

2nd finger notes on the violin

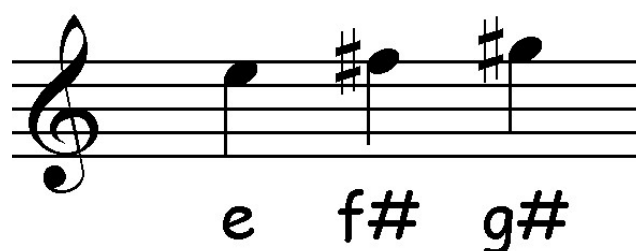
To play a note with your second finger (middle finger), use your fingertip to press down hard on the string, then use your bow to play it (just like you would to play an open string or a 1st finger note).

However, you need to press down in exactly the right place to play the note **in tune** - this means listening carefully and doing lots of practise so that your finger learns where to go!

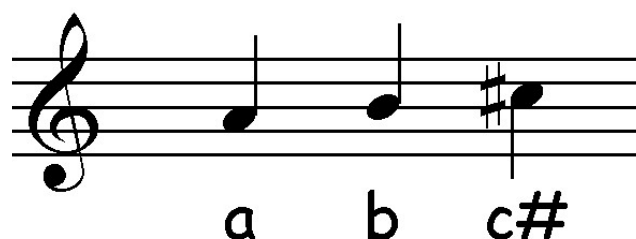
As a rough guide, you need to press down **one finger space** (about 2-3cm) away from the 1st finger. It should sound like the note is **one step higher** than the 1st finger.

The three notes you can now play on each string should sound like the first three notes in the song **Frere Jacques**:

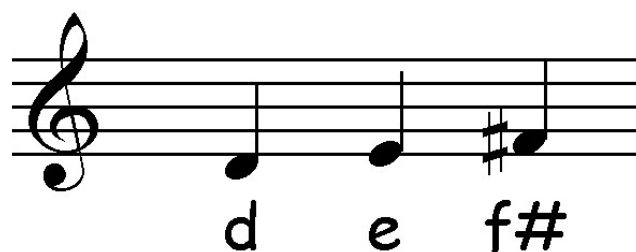
On the **E** string, the 2nd finger note is called **G#** (*G sharp*).



On the **A** string, the 2nd finger note is called **C#** (*C sharp*).



On the **D** string, the 2nd finger note is called **F#** (*F sharp*).



On the **G** string, the 2nd finger note is called **B**.

