

Suzuki Kids Listen Ahead + Listen Back

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Suzuki students learn by listening to all advanced books ahead, + listening to our earlier books. We learn the new music by ear + feel, listening like watering seeds. We retain the earlier music by keeping it in the ear, like watering a plant you already have. We keep playing "old" songs, while adding "new" songs. "Make new friends, + keep the old; one is silver + the other is gold".

When we hear what we've already played, the brain + nervous system for the actual playing are activated, almost like really playing. When we hear what we've not yet played, the brain is still activated, more if we've already played a lot, as patterns + structures in all pieces may exist in common. Hearing the earlier pieces helps us learn new pieces, as well as keep the earlier. Hearing advanced pieces way ahead puts them in mind + feel, + prepares the body for ease of playing.

Habits of daily listening to the current learning material, also listening ahead to new pieces, + listening back to former study pieces, along with happy social environment at lessons + recitals, give ease + enthusiasm for long lives of music learning.