

Tunebook

Four Miniatures

For open instrumentation

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Notes

This piece is designed to give the performers as much freedom in interpretation as possible. Each miniature can be played by any instrument, including voice. Octaves can be displaced. I have suggested a piano for II, but this is only a suggestion and performers are free to choose any instruments they wish.

It is also suggested that I, 'Fracking Garrard', be repeated by another player to demonstrate that a different interpretation effectively creates a new piece of music.

Symbols

(numbers 1,2, and 3 are loosely borrowed from Gyorgy Kurtag's *Kafka-Fragmente*, op. 24)

1. Small slurs (I and III) = an indeterminate short pause
2. Large slurs (I and III) = an indeterminate medium pause
3. Large 'fermatas' (I and III) = an indeterminate long pause
4. Dotted hairpins over tremolandi (III and IV) = indicate slowing down and speeding up tremolandi.
5. Small notes (I) = relative rhythmic speeds. Although I have given rhythmic values, these are only suggestions; a player may adapt these speeds at their discretion.
6. Plain expression markings = as with the small notes, these are suggested relative volume levels.

*Note to Examiners: I have included MIDI recording of numbers II and IV. My notation software is not able to accurately recreate the sounds of numbers I and III.

I

Fracking Garrard

For one instrument

Ad Libitum, Moderately Slow
As sustained as possible

The musical score is written for a single instrument in treble clef. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a dynamic of *p* and a *pppp* section. The second staff starts at measure 6 with a *molto rit.* marking and includes dynamics of *mp*, *pp*, and *mf*. The third staff starts at measure 8 with a *f* dynamic and a *rit.* marking. The fourth staff starts at measure 9 with a *pppp* dynamic and a series of crescendo and decrescendo markings: *pp* < *f* > *mp* > *pp*, followed by *mp* and *pp*. The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, ties, and dynamic markings.

p *pppp* *p* *pppp* *p* *pppp*

6 *molto rit.* *mp* *pp* *mf* *p*

8 *f* *mp* *pp* *rit.*

9 *pppp* *pp* < *f* > *mp* > *pp* *mp* *pp* *rit.*

II

Snow in the Dark and The Church of the Epiphany

For one polyphonic instrument (preferably piano)

Chanting, Muddy

♩. = 66 - 68

right hand slightly louder

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The right staff (treble clef) contains a melody with notes G4, A4, Bb4, C5, D5, E5, F5, G5, A5, Bb5, C6, D6, E6, F6, G6, A6, Bb6, C7, D7, E7, F7, G7, A7, Bb7, C8, D8, E8, F8, G8, A8, Bb8, C9, D9, E9, F9, G9, A9, Bb9, C10, D10, E10, F10, G10, A10, Bb10, C11, D11, E11, F11, G11, A11, Bb11, C12, D12, E12, F12, G12, A12, Bb12, C13, D13, E13, F13, G13, A13, Bb13, C14, D14, E14, F14, G14, A14, Bb14, C15, D15, E15, F15, G15, A15, Bb15, C16, D16, E16, F16, G16, A16, Bb16, C17, D17, E17, F17, G17, A17, Bb17, C18, D18, E18, F18, G18, A18, Bb18, C19, D19, E19, F19, G19, A19, Bb19, C20, D20, E20, F20, G20, A20, Bb20, C21, D21, E21, F21, G21, A21, Bb21, C22, D22, E22, F22, G22, A22, Bb22, C23, D23, E23, F23, G23, A23, Bb23, C24, D24, E24, F24, G24, A24, Bb24, C25, D25, E25, F25, G25, A25, Bb25, C26, D26, E26, F26, G26, A26, Bb26, C27, D27, E27, F27, G27, A27, Bb27, C28, D28, E28, F28, G28, A28, Bb28, C29, D29, E29, F29, G29, A29, Bb29, C30, D30, E30, F30, G30, A30, Bb30, C31, D31, E31, F31, G31, 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16

Faster
♩. = 78

2nd time, crescendo

f

p

11
16

6
8

23

mf

31

Right hand crescendo

p ————— *mf*

p ————— *mf*

(left hand maintains)

mf

3

38 **accel.** $\text{♩} = 102$

(both hands equal)
p subito

mf

45 2nd time, crescendo Groove

f

52

ff

For 3 instruments

Very Agitated

♩ = 88

with inst. 3

The musical score for 'The Wind' by Gustav Mahler is presented in three staves. The top staff is in 4/4 time and features a melody with dynamics *f*, *ff*, and *mf*. The middle staff is in 4/4 time and includes triplets and dynamics *f* and *ff*. The bottom staff is in 4/4 time and includes dynamics *f* and *ff*. Performance instructions include 'with inst. 1', 'with inst. 2', and 'with inst. 3'. The score is marked with various musical notations such as accents, slurs, and articulation marks.

3

Tutti

Attacca

Tutti

Attacca

Tutti

Attacca

3

ff

mf

ff

ff

Tutti

3

Attacca

Tutti

3

Attacca

Tutti

3

Attacca

5

IV

The Night Martyn Harry Stole Brahms's Beard

For Three Instruments

With resignation

♩ = 74

Musical score for three instruments (Treble, Treble, Bass) in 4/4 time, marked *With resignation* and tempo $\text{♩} = 74$. The score includes dynamic markings *mp* and *p*, and the instruction *Tenuto*. The bass line features a *Lontano* section with a hairpin and a note: (return to faster tremolandi after each hairpin).

Musical score for three instruments (Treble, Treble, Bass) in 6/4 time, marked *Slightly Slower* and tempo $\text{♩} = 68$. The score includes dynamic markings *pp*, *p*, and *pp*, and a hairpin. The section begins at measure 10.