

GOOD PRACTICE IDEAS – 2017

Groups A & B in Performance Masterclasses #1 shared excellent ideas for practice!

Clara: Remember to Breathe and Relax

Mia: Practice right after your lesson. You will remember more of what you learned!

David: Use a mute when practicing late at night so there are no noise complaints.

Lynelle: Never practice on an empty stomach!

Crystal: Practice with a metronome.

Audrey: Don't leave your phone in the practice room.

John: At the beginning of your warm up, play long bows to facilitate fluid bow changes.

Cady: Warm up with finger placement exercises.

Brooke: Video yourself. Replay and observe – often an eye opening experience!

Jason: To work out tricky passages, try playing in a different style, e.g. for a heavy spiccato passage, try playing with long smooth bows. Change it up. When you go back to playing as printed, it will be improved.

Isabella: Practice music in different styles (like Jason) Great minds think alike! 😊

Tyler: 1. Even when your music is in good shape, play it slowly in practice.
2. For fast passages, practice using various rhythms.