

## Etude in A minor - Kabalevsky

What does the title mean?

Etude is the French word for study. This piece studies a particular piano technique - in this piece it is perpetual even motion in RH and repetitive slurs LH. A minor is the key.

What key is this in?

A minor - RH uses A aeolian scale while the LH uses A harmonic minor

### Modulations

Bar 8 F mixolydian (major with Eb)

Bar 10 Bb major

Bar 11 end A minor

### Notation:

time signature - simple quadruple

Allegro vivace - fast and lively

piano - soft

crescendo - gradually getting louder

diminuendo - gradually getting softer

tenuto \_ - hold note for full length - soft accent

cresc. molto - much crescendo

f - forte - loud

staccato - short and detached

staccato/tenuto - mezzo staccato

pp sub - suddenly very soft (subito)

accent > - stress the note

8va - octave higher than written

ff - fortissimo - very loud

pedal - damper pedal

slurs, notes and rests, accidentals