



# Learn Grade 5 Theory

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## PERFORMANCE DIRECTIONS

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# TERMS AND SIGNS FOR SPECIFIC INSTRUMENTS

## STRINGS AND BRASS

con sordini (con sord.) with mutes

senza sordini (senza sord.) without mutes

## STRINGS

arco play with the bow (used after pizzicato sign)



'Up' bow



'Down' bow



Slur - notes are to be played in one stroke of the bow.

For other instruments, play smoothly.

pizzicato plucked

sul G play on the G string

sul ponticello play near the bridge

## PIANO

una corda

press the left pedal

tre corda

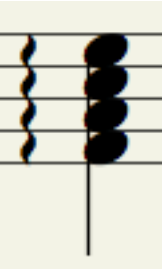
release the left pedal



Press the right pedal down.



Lift the right pedal up.



Arpeggiation - Play notes of the chord in quick succession from the bottom to the top.

mano

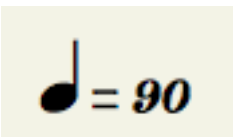
hand

m.s. (mano sinistra)

left hand

m.d. (mano destra)

right hand



Metronome marking.

In this example, there are 90 crotchets in a minute.

## ITALIAN TERMS

allargando	broadening (of dynamic and tempo)
allegro	quick
allegretto	quick but not as quick as 'allegro'
andante	at a medium walking pace
animato	animated, lively
assai	very
assez	enough
attacca	go straight on to the next section of music
brio	bright
calando	dying away
cantabile	in a singing style
cantando	singing
con	with
crescendo	gradually getting louder
diminuendo	gradually getting softer
dolce	soft and sweet
dolente	sad, mournful
dolore	grief (doloroso: sorrowful)
doppio movimento	twice as fast
e	and
espressivo	expression
estinto	as soft as possible, lifeless
giocoso	jokingly
grazioso	gracefully
incalzando	getting quicker
lacrimoso	sad

## ITALIAN TERMS

largo	slow
adagio	slow
grave	slow
lento	slow
legato	smoothly
loco	at the normal pitch (used to cancel an 8va)
lunga	long (lunga pausa: long pause)
lusingando	coaxing, in a sweet and persuasive style
ma non troppo	but not too much
misura	measure (alla misura: in strict time; senza misura; in free time)
moderato	at a moderate speed
molto	much, many, a lot of, very
morendo	dying away
moto, mosso	movement
ossia	or, alternatively
perdendosi	dying away
piacevole	pleasant
piangevole	plaintive, in the style of a lament
pochettino, poch.	rather little
poco	little
presto	fast
prestissimo	very fast
rallentando (rall.)	gradually getting slower
ritardando (rit.)	gradually getting slower

## ITALIAN TERMS

rinforzando, rf, rfz	reinforcing (tempo and dynamic)
rubato	freedom of time
scherzando	playful
sempre	always
seque	go straight on
smorzando, smorz	dying away in tone and speed
sostenuto	sustained
sotto voce	in an undertone
sord. sordini	mutes
con sord.	with mutes (piano: muted pedal)
sfz. sforzando	accent
teneramente, tenerezza	tenderly, tenderness
ten. (tenuto)	held back
tosto	swift, rapid (too much)
vivace	lively
volante	flying, fast

## GERMAN TERMS

aber	but
Ausdruck	expression
bewegt	with movement, agitated
breit	broad, expansive
ein	a, one
einfach	simple
etwas	somewhat, rather
fröhlich	cheerful, joyful
immer	always
langsam	slow
lebhaft	lively
mässig	at a moderate speed
mit	with
nicht	not
ohne	without
ruhig	peaceful
schnell	fast
sehr	very
süss	sweet
traurig	sad
und	and
voll	full
wieder	again
zu	to, too

## FRENCH TERMS

animé	animated, lively
assez	enough, sufficiently
avec	with
cédez	yield, relax the speed
douce	soft and sweet
doucement	softly and sweetly
en dehors	let the melody sing out
et	and
légèrement	lightly
lent	slow
mais	but
moins	less
modéré	at a moderate speed
non	not
peu	little
plus	more
presser	hurry
en pressant	hurrying on
ralentir	slow down
retenu	held back
sans	without
très	very
un, une	one
vif	lively
vite	quick





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