

# Christmas & Chanukah Ensembles

**A collection of 23 holiday favorites  
that correlate with Book 1 of *Strictly Strings***

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The *Strictly Strings Christmas and Chanukah Ensembles* are correlated to specific pages in Book 1 of the *Strictly Strings* method. This collection will not only motivate beginning string students in the classroom, but will also encourage home chamber music sessions.

Each of the four instruments is divided into two parts—part A and part B. Each instrument's part A contains the melody. For the Violin and Viola, part B is a harmony line, and for the Cello and Bass, it is the bass part. This flexible format also includes a simple piano accompaniment.

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## Instrumentation

Violin	Viola	Cello	Bass
Piano Accompaniment		Conductor's Score	

# Come Little Children

Musical score for the first two measures of "Come Little Children". The key signature is D major (two sharps). The melody consists of eighth notes and sixteenth notes. The bass line provides harmonic support.

Musical score for the third and fourth measures of "Come Little Children". The key signature changes to A major (one sharp). The melody continues with eighth and sixteenth notes. The bass line remains harmonic.

Musical score for the fifth and sixth measures of "Come Little Children". The key signature changes back to D major (two sharps). The melody and bass line continue their respective patterns.

Musical score for the seventh and eighth measures of "Come Little Children". The key signature changes to G major (one sharp). The melody and bass line conclude the piece.

# Angels We Have Heard on High

**Moderato**

Musical score for the first system of "Angels We Have Heard on High". The key signature is G major (one sharp). The time signature is common time (indicated by a '4'). The vocal line starts with a quarter note G, followed by eighth notes in pairs. The piano accompaniment consists of eighth-note chords. The vocal line continues with D7, G, D, G, and D7, G. Dynamics include *f-p* (fortissimo-pianissimo) and *f* (forte).

Musical score for the second system of "Angels We Have Heard on High". The vocal line begins with G, Emi, Ami, D7, G, C, and D7. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with eighth-note chords.

Musical score for the third system of "Angels We Have Heard on High". The vocal line continues with G, D, G, C, G, D, G (measured 11), Emi, Ami, and D7. The piano accompaniment maintains the harmonic progression.

Musical score for the fourth system of "Angels We Have Heard on High". The vocal line concludes with G, C, D7, G, D, G, and G. The piano accompaniment provides the final harmonic closure.