



## The Boy and the Violin

- Introduce your students to the story of *The Boy and the Violin* found at this [link](#).
- The music from this *Once Upon a Symphony* production can be found on [Spotify](#) and [YouTube](#). Explore how the music brings the story to life:
  - Brincadeira from String Quartet No. 1 by Heitor Villa Lobos
    - This piece sets the scene of an idyllic farm located in the Brazilian countryside.
    - This piece also accompanies the boy, Nando, as he sets off on his journey into the Brazilian Rainforest.
  - Canto Lirico from String Quartet No. 1 by Heitor Villa Lobos
    - This music expresses Papi's love for his son, Nando.
    - This piece also illustrate Nando's bravery and resiliency.
  - Melancolia from String Quartet No. 1 by Heitor Villa Lobos
    - This music expresses the lonely feelings Nando has after he sells his family's farm and only has his Gato (cat) left as a companion.
    - This piece helps Nando realize that music can be comforting when feeling lonely.
  - String Trio in Bb Major, Op. 53, No. 2 by Joseph Haydn
    - This music expresses the boy's love for the violin—the one that belonged to his mother.
    - This lively piece provides the inspiration for the animals to come out of the rainforest to dance and laugh with the boy because he plays beautiful music on his violin. This piece celebrates the joy of music.