle Time Starters — K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Under 9 Violin	Rocking Horse <i>Fiddle Time Joggers — K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Under 11 Violin	Clear Skies <i>Fiddle Time Sprinters — K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Under 13 Violin	Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho <i>Solo Time for Violin, Book 1 — arr. K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Under 15 Violin	Sugar with Cinnamon <i>Solo Time for Violin, Book 2 — arr. K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Under 18 Violin	Puck, Op. 71 No. 3 — Grieg <i>Solo Time for Violin, Book 3 — arr. K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>

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Junior Viola Not yet completed Grade 3	Prelude from Te Deum — Charpentier <i>Viola Time Runners — K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Intermediate Viola Grade 3 to below Grade 6	Chanson favorite d'Henri IV — Anon. <i>Time Pieces for Viola, Vol. 2 — ABRSM</i>
Senior Viola Minimum Grade 6	Mack the Knife — Weill <i>More Time Pieces for Viola, Vol. 2 — ABRSM</i>

CELLO

The cello structure is already strongly grade-based, so the aim here is to retain those bands while refreshing the repertoire and keeping the pieces attractive to young players.

Competition / level	Set Pieces 2027
Beginner Cello Not yet completed Grade 2	Poco adagio — Haydn <i>More Time Pieces for Cello, Vol. 1 — ABRSM</i>
Junior Cello Not yet completed Grade 4	Carnival Jig <i>Cello Time Sprinters — K. & D. Blackwell (OUP)</i>
Intermediate Cello Not yet completed Grade 6	Waltz from The Sleeping Beauty — Tchaikovsky <i>Cello Exam Pieces from 2024, Grade 5 — ABRSM</i>
Senior Cello Minimum Grade 6	Busybody — Ailbhe McDonagh <i>It's a Cello Thing, Book 2 — Boosey & Hawkes</i>

DOUBLE BASS

Competition / level	Set Pieces 2027
Beginner Double Bass Not yet completed Grade 2	Heffalump Dance — Emery & Dalby <i>Bass is Best! Yorke Mini-Bass Book 1</i>
Junior Double Bass Not yet completed Grade 4	Menuet de Poitou — Louis Couperin <i>Time Pieces for Double Bass, Vol. 1</i> — ABRSM
Intermediate Double Bass Not yet completed Grade 6	Autumn, Op. 18 No. 3 — Fauré <i>Time Pieces for Double Bass, Vol. 2</i> — ABRSM
Senior Double Bass Minimum Grade 6	Rondo: Allegro from Concerto in D — Capuzzi <i>Capuzzi: Concerto in D (Yorke or equivalent)</i>