

**Orchestra homework assignment**

**Unit 1 – The Basics (White Belt), violin & viola**

Watch lessons 1-3 in the White Belt unit at <https://www.string-samurai.com>, on the 'Video Lessons' page, and answer these questions. Make sure to watch the videos for your instrument!

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*Lesson 1*

1) Why is a relaxed technique important when playing an instrument?

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2) What angle should violins and violas be held at?

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*Lesson 2*

3) Where should your finger touch the string for pizzicato?

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*Lesson 3*

4) What can cause a "thunk" sound instead of a ringing tone?

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5) Why does the wrist need to hang down, in line with the forearm and away from the neck of the instrument?

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