INSTRUMENTS OF THE ORCHESTRA 3 solution

The answers to four of the clues are instruments of the orchestra. The answers to the other two clues are a method of playing the instruments and the family of instruments to which they belong.

If you answer each clue correctly and write the answers into the boxes reading across the page, the letters in the **bold** boxes read from top to bottom will tell you the title given to the chief player in an orchestra.

			1	V	I	O	**L**	I	N	
					2	C	**E**	L	L	O
		3	V	I	O	L	**A**			
4	P	L	U	C	K	E	**D**			
	5	D	O	U	B	L	**E**	B	A	S	S
				6	S	T	**R**	I	N	G

1. This instrument is played by the largest section in the orchestra. The section is divided into two groups. Famous makers of this instrument include Amati, Stradivari and Guarneri.
2. This instrument is played sitting down and is held between the player's knees. A long metal spike anchors the instrument and stops it sliding over the floor.
3. This is the only orchestral instrument to play music written in the alto clef.
4. Sometimes players will see the instruction “pizzicato” or “pizz.” written above a section of the music. What is the English meaning of “pizzicato”?
5. The largest and lowest-sounding member of this family. It is taller than a person and wider than a wheelbarrow! The player perches on a high stool.
6. The family of instruments which are usually played with a bow.