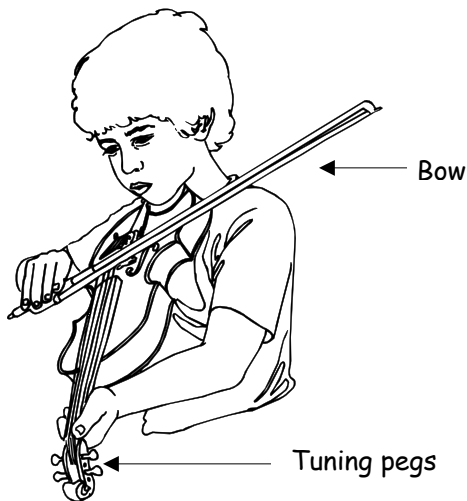


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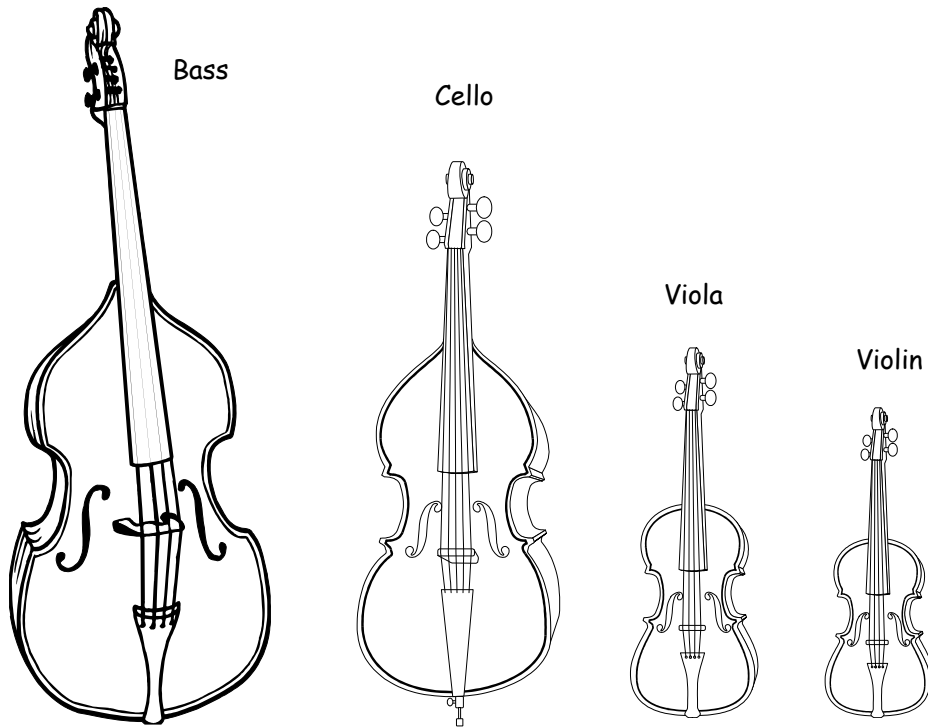
Port Angeles Symphony String Quartet

Members of the String Family (violin, viola, cello, bass) all have four strings. Each string is tuned to a different note. The four pegs at the top of the instruments allow the player to loosen or tighten the strings to keep them in tune.



The strings are stretched across a wooden box. They start to vibrate when a bow made of horsehair touches the strings. Because the horsehair is rough it catches the strings and causes them to move.

You can also make a sound by plucking the strings with your fingers.



During the video, see if you can hear higher or lower sounds because of the different sizes of the instruments.



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