

## **I'm a Believer** (Diamond, arr. Milne)

What does the title mean?

*I'm a believer* is an uptempo pop song by Neil Diamond and these words are from the chorus. The song has since been used by the Monkeys, and in the movie *Shrek*.

What key is this in?

This is in G major but has elements of G blues (eg the F natural).

Notation:

Driving - the character of this piece needs to be moving forward decisively

4/4 - time signature - simple quadruple - 4 crotchet beats in each bar

marcato accent > - stress the note by playing it louder

staccato - short and detached

f - forte - loud

slur - connect the notes smoothly

tie - hold the note for the combined values under the tie

ff - fortissimo - very loud

mp - mezzo piano - moderately soft

mf - mezzo forte - moderately loud

flat - lower the note by a semitone

sharp - raise the note by a semitone

natural - cancel the flat or sharp

8vb - play the notes an octave lower than written