

Mozzie by Elissa Milne

What does the title mean?

Mozzie is Australian slang for mosquito. This piece sounds like a persistent annoying mosquito because of the accents and the acciaccaturas.

What key is this in?

This is in D minor but uses some of the blues.

Notation:

4/4 - simple quadruple time - 4 crotchets per bar

mp - mezzo piano - moderately soft

Tie - hold the note for combined values

Accent - play the note loudly

Staccato - short and detached

Acciaccatura - grace note - small note before the main note (type of ornament)

Slur - play legato - play smoothly

Flat - lower the note a semitone

natural - cancel the sharp or flat

Sharp - raise the note a semitone

8va - play an octave lower than written

Double bar line - the end

Ledger line - extends the stave

ff - fortissimo - very loud

Mf - mezzo forte - moderately loud

Crescendo - gradually getting louder

Diminuendo - gradually getting softer

P - piano - soft