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Grade 4

## OVERTURE TO IDOMENEO

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

*Arranged by*

Robert D. McCashin

### Instrumentation

1 - Conductor's Full Score  
8 - Violin 1  
8 - Violin 2  
5 - Viola  
5 - Violoncello  
5 - Double Bass

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## The Arranger

Dr. Robert McCashin serves as the Director of Orchestras and Professor of Conducting and Violin at James Madison University. He is the Conductor/Music Director for the JMU Symphony, the JMU Chamber Orchestra, the JMU Opera/Theater Orchestra, and the select Camerata Strings ensemble. In addition, Dr. McCashin teaches orchestral conducting at both the graduate and undergraduate levels.

He earned both his Bachelor and Master of Music degrees in violin performance from Louisiana State University, and his Doctor of Musical Arts degree in conducting from the University of Arizona. In addition, he was Associate Conductor for the Youth Orchestras of Greater Fort Worth. Dr. McCashin has enjoyed extensive experiences with string players at all levels, elementary through high school, as a clinician and guest conductor. He presents large numbers of in-school clinics annually and teaches private students of all ages.

In addition, Dr. McCashin maintains a busy schedule of adjudicating and conducting at the state and national levels. His conducting appearances include regional level professional orchestras as well as all-state, region, and district honor orchestras. His compositions and arrangements, published by The FJH Music Company Inc., are best sellers and Pepper Editor's Choice selections in the educational music arena. Dr. McCashin recently chaired the ASTA Merle Isaac National Composition competition, and was elected to two terms as the President of the College Orchestra Directors Association.

## About the Music

Mozart's *Overture to Idomeneo* has been a long time favorite of the operatic overture repertoire. The opera was considered by many to be Mozart's first "mature" work in the operatic medium. The Bavarian Elector, Karl Theodore, commissioned the work for a Court carnival. Mozart was asked to write the music in the 'French style', but he had an idea to move it from the French style to the Italian form of opera seria. While the opera itself is one of the least performed from his operatic output, the Overture has remained a classic in the chamber orchestra repertoire.

This string arrangement retains the depth and nobility of King Idomeneo and, while Mozart's ending is somewhat indecisive, the arrangement remains musically and structurally true to the harmonic and melodic spirit of Mozart's original opus. A terrific concert opener!

## OVERTURE TO IDOMENEIO

WOLFGANG AMADEUS

MOZART

Arranged by

ROBERT D. McCASHIN

(ASCAP)

Allegro (♩ = 66 – 72)

Violin 1 *ff*

Violin 2 *ff*

Viola *ff*

Violoncello *ff*

Double Bass *ff*

Vln. 1 *sfz* *p*

Vln. 2 *p*

Vla. *p* *cresc.* *f* *p* *cresc.*

Vcl. *p* *cresc.* *f* *p* *cresc.*

D.B. *p* *cresc.* *f* *p* *cresc.*

13 *sfz* *p* *f* *mp* *cresc.* *sfz*

Vln. 2 *f* *p* *f* *p* *fp*

Vla. *f* *p* *cresc.* *fp* *fp*

Vcl. *f* *p* *cresc.* *f* *p* *f* *p*

D.B. *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p*

11 12 14 15



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Violin 1

*cresc.* *sfz* *sfz* *p* *cresc.*

Violin 2

*fp* *fp* *p* *cresc.*

Vla.

*fp* *fp*

Vcl.

*f* *p* *f* *p*

D.B.

16 17 *f* *p* 18 *f* *p* 19 20

Violin 1

*f* *div. as needed*

Violin 2

*mf* *mp* *mf*

Vla.

*f* *mp* *f*

Vcl.

*f*

D.B.

21 22 *f* 24

Violin 1

*mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Violin 2

*mp* *mf* *mp* *mf*

Vla.

*mp* *div.* *mf*

Vcl.

*mf*

D.B.

26 27 28 *mf*

Violin 1 (Vln. 1) and Violin 2 (Vln. 2) staves are in treble clef with key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). Viola (Vla.) is in alto clef. Violoncello (Vcl.) and Double Bass (D.B.) are in bass clef. The music is in 4/4 time. Measures 30-33 are shown. Dynamics include *mp*, *mf*, and *f*. A large red watermark "Preview Use Requires Purchase" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

Measures 34-36 are shown. Violin 1 (Vln. 1) and Violin 2 (Vln. 2) continue their melodic lines. Viola (Vla.) has a trill (*tr*) in measure 35. Violoncello (Vcl.) and Double Bass (D.B.) play a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *f*, *mp*, *mf*, and *div. as needed*. A large red watermark "Preview Use Requires Purchase" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

Measures 37-39 are shown. Violin 1 (Vln. 1) and Violin 2 (Vln. 2) continue their melodic lines. Viola (Vla.) has a trill (*tr*) in measure 38. Violoncello (Vcl.) and Double Bass (D.B.) play a steady eighth-note accompaniment. Dynamics include *mf* and *tr*. A large red watermark "Preview Use Requires Purchase" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

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Violin 1 (Vln. 1), Violin 2 (Vln. 2), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vcl.), and Double Bass (D.B.) parts, measures 40 through 51.

Measures 40-43: Vln. 1 and 2 play a melodic line starting on G4, moving up stepwise. Vln. 1 has a *p* dynamic marking at measure 41. Vla. plays a sustained chord of G4 and A4. Vcl. and D.B. play a bass line starting on G2, moving up stepwise. Vln. 1 has a *p* dynamic marking at measure 41.

Measures 44-47: Vln. 1 and 2 play a melodic line starting on G4, moving up stepwise. Vln. 1 has a *cresc.* marking at measure 44. Vln. 2 has a *cresc.* marking at measure 44. Vla. plays a sustained chord of G4 and A4. Vcl. and D.B. play a bass line starting on G2, moving up stepwise. Vln. 1 has a *mp* marking at measure 45. Vln. 2 has a *p* marking at measure 45. Vla. has a *pp* marking at measure 45. Vcl. has a *p* marking at measure 45. D.B. has a *p* marking at measure 45. Vln. 1 has a *mf* marking at measure 46. Vln. 2 has a *mf* marking at measure 46. Vla. has a *mf* marking at measure 46. Vcl. has a *mf* marking at measure 46. D.B. has a *mf* marking at measure 46. Vln. 1 has a *p* marking at measure 47. Vln. 2 has a *p* marking at measure 47. Vla. has a *p* marking at measure 47. Vcl. has a *p* marking at measure 47. D.B. has a *p* marking at measure 47.

Measures 48-51: Vln. 1 and 2 play a melodic line starting on G4, moving up stepwise. Vln. 1 has a *mp* marking at measure 48. Vln. 2 has a *mp* marking at measure 48. Vla. plays a sustained chord of G4 and A4. Vcl. and D.B. play a bass line starting on G2, moving up stepwise. Vln. 1 has a *mf* marking at measure 49. Vln. 2 has a *mf* marking at measure 49. Vla. has a *mf* marking at measure 49. Vcl. has a *mf* marking at measure 49. D.B. has a *mf* marking at measure 49. Vln. 1 has a *p* marking at measure 50. Vln. 2 has a *p* marking at measure 50. Vla. has a *p* marking at measure 50. Vcl. has a *p* marking at measure 50. D.B. has a *p* marking at measure 50. Vln. 1 has a *mf* marking at measure 51. Vln. 2 has a *mf* marking at measure 51. Vla. has a *mf* marking at measure 51. Vcl. has a *mf* marking at measure 51. D.B. has a *mf* marking at measure 51.

55

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

*mf* *cresc.* *mf* *p* *mp*

52 *mf* 53 *p* 54 55 56 *mp*

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

57 58 59 60 61

64

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

*cresc.* *f* *tr* *cresc.* *f* *tr* *p* *cresc.* *f* *mp* *cresc.* *mf* *mf*

62 63 64 *mf* 65

Violin 1 (Vln. 1) and Violin 2 (Vln. 2) are in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). Viola (Vla.) is in alto clef with a key signature of two sharps. Violoncello (Vcl.) and Double Bass (D.B.) are in bass clef with a key signature of two sharps. The score is divided into three systems of measures.

**System 1 (Measures 66-69):**

- Measures 66-67: Vln. 1 and 2 have trills (tr) on the first beat. Vla. has a forte (f) dynamic. Vcl. and D.B. have a mezzo-piano (mp) dynamic.
- Measures 68-69: Vln. 1 and 2 have trills (tr) on the first beat. Vla. has a forte (f) dynamic. Vcl. and D.B. have a mezzo-piano (mp) dynamic.

**System 2 (Measures 70-73):**

- Measures 70-71: Vln. 1 and 2 have mezzo-forte (mf) dynamics. Vla. has a forte (f) dynamic. Vcl. and D.B. have a forte (f) dynamic.
- Measures 72-73: Vln. 1 and 2 have mezzo-forte (mf) dynamics. Vla. has a forte (f) dynamic. Vcl. and D.B. have a forte (f) dynamic.

**System 3 (Measures 74-77):**

- Measures 74-75: Vln. 1 and 2 have mezzo-forte (mf) dynamics. Vla. has a forte (f) dynamic. Vcl. and D.B. have a forte (f) dynamic.
- Measures 76-77: Vln. 1 and 2 have piano (p) dynamics. Vla. has a forte (f) dynamic. Vcl. and D.B. have a forte (f) dynamic.

81

Vln. 1 *cresc.*

Vln. 2 *div.*

Vla. *p*

Vcl. *p*

D.B. *p*

*div. as needed*

*cresc. poco a poco*

*cresc.*

78 79 80 81

Vln. 1 *sfp* 3

Vln. 2 *sfp* 3

Vla. *mp*

Vcl. *mf*

D.B. *mp*

83 84 86 87 *f*

Vln. 1 *sfp* 3 *ff* 3

Vln. 2 *ff* 3

Vla. *ff* 3

Vcl. *ff* 3

D.B. *ff* 3

88 89 91 92

93

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

93 94 95 96 97 98

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

99 101 102 103 104

105

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

105 106 107 108 109

Vln. 1 *sf* *mp* *p*  
 Vln. 2 *fp* *p* *div. as needed*  
 Vla. *fp* *p* *cresc.*  
 Vcl. *f* *p* *(V)* *cresc.*  
 D.B. *f* *p*

110 111 112 113 114

Vln. 1 *f*  
 Vln. 2 *f* *mp*  
 Vla. *f* *mp* *f* *mp*  
 Vcl. *f* *mp* *f* *mp*  
 D.B. *f* *mp*

115 116 117 118 119

Vln. 1 *f* *mp* *mf* *mp*  
 Vln. 2 *f* *mp* *mf* *mp*  
 Vla. *f* *mp* *mf*  
 Vcl. *f* *mp*  
 D.B. *f* *mp*

119 120 121 122

123 124 125 126

Vln. 1 *mp* *f*

Vln. 2 *mp* *f*

Vla. *f*

Vcl. *f*

D.B. *f*

127 128 129 130

Vln. 1 *mp*

Vln. 2 *mp* *mf* *mp*

Vla. *f*

Vcl. *mp* *f*

D.B. *mp*

131 132 133 134

Vln. 1 *f*

Vln. 2 *f*

Vla. *mf* *f*

Vcl. *f*

D.B. *f*

137

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

*mf*

*sfp*

*sub. p*

*mf*

*mp*

135 136 137 138 139

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

*p*

*sfp*

*mf*

*mp*

*mf*

*mp*

140 141 142 143 144

146

Vln. 1

Vln. 2

Vla.

Vcl.

D.B.

*sfp*

*p*

*sfp*

*p*

*mf*

*sfp*

*mp*

*mf*

*mf*

*mp*

*mf*

145 146 147 148 149

Vln. 1 *sfp* *p* *sfp* *sfp*

Vln. 2 *sfp* *mp*

Vla. *mp*

Vcl. *mp*

D.B. *mp*

150 151 152 153

Vln. 1 *sfp* *sfp* *sfp* *sfp*

Vln. 2 *mp*

Vla. *mp*

Vcl. *mp*

D.B. *mp*

154 155 156 157

158 *poco meno mosso* *poco rall.*

Vln. 1 *mp* *p*

Vln. 2 *mp* *p*

Vla. *mp* *p*

Vcl. *mp* *p*

D.B. *mp* *p*

158 159 160 161 162 163 164