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Grade 1 Associated Board viola examination scales and arpeggios

Here are some resources and videos to help you with scales and arpeggio requirements for Grade 1 viola. The examination is held by the British examining board The Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music.

D Major scale and arpeggio - 1 octave
A Minor scale and arpeggio - 1 octave
G Major scale and arpeggio - 1 octave
C Major scale and arpeggio - 2 octaves

The resources will help you to:

- be reminded of the type of sound you are aiming for.
- remember which rhythm to use.
- practice slurs.
- check your tuning against a key note.
- think about patterns that occur within the notes of scales and arpeggios as well as the ones that you can feel when using your fingers on the strings.
- work aurally and kinesthetically. Follow the information in the glossary and work visually as well.

In order to help with the exam pieces, increase your listening skills and knowledge of different styles of music, I have selected some YouTube videos of tunes that some of you will learn.

Software requirements: QuickTime 7 or later versions

Other equipment that would be useful: headphones

To access:

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