

# a) Impromptu-Valse.

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*Allegro vivace.  $\text{d} = 84$ .*

The sheet music contains four staves of piano music. The first staff shows a melodic line with fingerings (e.g., 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) and dynamics (e.g., *p*, *f*). The second staff continues the melody. The third staff begins with a melodic line and includes a dynamic marking *p* *veloce, legato*. The fourth staff concludes the section. The music is divided into measures numbered 1 through 15, with various dynamics and performance instructions like *p*, *f*, and *sforzando* throughout.

a) This pleasing drawing-room piece requires fleet and fluent fingers, charm and elegance of delivery combined with a sense for agreeable sonority.

b) Observe the melodic outline of the right hand:

A short musical example showing the melodic outline of the right hand. It consists of a single staff of piano music with a melodic line and fingerings (e.g., 1, 2, 3, 4, 5). The example ends with the word "etc."

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c) The left hand should be brought out in the following 24 measures.

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*Impromptu-Valse 3.*

56      57      58      59  
*p*      \* *p*      \* *p*      \*

60      61      62      63  
*cresc.*      *cen-*      *do-*      -

64      65      66      67  
*f*      -      -      *p*

68      69      70      71  
*p*      *p*      *p*      *p*

72      73      74      75      76  
*p*      \*      \*      \*      \*

*Impromptu-Valse 4.*

d) *dolce, rubato*

*con espressione*

e)

*un poco marcato il basso fondamentale*

*dolcissimo*

*poco f*

*smorzando*

*inquieto*

*espressivo*

- d) The expressive melody so characteristic of Chopin in its outline, harmonization and ornamental designs, must be played with a singing tone, a free and flexible rhythm (devoid of exaggeration) and a straightforward and refined sentiment.

- e) The fundamental notes must be slightly emphasized and sustained with the pedal throughout the measure. Their melodic outline is as follows:

*espressivo*

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*poco animato*

f) 109 110 111 112 113 114

115 116 stringendo 117 118 119 120

*f quasi cadenza* 121 122 123 124

125 126 127 128

Tempo I.

p 129 130 131 132 133

f) This is more Lisztian in character and interpretation.

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134      135      136      137      poco f 138      139  
 140      dolcissimo 142      smorzando - 144      inquieto 145  
 146      147      148      149      150  
 151      152      153      cres 154  
 155      156      157      f 158      159

g) The observation at f) applies also to the following measures.  
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160      161      162      163

164      165      166  
diminuendo      167

168      169      pp 170      171      p 172

173      174      175      176      177      178      179

180      181      182      183      rit. 184      p 185

A musical score page featuring two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom is in bass clef. Both staves are in 2/4 time with a key signature of four flats. The music consists of eighth-note patterns. Measure 186 starts with a dynamic of *pp* and *in tempo*. Measures 187 through 189 show various patterns with fingerings like 1-5-1, 2-3-2, etc. Measure 188 is labeled *dolcissimo*.

A continuation of the musical score from the previous page. The staves remain the same: treble and bass clefs, 2/4 time, four flats. Measures 190 through 194 continue the eighth-note patterns. Fingerings such as 1-5-1, 2-3-2, and 2-1-2-3-1 are indicated above the notes.

A continuation of the musical score. The staves are identical to the previous pages. Measures 195 through 198 show more complex patterns. Measure 196 includes the instruction *crescendo poco a poco*. Measures 197 and 198 end with a repeat sign.

A continuation of the musical score. The staves are identical. Measures 199 through 201 show further developments in the eighth-note patterns. Measure 200 includes a dynamic of *f*.

A continuation of the musical score. The staves are identical. Measures 202 through 205 show intricate patterns with fingerings like 8-5-8, 1-2-1, etc. Measure 205 ends with a dynamic of *v*.

206      207      208      209  
 210      211 *p*      accelerando 212      213  
*crescendo poco a poco* 215      216      *f.* 217  
 218      219      220      221  
 222      decrescendo 223      224      225

*a tempo*

226      227      228      229

*Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \*

230      231      232      233

*Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \*

234      235      236      237 *crescendo*

*Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \*

238      239      240      241

*Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \* *Ped.*      \*

Musical score page 1. The top staff shows a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a bass clef. The bottom staff shows a bass clef. Fingerings are indicated above the notes. Measure numbers 242, 243, 244, and 245 are shown. Dynamics include *mf* and *p*. Articulation marks like *Stacc.* and *\** are present. Measures 242-245 are shown.

Musical score page 2. The top staff shows a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a bass clef. The bottom staff shows a bass clef. Fingerings are indicated above the notes. Measure numbers 246, 247, 248, and 249 are shown. Dynamics include *p*. Articulation marks like *Stacc.* and *\** are present. Measures 246-249 are shown.

Musical score page 3. The top staff shows a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a bass clef. The bottom staff shows a bass clef. Fingerings are indicated above the notes. Measure numbers 250, 251, 252, and 253 are shown. Dynamics include *decrescendo* and *pp*. Articulation marks like *Stacc.* and *\** are present. Measures 250-253 are shown.

Musical score page 4. The top staff shows a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a bass clef. The bottom staff shows a bass clef. Fingerings are indicated above the notes. Measure numbers 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, and 261 are shown. Articulation marks like *Stacc.* and *\** are present. Measures 254-261 are shown.