

Etude No. 9

Op. 60

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Allegretto grazioso

0 2 3 0 1 2 4 2 1 4 3 1 0 4 2 0 3 2 0

3 1 2 3 0 1 2 3 4 1 0 3 1 2 4 1 3 4

5 1 2 3 0 1 2 4 2 1 2 2 4 2 1 2 4 2

7 1 2 1 4 2 1 3 0 4 2 0 3 2 0 2 0 2 3 0 1 3 4

9 2 4 1 0 2 4 1 2 1 2 3 0 0 1 3 4 1 3 4

11 2 4 1 2 4 1 2 0 3 4 2 1 0 3 1 2 4 1 3 4

13

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$\frac{3}{6}$ CVIII

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VIII

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First system of musical notation (measures 1-2). The treble clef staff shows a melody in A major (three sharps) with eighth-note patterns and fingerings (1-2-1-2, 3-0, 1-2, 4-2, 1-4-3, 1-4-3-1, 0-4-2, 0-3-2-0). The bass clef staff shows a bass line with fingerings (1-2-1-2, 2-0, 4-5-4-5, 7-5, 4-10-9-7, 10-9-7, 0-4-2-0, 3-2-0). The guitar tablature (TAB) below the bass staff shows fret numbers: 0, 0, 0, 0.

Second system of musical notation (measures 3-4). The treble clef staff continues the melody with fingerings (1-2-1-2, 2-0, 3-4-3-4, 4-2, 0-3-1, 2-4-1-3, 4). The bass clef staff shows fingerings (1-2-1-2, 2-0, 3-4-3-4, 4-2, 0-9-10-12, 9-11-12). The guitar tablature (TAB) shows fret numbers: 0, 0, 4, 0, 11, 0, (0).

Third system of musical notation (measures 5-6). The treble clef staff continues the melody with fingerings (1-2-1-2, 2-0, 1-2, 4-2, 1-4-3, 1-4-3-1, 0-4-2, 1-2, 1-4-3, 4-2). The bass clef staff shows fingerings (1-2-1-2, 2-0, 4-5-4-5, 7-5, 6-7-6-7, 9-7-6-7-6-7-12-10). The guitar tablature (TAB) shows fret numbers: 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0.

Fourth system of musical notation (measures 7-8). The treble clef staff continues the melody with fingerings (1-2-1, 4-2-1-3, 0-4-2, 0-3-2-0, 2-0-2-3, 0-1-3-4). The bass clef staff shows fingerings (9-10-9, 12-10-9, 0-4-2-0, 3-2-0, 2-0-2-3, 0-2-4-5). The guitar tablature (TAB) shows fret numbers: 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0. The system ends with a double bar line and the word "Fine".

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TAB

11

TAB

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TAB

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TAB

17

TAB

19

TAB

0 4 4 0 0 4 4 0 | 2 0 4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5

3 0 3

21

TAB

0 4 3 4 3 4 0 7 6 7 6 7 | 0 5 4 5 4 5 0 8 7 8 7 8

3 7 5 5 0 0

23

VIII

TAB

11 11 11 11 1 0 | 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 12 10 8 0 1 0 1 0 0 8 5

10 10 10 10 2 1 | 1 12 10 4 5

8 8 8 3 0 1 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

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TAB

4 0 1 0 1 0 2 0 2 0 4 0 4 0 | 7 0 0 0 10 0 0 0 2 0 3 0 1 2 0 2

5 4 0

Musical Tip Sheet

The Big 5:

1. Reduce work with posture and a positive attitude
2. Troubleshoot - Everything should be easy
3. Breathe
4. Trust yourself to play accurately and musically inspired (instead of judging)
5. Always play as a gift to yourself and others

The 7 Steps to Learn Any Piece:

1. Make small sections
2. Know all the notes and musical markings
3. Clap and count the rhythm aloud
4. Play the right hand alone, counting aloud
5. Play the left hand alone, counting aloud
6. Play hands together, pausing when needed (no mistakes!)
7. Play hands together slowly in rhythm, counting aloud

Musical Starting Points:

1. Decide which notes are melody (probably stems up), and play the others quieter
2. Connect all melody notes smoothly (no gaps)
3. When a musical line or melody goes up in pitch, get quieter
4. When a musical line or melody goes down in pitch, get louder
5. Don't let the high notes stand out (any note higher than the ones before and after)

Practice Tips:

1. Before slowing down or speeding up (rubato) master it at a steady pace.
2. For tricky spots, state out loud exactly what the problem is, in every detail.
3. Memorize every piece (even if you don't, you'll learn it faster if you try)
4. Have a purpose behind each repetition (so you don't ingrain bad habits).
5. Video yourself for performance practice, and to hear what is working.

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