



# Music Ed Insights



## Four Insights to take with you from... **Smart String Teaching with Grace Law**

**Beginners need you to keep things simple to make them clear.**

### **Language strategies:**

- Talk about what to do, rather than what to avoid.
- Avoid using fun terms for bad techniques.
- Talk about the root cause rather than the visible outcome.
- Instead of “warm up,” say “skill development time.”

**When working with beginners, demonstrating proficiency can be very overwhelming. Instead, use step by step images.**

**Avoid mnemonic devices like GBDF A, because they can make music theory seem random.**