

How to Recognize Intervals!

Part 2

Interval	Example	Number of half steps	Beginning of song	Can you think of any other examples?
Minor 2nd m2	On violin/viola: • Open string to low 1 • 1st finger to low 2 • high 2 to 3rd finger • high 3 to 4th finger • high 4th finger to next open string up On piano: B up to C E up to F C up to C#	1	Essential Elements Book 1 #12: Lift Off Essential Elements Book 1 #13: On the Trail Essential Elements Book 1 #18: Morning Dance Andantino (Suzuki Violin & Viola Book 1) French Folk Song (Suzuki Viola Book 1) Bohemian Folk Song (Suzuki Viola Book 1) Beethoven – Minuet in G (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 2) Ode to Joy (Essential Elements Book 1 #86; original version from the Ninth Symphony) Waltz from Sleeping Beauty Sixteen Going on Seventeen from The Sound of Music Danny Boy	

Major 2nd M2	On violin/viola: • Open string to 1st finger • 1st finger to high 2nd finger • 2nd finger to high 3rd finger • 3rd finger to 4th finger • 4th finger to 1st finger on the next string up On piano: D up to E G up to A	2	Essential Elements Book 1 #70: Hot Cross Buns Essential Elements Book 1 #19: Rolling Along Essential Elements Book 1 #20: Good King Wenceslas Song of the Wind (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Go Tell Aunt Rhody (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Little Lost Kitty (pages 44-45 in yellow Faber piano book) Monsieur Mouse (pp. 48-49 in yellow Faber piano book) Do-Re-Mi from The Sound of Music Happy Birthday	
Minor 3rd m3	On violin/viola: • Open string to low 2 • 1st finger to 3rd finger • 2nd finger to 4th finger or higher open string On piano: B up to D E up to G C up to E ♭	3	Rain, Rain, Go Away Essential Elements Book 1 #21: Seminole Chant Lightly Row (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1, Essential Elements Book 1 #22) O Come, Little Children (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Raccoon's Lullaby (pp. 50-51 in yellow Faber piano book)	

Major 3rd M3	On violin/viola: • Open string to high 2 • 3rd finger to 1st finger on the next string up • 1st finger to high 3rd finger On piano: C up to E G up to B	4	Essential Elements Book 1 #45: Christopher's Tune Essential Elements Book 1 #75: Two By Two Essential Elements Book 1 #81: Michael Row the Boat Ashore May Song (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Brahms – Waltz (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 2) Ashokan Farewell Beethoven Fifth Symphony Oh When the Saints Go Marching In	
Perfect 4th P4	On violin/viola: • Open string to 3rd finger • 1st finger to 4th finger or higher open string On piano: E up to A D up to G	5	Allegro (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) The Happy Farmer (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Hunter's Chorus (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 2) The Two Grenadiers (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 2) Gavotte from Mignon (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 2) Jungle Wedding (pp. 64-65 in yellow Faber piano book) Star Wars Main Theme	

			Hedwig's Theme from Harry Potter Amazing Grace	
augmented 4th or diminished 5th 4 ⁺ or 5 ^o	On violin/viola: • Open string to high 3 • Low 2 to 1st finger on the next string up • High 2 to low 2 on the next string up On piano: F up to B B up to F C up to F [♯] or G [♭]	6	Lully – Gavotte (Suzuki Violin & Viola Book 2, measure 7) Front door and Back door of the 3 Black Bears' house on piano (F and B) “Toot, toot, toot!” in Birthday Train (p. 69 in yellow Faber piano book)	
Perfect 5th P5	On violin/viola: • One open string to the next open string • Open string On piano: C up to G E down to A A down to D D down to G G down to C	7	Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Minuet 3 (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Lully – Gavotte (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 2, first two notes) My Favorite Things from The Sound of Music God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen	

Minor 6th m6	On violin/viola: • Open string to low 1st finger on the next string up • 1st finger to low 2 on the next string up • High 2 to 3rd finger on the next string up • High 3 to 4th finger on the next string up On piano: A up to F B up to G E up to C C up to A $\flat$	8	Across the Stars from Star Wars Last Midnight from Into the Woods The Entertainer (3rd and 4th notes)	
Major 6th M6	On violin/viola: • Open string to 1st finger on the next string up • 1st finger to 2nd finger on the next string up • Low 2 to 3rd finger on the next string up • High 2 to high 3rd finger on the next string up • 3rd finger to 4th finger on the next string up On piano:	9	Etude (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 1) Hush Little Baby The Bear Went Over the Mountain “Dashing through the snow” in Jingle Bells Princess Leia's Theme from Star Wars Music of the Night from The Phantom of the Opera	

	D up to B C up to A F up to D			
Minor 7th m7	On violin/viola: • Open string to low 2 on the next string up • 1st finger to 3rd finger on the next string up • 2nd finger to 4th finger on the next string up On piano: A up to G D up to C B up to A E up to D G up to F C up to B $\flat$	10	Somewhere from West Side Story Star Trek theme (1st and 3rd notes) Somewhere, Over the Rainbow (1st and 3rd notes)	
Major 7th M7	On violin/viola: • Open string to high 2 on the next string up • Low 1 to 3rd finger on the next string up • 1st finger to high 3 on the next string up • Low 2 to 4th finger on the next string up On piano: C up to B F up to E	11		

Octave (8th)	On violin/viola: • Open string to 3rd finger on the next string up • 1st finger to 4th finger on the next string up On piano: C up to next C D up to next D A up to next A E up to next E	12	Essential Elements Book 1 #27: Olympic High Jump Gavotte in D major (Suzuki Violin & Viola Books 3) Bohm – Perpetual Motion (Suzuki Violin Book 4) Somewhere, Over the Rainbow (1st and 2nd notes) The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire) The Lonely Goatherd from The Sound of Music Bring Him Home from Les Misérables	
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