String Orchestra Tuning Track

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This 3½ minute MP3 file makes it easy for your students to tune their string instruments, even when they do not feel very confident in their tuning skills.

A multi-octave tuning pitch is given for each open string in the following order: A, D, G, C, E.

The organ tone is played for two measures at a time, followed by two measures of string tone.

Students listen and/or sing the pitch during the first organ tone, then play during the string tone, listening to see if their string matches the pitch.

During the subsequent organ tone they have two measures to adjust their strings higher or lower using their fine tuning adjusters (or tuning pegs if they are more skilled or lack fine tuning adjusters).

Students get three chances to make adjustments to each string in order to match the given pitch before moving on to the next string.

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