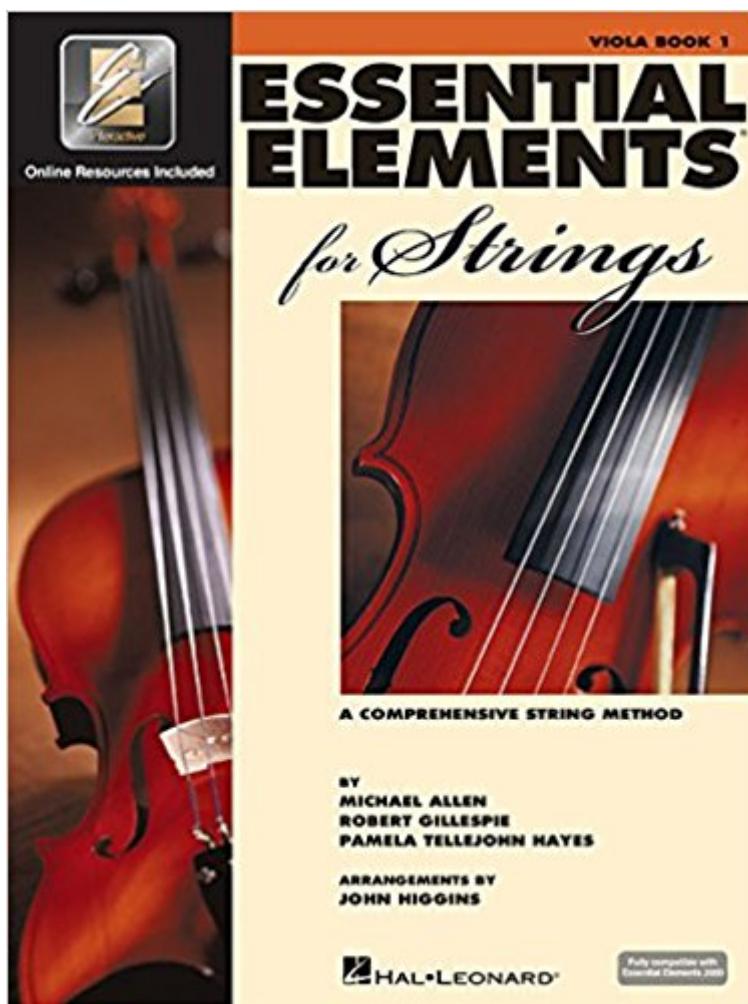


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# Essential Elements For Strings - Book 1 With EEi: Viola



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I have been playing for 5 years now. I started with guitar then mandolin, then banjo, then fiddle. I have taken many classes and lessons. I have bought a stack of terrible music instruction books.

Many Mel Bay books are ridiculous by giving sheet music and telling you 'now play this.' This book has diagrams where to place your arms, hands and finger to play notes. It also has little letters inside notes signifying what note it is. I made sheet music for myself in photoshop like this when I first started playing. It was how I learned to read standard notation. Viola is played in ALTO CLEF and the notes are in (even another place than treble or bass clef). This book is what you want.

This is a great book for someone just getting started like myself. It isn't thick so I can slip it right into my viola case without any problems, and the online resources are great. You also have the option to apply for the dvd which is like all the music to play along with and the starter videos. When I bought this book at the time I wasn't aware that there were more to the little series, but I was pleasantly surprised by that and am happy that I can continue learning to play this wonderful instrument. The one thing I will say though, is that in the beginning it is a little confusing, at least for me it was. With trying to memorize the strings and what strings made what sound, but I got it in the end.

If you are remembering how to play the viola, or for first time, these books are great. Play everyday, play with your heart, and play scales often can never hurt..

I took private viola lessons for a few months in 2012 and I got the basics down from my teacher. I moved from that city to a new one and instead of getting another private instructor I decided to pick up this book and I'm really glad I did. I've been cruising through all of the various lessons and I'm improving every day. I'm an older player (I'm in my late 20's right now), and I don't have much of a musical background besides playing guitar. I struggled with learning all of the notes and reading music, but this book made it really easy. I am now almost at the point where I automatically know which note is which, and I would say I can play a tune well enough for someone to recognize it. I'm only 1/3 of the way through this book now. If you've never played a stringed instrument before then I would recommend you get a teacher for a couple months to show you the basics and how to tune your instrument, but after that you could pick up this book and teach yourself for the most part. Even if you didn't get a teacher this book would be useful, but it would just be a much larger learning curve.

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