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Series 3 Children's Songs Book B



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Abbreviations:

ECS	English Children's Song
EFS	English Folksong
DV	David Vinden

A Brief Introduction to the Colourstrings Symbols

Colours: **blue colour** represents A string

orange colour represents D string **green colour** represents G string

red colour represents C string

A string fingerings: ? 1 2 3

D string fingerings: ? 1 2 3 4

G string fingerings: ? 1 2 3 4

C string fingerings: ? 1 2 3 4

lower in pitch: 1↓ 1↓

higher in pitch: 21 41

extension between fingers: -

e.g. 1— 21

Positions:

- Half position
- 1st position
- 2nd position
- 3rd position
- =3 4th position
 - 5th position
 - 6th position
 - 7th position

1 Circled finger number indicates change of position.

Basic (suggested) positions and fingerings are normally written **above** the stave.
Alternative positions and fingerings are written **below** the stave.

Example:





The Bird position

(Thumb position one octave higher than the open string)

The Moon position

(Thumb position one octave and a perfect fifth higher than the open string)

The Sun position

(Thumb position two octaves higher than the open string)

The parts of the bow (bow division):

- point/tip of the bow
- → lower half of the bow
- upper half of the bow
- <→ whole bow

Relative Solmisation:

DO RE MIFA SO LA TIDO'

DO is the tonic of the major.

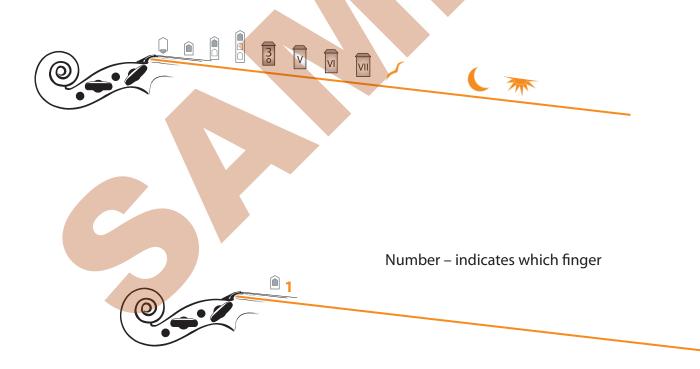
LA is the tonic of the minor.

How do we read the Colourstrings notation?

Colour tells us which string to play on

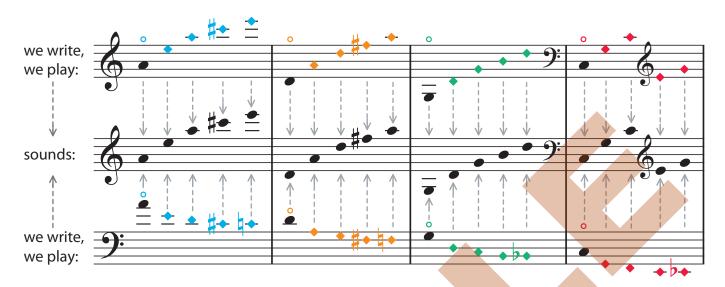


Position symbol – where to place the left hand

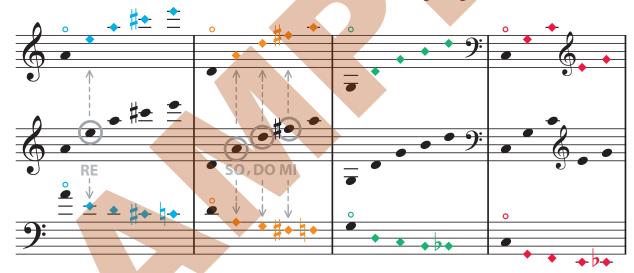


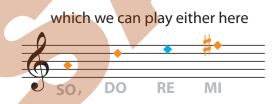
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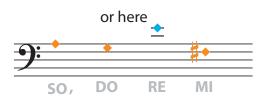
How do the 'magic notes' (harmonics) work?



Then we select the notes needed in the following song







and equip them with our Colourstrings position symbols and fingerings.

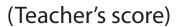






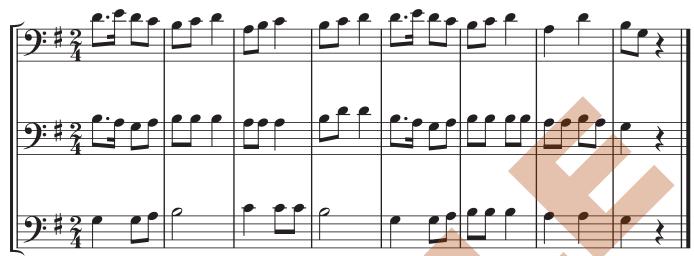


Quodlibet













Bowing can be added by the teacher



Ding dong bell, pussy's in the well.
Who put her in? Little Johnny Green.
Who pulled her out? Little Tommy Stout.
What a naughty boy was that, to drown poor pussy cat,
who ne'er did any harm, but killed all the mice in the farmer's barn.



