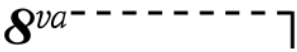



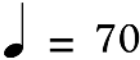





Grade 1 Performance Directions

| Grade 1 Italian Terms | Definition |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| accelerando / accel | gradually getting quicker |
| adagio | slowly |
| allegretto | moderately fast |
| allegro | fast, quickly, and bright |
| andante | at a walking pace |
| cantabile | in a singing style |
| crescendo / cresc. | gradually getting louder |
| da capo / D.C | repeat from the beginning |
| dal segno / D.S | repeat from the sign |
| decrescendo / decresc. | gradually getting quieter |
| diminuendo / dim. | gradually getting quieter |
| fine | the end |
| forte | loud |
| fortissimo | very loud |
| legato | smoothly |
| lento | slow |
| mezzo | half |
| mezzo forte | moderately loud |
| mezzo piano | moderately quiet |
| moderato | moderately |

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|---|---|
| piano | quiet |
| pianissimo | very quiet |
| poco | a little |
| rallentando / rall. | gradually getting slower |
| ritardando / rit. | gradually getting slower |
| ritenuto / rit. | held back |
| staccato | detached |
| tempo | speed / time |
| 8va | octave |
|  | play the notes contained inside the bracket an octave higher than written |
|  | play the notes contained inside the bracket an octave lower than written |
|  | accent the note - written above or below the note head |
|  | pause on the note or rest |
|  | metronome mark - 70 crochet beats in a minute |
|  | a slur - play the notes within the line smoothly (legato). Very similar looking to a tie but a slur is between notes that are different pitches and can span more than two notes. |
|  | play the note staccato (detached) - written above or below the note head |
|  | repeat marks - when you reach the second sign go back to the first sign, or if there is not first sign go back to the beginning |