

Bartok - No 21 from Fur Kinder

What does the title mean?

This is the 21st piece in Bartok's volume of music for children.

What key is this in?

A minor but uses some modal elements from Hungarian folk music.

Notation:

Allegro robusto - fast, lively and strong

Metronome marking - 138 crotchets per minute

F - forte - loud

Sf - sforzando - sudden accent

Slur - play legato

Martellato - hammered accent

P - piano - soft

Staccato - short and detached

Tenuto - hold the note for its full length

Pedal - use the damper pedal