



Musicfest Strings

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Grades 3-5

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3. Name the four instrument families: _____

4. Name two composers the quartet introduced in the presentation:

5. What is the difference between the violin and the viola? _____

6. What does “vibrato” mean? _____

7. What are dynamics? _____

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a.

b.

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a. deeper/lower

b. higher



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Grades 3-5 Answer Guide

1. How many instruments are in a string quartet? **Four.**
2. What instruments are in a woodwind quartet?
Two violins, a viola and a cello.
3. Name the four instrument families: **woodwinds, brass, strings, percussion.**
4. Name one composer the quartet introduced in the presentation:
Acceptable answers: Debussy, Mozart, Haydn, Shostakovich
5. What is the difference between the violin and the viola?
The viola is larger than the violin, and has a deeper sound. The violin has strings G, D, A, and E. The viola has strings C, G, D, and A.
6. What does “vibrato” mean? **Vibrate.**
7. What are dynamics? **Simply: the volume at which a pitch is played; loudness or softness.**
8. Explain “call and response”: **Two musical phrases where the second phrase is in response to the first; a musical communication.**
9. Name two classical music eras:
 - a. Classical
 - b. Romantic**Also acceptable: Baroque, 20th Century**
10. The bigger the instrument, the _____ the sound.
Deeper/lower.