

*Sonatina Op 36 No 1 1<sup>st</sup> movement* by Clementi

**What does the title mean?**

Sonatina is a little sonata. A sonata is a piece for instrument. It usually has 3 movements and this is the first movement. Op means opus = work. No = number.

**What key is this piece in?**

C major, with key changes at bar 10 (adds F# = G major), bar 16 (C minor), bar 24 back to C major.

**Notation:**

Spiritoso – with spirit (lively)

92 minims per minute (speed)

Time signature – cut common time – 2 minim beats per bar

NB: this means that minims get one beat, crotchets get ½ beat, quavers get ¼ beat etc

Diminuendo – gradually getting softer

Flat sign – lower the note by a semitone

Repeat sign – repeat the music from the previous repeat sign.

p – piano = soft

cresc. – crescendo = gradually getting louder

mf – mezzo forte = moderately loud

staccato – short and detached

slurs – legato – smooth and well connected

tenuto – hold for full length (soft accent)

tie – tie the notes together (combine the note values)

Need to know note names (pitch) and note values (rhythm) including rests.