

Shopping for a Violin

1. Parameters
 - a. Violin Shop
 - b. \$800 - \$10,000
2. Preparation
 - a. Budget established
 - b. Scale – covers all 4 strings
 - c. Song
 - i. Pitch range
 - ii. Articulation range
 - iii. Dynamic range
3. Criterion
 - a. Tone – open, vibrant, warm, beauty
 - b. Playability – awkward, fun, could get used to it
 - c. Condition
 - d. Age
4. Process
 - a. Tune all violins first, shoulder rest. 1 bow only
 - b. Scale on each Tone - eliminate
 - c. Song on each Tone - eliminate
 - d. Scale on each Playability - eliminate
 - e. Song on each Playability – eliminate
5. Wind up
 - a. Take home for a week
 - b. Instincts