

Is Your Instrument Holding You Back?

How to tell if you need a better instrument:

1. Your private teacher tells you you've outgrown your current instrument.
2. Your orchestra director makes you use a school instrument.
3. Your soundpost was down for 3 months before anyone noticed.
4. Your parents bought it off the Internet after your 5th grade year.
5. Your tone has been described as "kazoo-like".
6. Your parents still make you practice in the garage.
7. You don't get picked for string quartets....ever.
8. Your Grandpa made it from a tree in his backyard.
9. The dog howls when you play.
10. After your sister sat on it your Dad repaired it with Super Glue.
11. Before contest your teacher makes you rosin your bow with soap.
12. A thief stole everything in the car but left your violin.
13. Your instrument's "Buy It Now!" price was lower than your I.Q.
14. Your judge at Solo & Ensemble contest tells you:
 - "Next time use your good violin."
 - "Your teacher lets you play on that?"
 - "Well, I've never heard anything like that before!"
15. The other kids laugh at you when you take it out of the flour sack.
16. It is either blue or pink.
17. You have to tune it with a pair of pliers.
18. When you tell your teacher you broke a string , he says it doesn't matter.
