

## 2025/26 Violin excerpts for Hertfordshire Schools' Symphony Orchestra & County Youth Orchestra auditions

You must prepare 1 excerpt from group A, one from group B, and a 3-5 min piece of your choice. This can be accompanied or unaccompanied.

Metronome/tempo markings are an approximate guide to aim for.

### Group A

A1: Mozart: Overture "Marriage of Figaro", first 6 lines and 2 bars.

You can join up the breaks or separate with a slight pause, as you see fit.

Overture "MARRIAGE OF FIGARO"

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Presto



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A2: Brahms: Symphony No. 2, movement 1, Figure A – 1 bar after Figure B, (crotchet = 120)

A3: Haydn: Symphony No. 104 ('London' Symphony No. 7), from Allegro (minim = 100) to rehearsal mark B



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**Group B**

B1: Vaughan-Williams: Fantasia on a theme by Tallis (quaver = 112)

Please prepare both excerpt parts:

**Excerpt 1:** Largo sostenuto (♩ = 112)  
Solo  
*p cantabile*  
3  
3  
3  
3  
*poco rit.*  
3  
3  
*a tempo*  
*pp*

**Excerpt 2:**  
*sostenuto*  
Solo  
*p*  
*cresc.*  
*f sost.*  
Solo  
*p espr.*  
*pp*  
201



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B2: Tchaikovsky: Symphony No.4, movement 2, from Tempo I

rit. 2

Tempo I. V

p cantabile

mf

sf 2



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B3: Sibelius: 2<sup>nd</sup> Symphony, movement 1, (dotted minim = 80)

**Violino I**

196 *mf* *poco f*

202 *f* *più f* *sempre cresc.*

208 *poco largamente* *poco f* (v)

215 *più f* (v)

223 *mf* *cresc. possibile*

228 *M* *fff* *mf cresc. poco a poco*

234 *f* *più f* *f* (d.=d) 1



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