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2) The bow is made out of ______________ and ______________.

3) Fingers press down on the string against the ______________.

4) Can you label the 4 strings of the cello below?

5) Mike mentioned two types of bowing—legato and spiccato—how do they sound different?
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Cello

Vocabulary

- **String Family**: The String Family is the largest family in the entire orchestra consisting of the violin, viola, cello, and double bass
- **Legato**: in a smooth flowing manner, without breaks between notes
- **Spiccato**: a bowing technique in which the bow bounces lightly upon the string
- **Minuet**: a slow ballroom dance in three
- **Composer**: a person who writes music
- **Bowing**: the technique of managing the bow in playing a stringed instrument

**Further Listening:**

Hear cellist Yo-Yo Ma play the
Saint-Saëns *Carnival of the Animals, The Swan*
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3qrKjywjo7Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3qrKjywjo7Q)
and the Bach *Cello Suite No. 1 in G Major*
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rGgG-0lOJjk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rGgG-0lOJjk)

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1) The Cello is a member of the String Family. When were string instruments first made? **1500s**

2) The bow is made out of ____ wood ____ and ____ horse hair. ____

3) Fingers press down on the string against the ____ fingerboard ____.

4) Can you label the 4 strings of the cello below?

![String Labeling](image)

5) Mike mentioned two types of bowing—legato and spiccato—how do they sound different? Think about how fast and slow the bow was. Were the notes separated or smooth?

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