

# Two Pieces

for violin, viola and piano

BENJAMIN BRITTEN (1929)

## 1

**Un poco andante**  
con sord.  
*pp espress.*

Violin

Viola  
con sord. *pp* più animato ad lib.

Piano

Detailed description: This system contains measures 1 through 4. The Violin part begins with a treble clef and a 6/4 time signature. It features a melodic line with a half note, followed by a quarter note, and then a triplet of eighth notes. The Viola part is in alto clef and remains silent until measure 4, where it enters with a half note and a triplet of eighth notes. The Piano part is in grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and remains silent throughout these measures. Performance markings include 'con sord.' for both strings and 'pp espress.' for the violin, and 'pp' and 'più animato ad lib.' for the viola.

5

*a tempo* *pp* *rubato* **Con moto**

Violin

Viola  
*pp*

Piano  
*morendo* *pp legato* *secco*  
una corda

Detailed description: This system contains measures 5 through 8. The Violin part continues its melodic line, marked 'a tempo' and 'pp', with a triplet of eighth notes in measure 7. The Viola part enters in measure 5 with a half note and a triplet of eighth notes, marked 'pp'. The Piano part has a 'morendo' dynamic in measure 5. In measure 8, the piano part changes to 'una corda' and 'pp legato', with a 'secco' marking above the treble clef. The tempo marking changes to 'Con moto' at the start of measure 8.

9

*pp sempre*

Violin

Viola

Piano

Detailed description: This system contains measures 9 through 12. The Violin part continues with a melodic line, marked 'pp sempre'. The Viola part continues with a melodic line, marked 'pp sempre'. The Piano part continues with a harmonic accompaniment, marked 'pp sempre'. The tempo remains 'Con moto'.

VIOLA

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1

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1

Vln con sord. *pp*

*più animato ad lib.*

*a tempo*

morendo

6

Con moto

*pp*

10

5

18

accel.

*mf*

[a tempo]

*f*

rall.

2

Più animato

*f espress.*

23

3

*dim.*

26

3

*cresc.*

29

3

*f*

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*pp espress.* *pp poss.*

6 *pp* *rubato* **Con moto** 3 Vla Pno

13 *p* *espress.*

18 *accel.* [a tempo] *f* *dim.* *rall.*

22 **Più animato** 2 Vla *p* 3

27 *cresc.* *f* 3

31 *espress.* *p* 0 sul G 1 1 1 **tranquillo**