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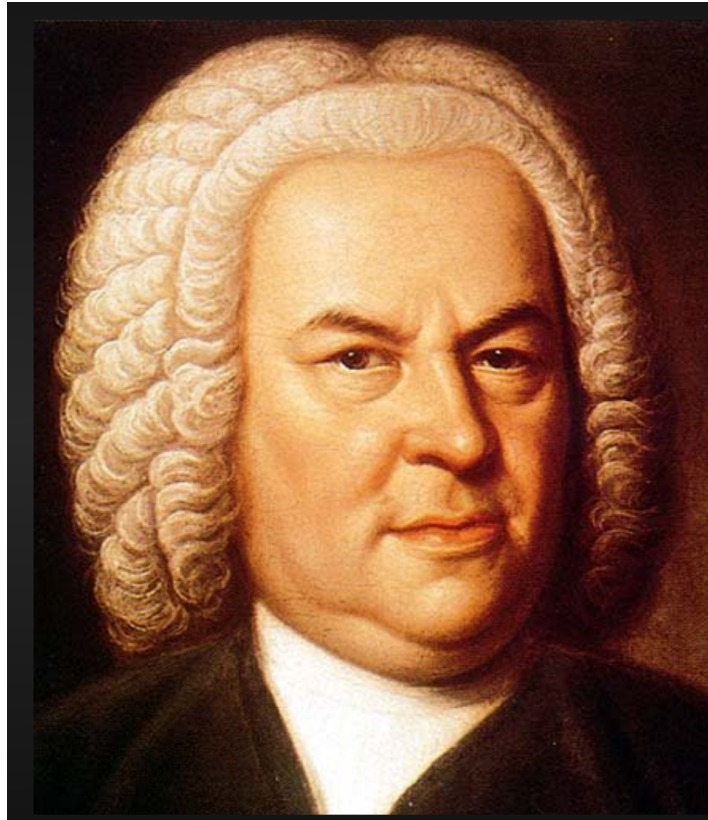
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For string orchestra:
Violin 1, violin 2, viola, cello, double bass

A suggestion for the Well-Tempered String Teacher!

The instrumental parts for the **Prélude** are **BORING!!!** (Just look at them!).

So, what to do? It is a challenge to convince students that putting it all together is a really difficult thing to do. Try this: SING THE PARTS OF THE FIRST TWO MEASURES!

Cellos and basses sing "DOO." Violas sing "DOO-BEE." Second violins sing "DOO-BEE-DAH." First violins sing "DOO-BEE-DAH DOO-BEE-DOO-BEE." (See below).

Violin I
Do be da do be da do be da do be da do be da do be da do be da

Violin II
DOO BEE DAH DOO BEE DAH DOO BEE DAH DOO BEE DAH

Viola
DOO BEE DOO BEE DOO BEE DOO BEE

Cello
DOO DOO DOO DOO

Double Bass
DOO DOO DOO DOO

GOOD LUCK!

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Prélude
Allegro $\text{♩} = 60$

Violin I *mp*

Violin II *p*

Viola *p*

Cello *p*

Double Bass *pizz.*

p *p* *p*

simile *simile* *simile*

Vln. I *f* *mp* *f* *mp*

Vln. II *f* *p* *f* *p*

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

Vc. *f* *p* *f* *p*

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

f *p* *f* *p*

f

2
9

Vln. I

p

mp

Vln. II

pp

p

Vla.

pp

p

Vc.

pp

p

D.B.

pp

p

13

Vln. I

p

Vln. II

pp

Vla.

pp

Vc.

pp

D.B.

pp

17

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

p

pp

pp

pp

Detailed description: This system contains measures 17 through 20. Vln. I plays a continuous eighth-note pattern with slurs and accents. Vln. II and Vla. play similar eighth-note patterns. Vc. and D.B. play sustained notes. Dynamics include *p* (piano) and *pp* (pianissimo).

21

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 21 through 24. Vln. I continues the melodic line. Vln. II and Vla. have more complex patterns with slurs and accents. Vc. and D.B. provide a harmonic base with sustained notes.

4
25

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

29

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

mf

mp

p

mp

mp

p

mp

p

p

33

rit.

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

mp

mp

arco

Fugue**Moderato Maestoso**

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

p

mf

6
5

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

mp

Measures 6-8 of the score. Vln. I and Vla. have many accents. Vln. II has a few. Vc. has many. D.B. is silent. Dynamics include mp.

9

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

mf

arco

Measures 9-12 of the score. Vln. I and Vln. II have many accents. Vla. has a few. Vc. has many. D.B. has many. Dynamics include mf and arco.

13

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

tr

mf

mf

mf

mf

Measures 13-16 of the score. Vln. I has a trill. Vln. II has many accents. Vla. has a few. Vc. has many. D.B. has many. Dynamics include mf and tr.

17

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

mf

mf

mf

mf

mf

21

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

p

mf

mf

p

25

Vln. I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

D.B.

f

rall.

rit.

p