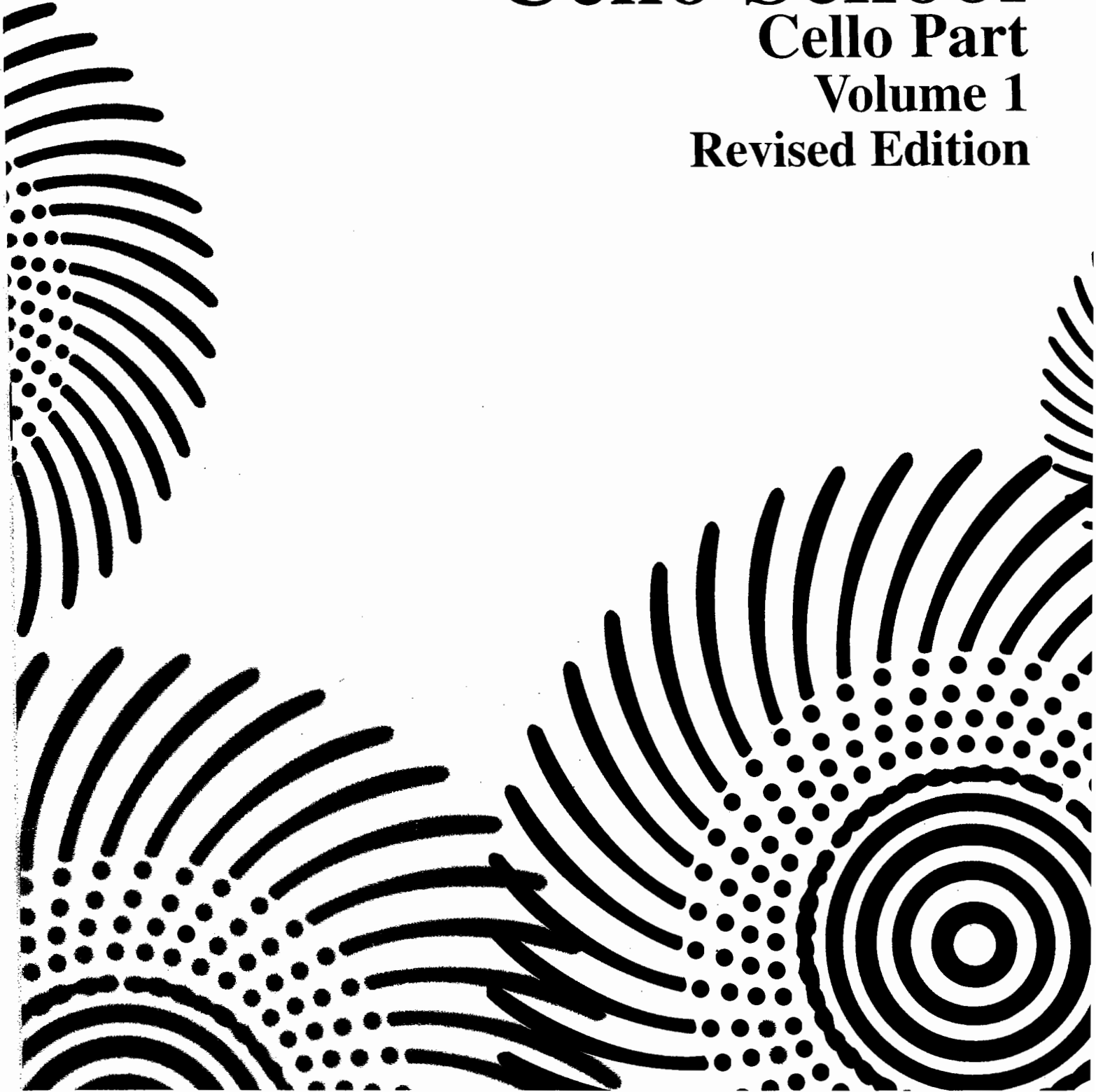


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## INTRODUCTION

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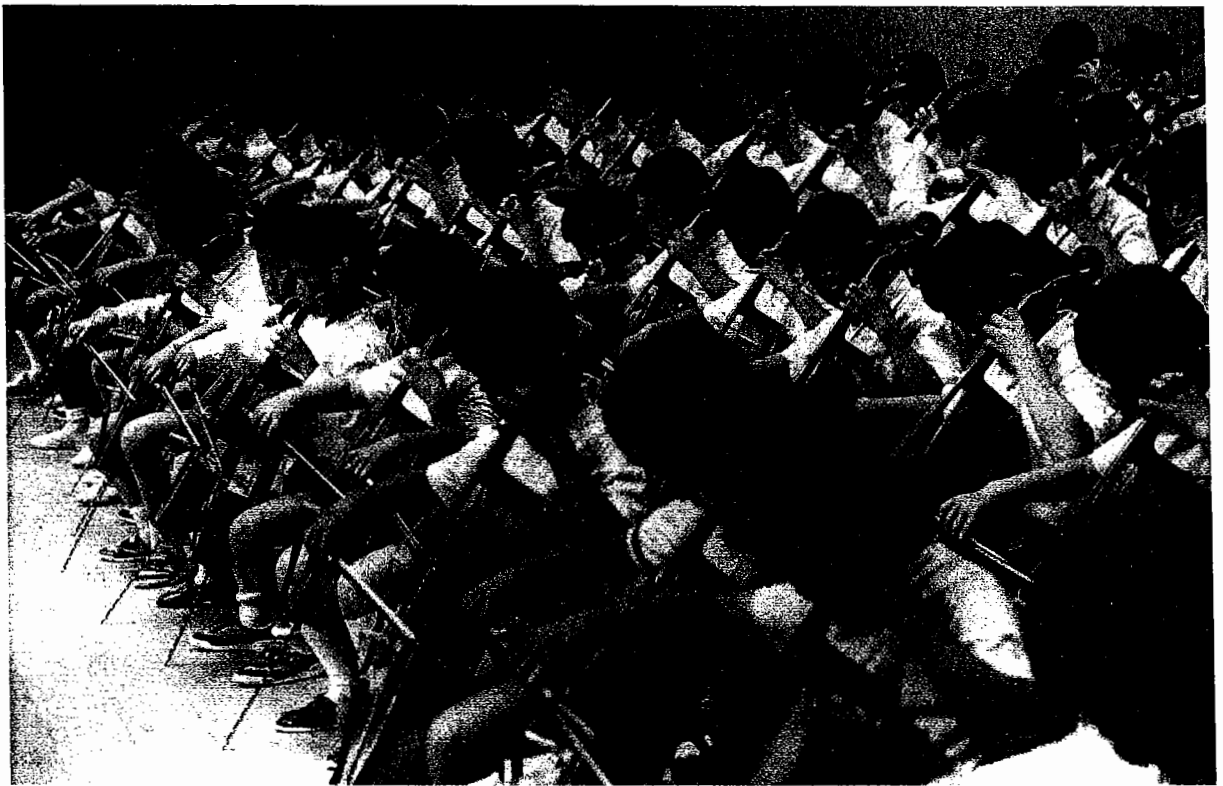


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## 学習と指導の目標

### 指導上の4つの要点

1. 子どもに、できるだけ毎日レコードを聞かせることにより音楽的感覚を向上させる。それは同時にやはり早い進歩をうながす。
2. トナリセイション、つまり美しい音の指導を、教室や家庭においてかならず行なわれなければならない。
3. 不断の注意によって、正しい音程、正しい姿勢、正しい弓の持ち方ができるように。
4. 親も先生も、子どもが家庭でたのしくしっかり練習するように努力する。

以上の4つのポイントを徹底して行なうことにより、どの子どもも音楽的才能がよく育つことを、私は30年にわたる教育の経験からはっきりと確信するようになりました。

音楽の才能は生まれつきのものでなく、育てられるものなのです。それはちょうど、日本の子どもがだれでも日本語を話し、世界中の子どもが、みなそれぞれの母国語をじょうずに話しているのと同じように、音楽もその育て方にしたがって、どの子どもにも育てられる能力であり、聞けばよく育ちます。

どうぞ子どものしあわせのために、この4つのポイントが、家庭や教室において十分成功するように指導を行なってください。

### *Four Essential Points for Teachers and Parents*

1. Children should listen to the reference recordings every day at home to develop musical sensitivity. Rapid progress depends on this listening.
2. Tonalization, or the production of a beautiful tone, should be stressed in the lesson and at home.
3. Constant attention should be given to accurate intonation, correct posture, and the proper bow hold.
4. Parents and teachers should strive to motivate children so they will enjoy practicing correctly at home.

Through the experience I have gained in teaching young children for over thirty years, I am thoroughly convinced that musical ability can be fully cultivated in all children if the above four points are faithfully observed.

Musical ability is not an inborn talent but an ability that can be developed. All children who are properly trained can develop musical ability just as all children develop the ability to speak their mother tongue. For the happiness of children, I hope these four essential points will be carefully observed and put to continual use in the home and in the studio.

*Shinichi Suzuki*

The D-string Posture is fundamental and should be completely mastered.

### Exercises for Proper D-String Posture

Place bow as on Page 5. Use a short bow stroke.

### Exercises for Changing Strings

### Exercises for Quick Placement of Fingers

Place fingers 1,2,3,4 quickly and accurately during the rests.

When playing the 4th finger, keep all four fingers down on the string.

## The First Position

The purpose of the following exercises is to play the notes accurately.  
Press the string with the tip of finger.

D String 0 1 3 4 A String 0 1 3 4

4 3 2 1 0

4 3 2 1 0

- Play the 4th finger, keeping the 1st, 2nd and 3rd fingers down on the string.  
While playing the 4th finger, think and prepare for the next position of your finger.  
Repeat on the A string.
- For half a year, at least, continue the practice of stopping the bow on the string after each note to get a clear sound.

A String 0 V 1 3

4 3 2 1 0

## D Major Scale

While playing the upper half of the scale, the 1st and the 3rd fingers should remain on the string.  
When you place the 3rd finger, place the 2nd down with it.


D 0 1 3 4 A 0 1 3 4

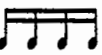
4 3 2 1 0 0 4 3 2 1 0

### *Important Instructions for Practice:*

The fingering 0 4 requires very careful practice. Stop the bow after you play open A, and be sure to place the first, second, third, and fourth fingers in the proper position on the D string before you continue to play.

# 1 Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star Variations

To play  stop the bow without pressure after each note.

Bow  smoothly.

S. Suzuki





## 2 French Folk Song

To develop the practice of tonalization

Folk Song

Moderato

1 *mf*

6

11

16

Detailed description: This piece is written in bass clef, 3/4 time, and the key of D major (two sharps). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff starts with a dynamic marking of *mf*. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-4 above the notes. The second staff begins at measure 6. The third staff begins at measure 11. The fourth staff begins at measure 16 and ends with a double bar line. The piece concludes with a fermata over the final note.

## 3 Lightly Row

Folk Song

Moderato

1 *mf*

5

9

13

Keep the 3rd finger down.

Detailed description: This piece is written in bass clef, 3/4 time, and the key of D major (two sharps). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff starts with a dynamic marking of *mf*. Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-4 above the notes. The second staff begins at measure 5. The third staff begins at measure 9 and includes a performance instruction: "Keep the 3rd finger down." with a bracket under a triplet of notes. The fourth staff begins at measure 13 and also includes a triplet of notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

# 4 Song of the Wind

Folk Song

Moderato

*mf*

Keep the 1st finger down.

1

5

10

Detailed description: The score for 'Song of the Wind' is written in bass clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 2/4 time signature. It is marked 'Moderato' and 'mf'. The first staff contains measures 1-4 with fingerings 1, 0, 1, 3, 4, 0, 1, 4, 4, 1, 0. A bracket under the first measure of the second staff is labeled '1' and includes the instruction 'Keep the 1st finger down.' The second staff contains measures 5-8 with fingerings 1, 4, 4, 1, 0, 0, 4, 4, 3, 3, 1. The third staff contains measures 9-12 with fingerings 0, 3, 0, 0, 4, 4, 3, 3, 1, 0. The piece ends with a double bar line.

# 5 Go Tell Aunt Rhody

Folk Song

Moderato

*mf*

1

5

9

Detailed description: The score for 'Go Tell Aunt Rhody' is written in bass clef with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 6/8 time signature. It is marked 'Moderato' and 'mf'. The first staff contains measures 1-4 with fingerings 1, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 1, 0, 0, 4, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 0. The second staff contains measures 5-8 with fingerings 3, 4, 0, 1, 0, 4, 3, 3, 4, 0, 1, 0. The third staff contains measures 9-12 with fingerings 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 1, 0, 0, 4, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 0. The piece ends with a double bar line.

# 6 O Come, Little Children

Folk Song

*Andante*

*mf* 3 ————— 3 —————

*cresc.*

*f*

## Tonalization

This should be taught at each lesson.

Pluck the open string and listen to the sound of the vibrating string.

*pizz.*

Play tones with the same resonance with the bow.

*arco*

Questions teachers and parents must ask every day :

Are the pupils listening to the reference record at home every day ?

Has the tone improved ?

Is the intonation correct ?

Has the proper playing posture been acquired ?

Is the bow being held correctly ?

# 7 May Song

Folk Song

**Allegro moderato**

*f*

*mf* *p*

*f* (2nd time) *poco rit.*

# 8 Allegro

S. Suzuki

*f*

*mf* *dolce* *rit.*

*a tempo* *f*

## 9 Perpetual Motion in D Major

Play this piece at the middle of the bow using a very short stroke.  
 Stop the bow after each note.  
 Play slowly at first and then gradually speed up the tempo.

S. Suzuki

**Allegro**

**A**

*mf*

### Variation

After A, play B.

**B**

Procedure for practice:

*etc.*

Transpose all previous pieces to the key of G Major in preparation for "Long, Long Ago."

### Tonalization

This should be taught at each lesson. Pupils should always strive for a more beautiful and resonant tone.

1

2

3

\* Listen for ringing sound.

### G Major Scale

## Perpetual Motion in G Major

S. Suzuki

**A** *Allegro* *mf*

*etc.*

### Variation

**B**

*etc.*      LWB-1

# 10 Long, Long Ago

T. H. Bayly

Moderato

1 *mf*

5

9 *f* *mp*

13 *mf*

# 11 Allegretto

S. Suzuki

1 *mf*

4 *mf*

8 *mf* *rit.*

12 *mf* *a tempo*

# 12 Andantino

S. Suzuki

*mf*

*f*

*mf a tempo*

*rit.*

*meno mosso*

## Second-Finger Training (Preparatory Exercise for "Rigadoon")

\* Lift third & fourth fingers together

# 13 Rigadoon

H. Purcell

Allegro

The musical score for "13 Rigadoon" is written in bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo is marked "Allegro". The piece consists of eight staves of music, with dynamics ranging from *mf* (mezzo-forte) to *f* (forte). Fingerings are indicated by numbers 1-4 and 2\* above the notes. The score includes a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests.

Staff 1: *mf*. Measures 1-4. Fingerings: 1, 4, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 0, 4, 0.

Staff 2: Measures 5-8. Fingerings: 5, 4, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 0, 4.

Staff 3: *f*. Measures 9-12. Fingerings: 1, 2\*, 4, 2\*, 1, 0, 0, 4, 0, 1.

Staff 4: Measures 13-16. Fingerings: 1, 2\*, 4, 2\*, 1, 0, 0, 1, 3, 4.

Staff 5: *mf*. Measures 17-20. Fingerings: 0, 1, 2\*, 1, 4, 0, 1, 2, 1, 0, 1, 4.

Staff 6: Measures 21-24. Fingerings: 0, 1, 2, 1, 0, 4, 1, 1, 3, 4.

Staff 7: *f*. Measures 25-28. Fingerings: 4, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 0, 4, 0.

Staff 8: Measures 29-32. Fingerings: 4, 3, 1, 0, 1, 3, 0, 4.

\* See P. 17, second finger training, for preparatory exercise using 2nd finger.

### Tonalization

This should be taught at each lesson.

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### C Major Scale

(Two Octaves)

## 14 Etude

Stop the bow after each note.

S. Suzuki

A

*mf*

### Variation

B

# 15 The Happy Farmer

Allegro giocoso

R. Schumann

1 0 4 1 4 4 2 0 2 0 4 1 2 0 0 2 1 4 0 1 3 1 0 V

5 V 0 V

9 2 1 0 2 1 0 4 0 0 4 1 4 4 2 0 2 0 4 1 V

13 2 0 0 2 1 4 0 1 0 3 4 V > V V

17 V V

# 16 Minuet in C

Grazioso

J. S. Bach

1 4 V V 2 1 2 1 0 2 1 0 1 0 1 4

5 0 mf-p V V 4 2 1 0 4 2 1 0 1 4

9 0 V V 4 3 4 0 V V 1 0 1 4

13 mf V V 2 1 0 4 3 1 0 4 3 4

17 2 V V 2 0 4 2 4 2 V V 1 4 2 1 0

21 4 V V 4 0 1 2 1 4 2 1 0 1 4

poco rit. 2nd time

# 17 Minuet No. 2

J. S. Bach

1 *f*

5

9 *f*

13

17 *p* *mf*

21


25 *f*

29 *p*

33 *f*

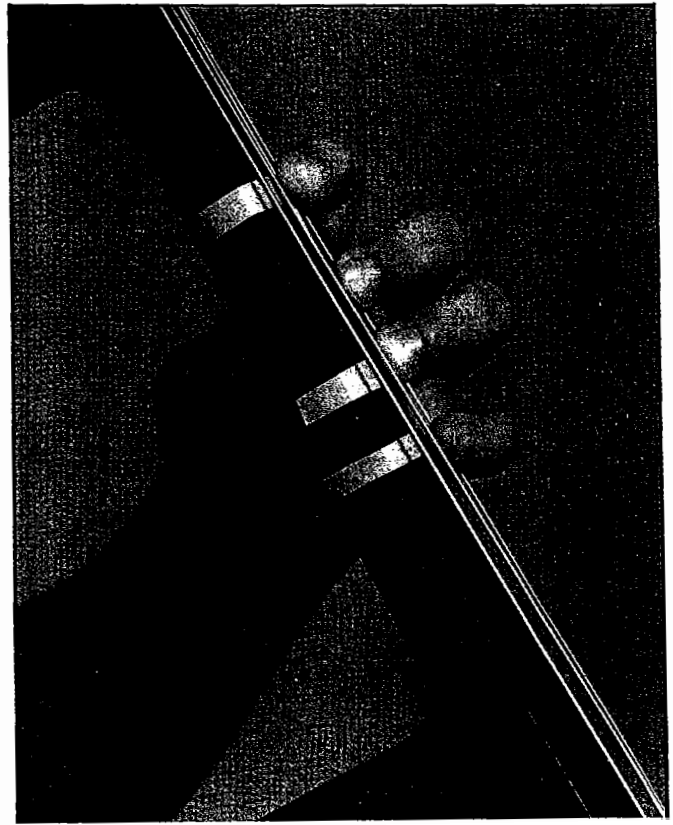
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\*  Before playing this piece see diagrams and pictures on pages 22 & 23.

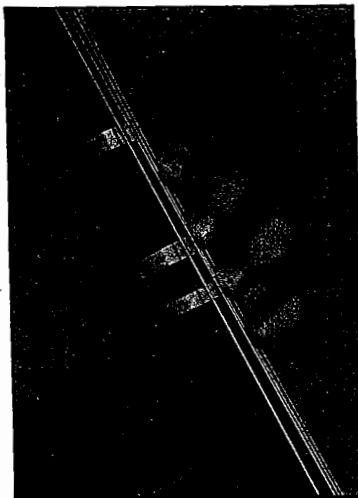
# G# Exercise

Closed First Position

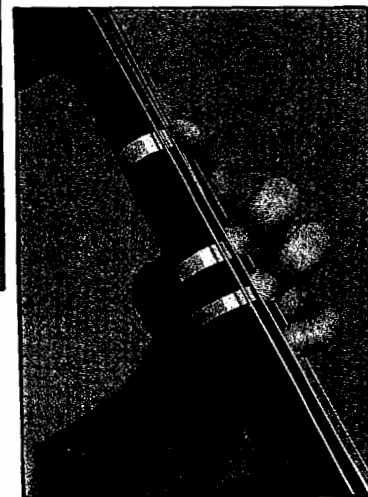




Shift



Extension



*Explanation*

Move all fingers and thumb one-half step higher. (Keep thumb under 2).

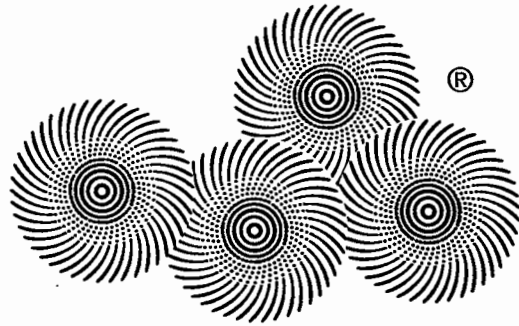
*Explanation*

Move 2, 3, 4 and thumb one-half step higher. (Keep thumb under 2). Bring elbow forward for extension.

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