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INTRODUCTION

FOR THE STUDENT: This material is part of the worldwide Suzuki Method of teaching. Companion recordings should be used with these publications. In addition, there are piano accompaniment books that go along with this material.

FOR THE TEACHER: In order to be an effective Suzuki teacher, a great deal of ongoing education is required. Your national Suzuki association provides this for its membership. Teachers are encouraged to become members of their national Suzuki associations and maintain a teacher training schedule, in order to remain current, via institutes, short and long term programs. You are also encouraged to join the International Suzuki Association.

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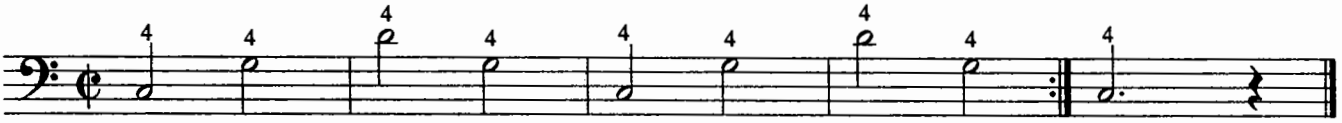
The four main points for study in Volume II:

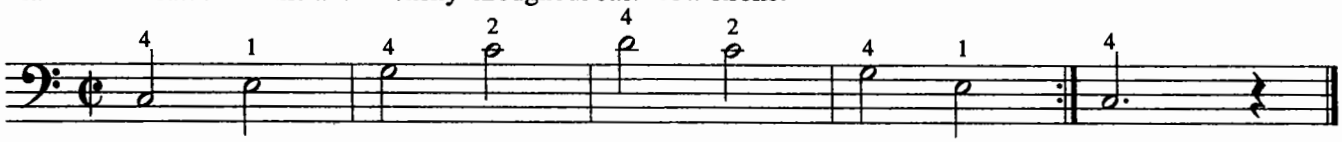
1. The child should listen to the reference recordings every day at home to develop musical sensitivity. Rapid progress depends on this listening.
2. Tonalization, or the production of a beautiful tone, should be stressed in the lesson and at home.
3. The position etudes should be practiced well before each lesson.
4. Constant attention should be given to accurate intonation, correct posture, and the proper bow hold.

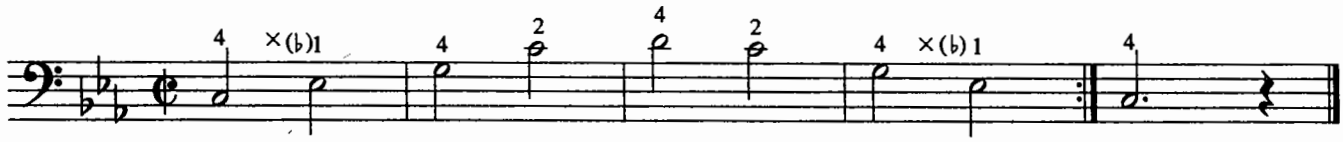
Tonalization

Each lesson should begin with a tonalization.
Try to produce a beautiful tone. Use full bows.



Maintain the same volume and intensity throughout each bow stroke.





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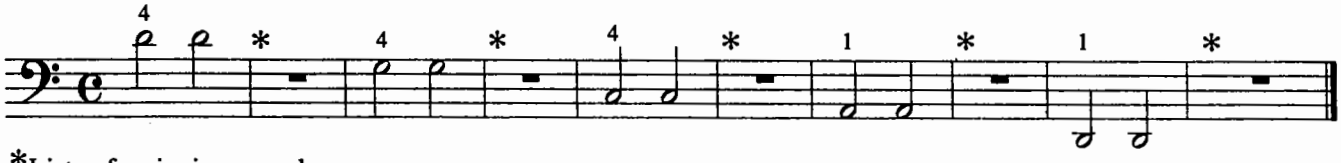
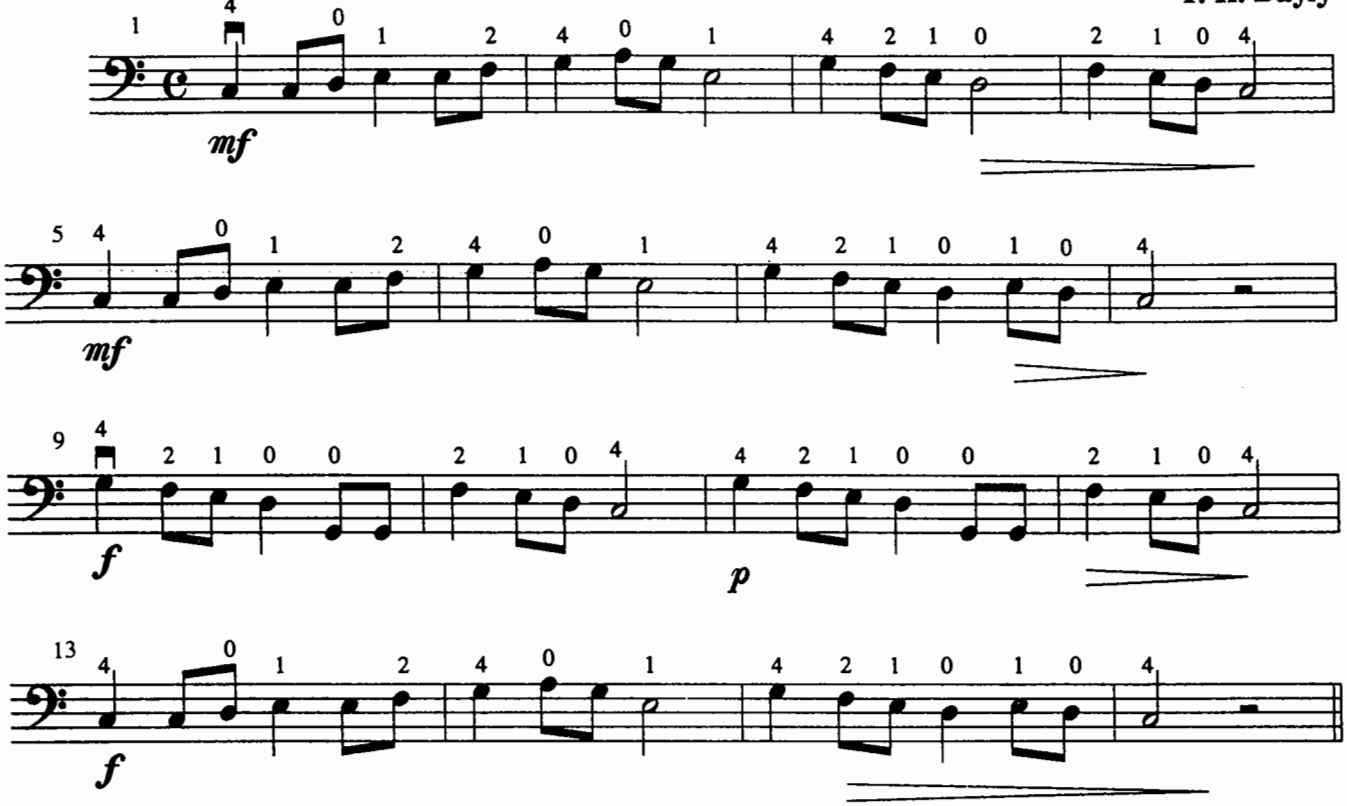


*Listen for ringing sound.

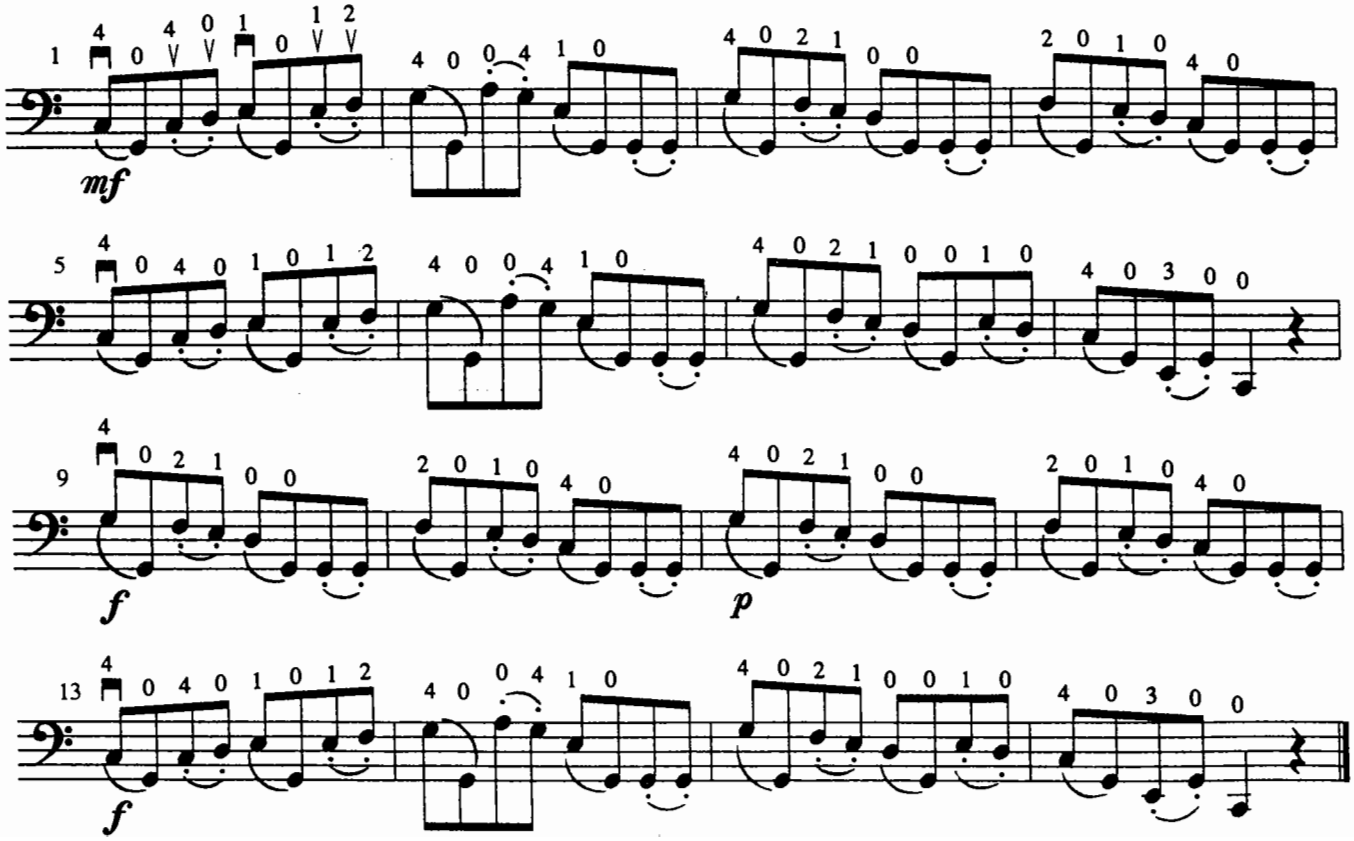
1 Long, Long Ago

Moderato

T. H. Bayly



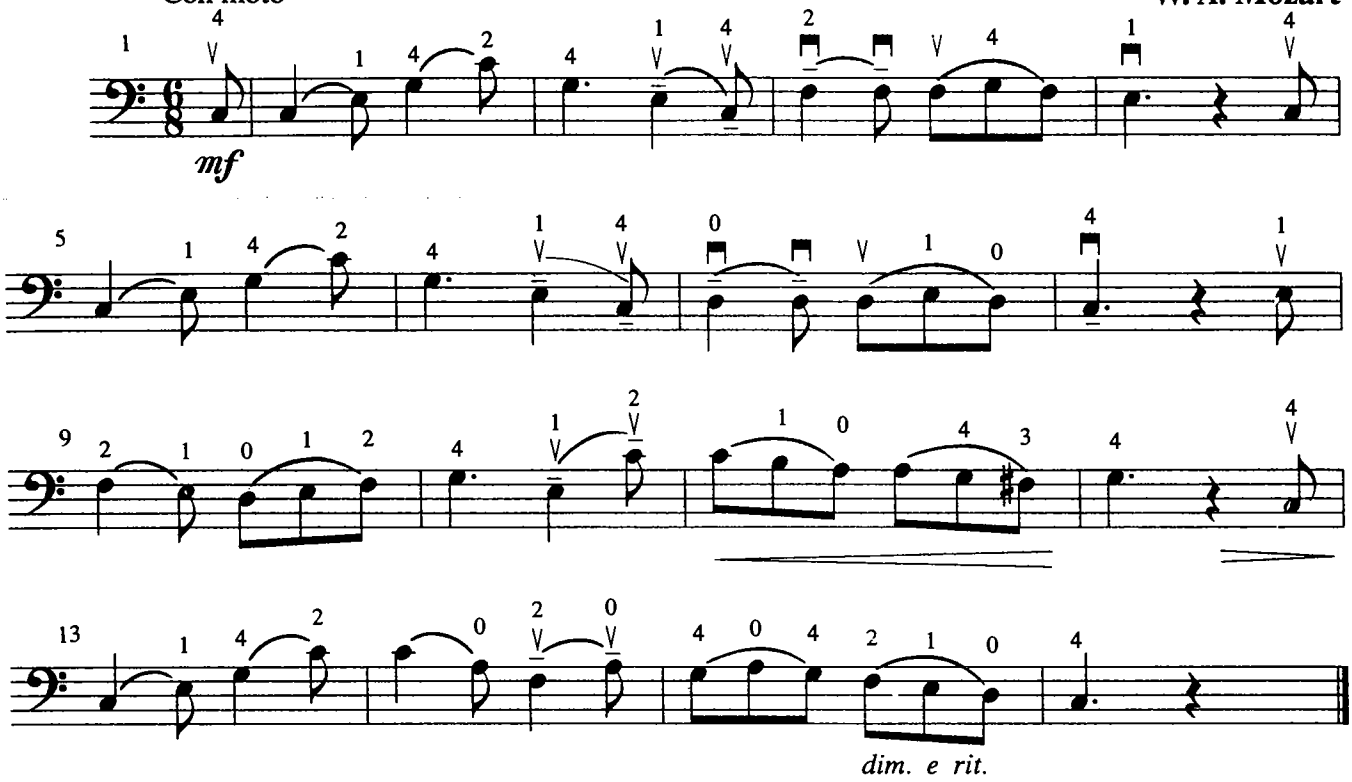
Variation



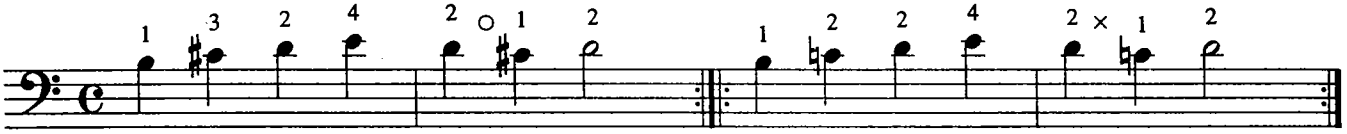
2 May Time

Con moto

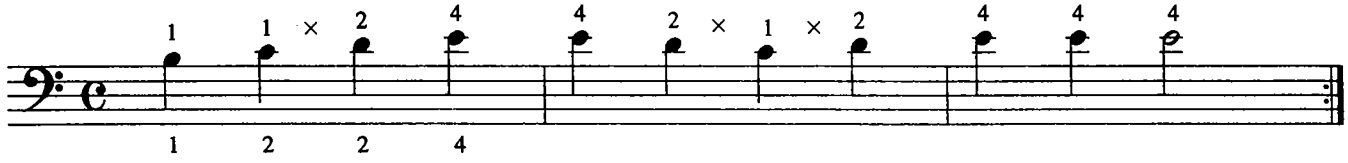
W. A. Mozart



Etudes for 2nd Position

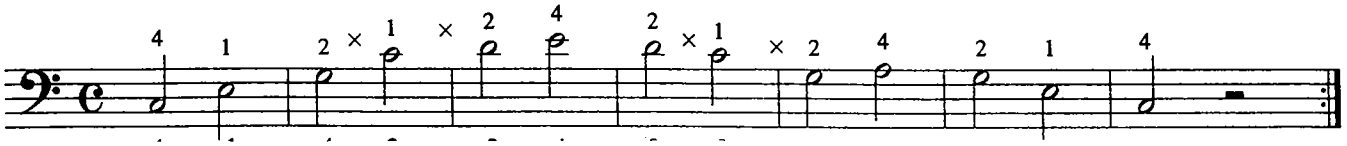


Closed hand position is marked with ○.
Open hand position is marked with ×.



Forward and backward extension using 2nd position.

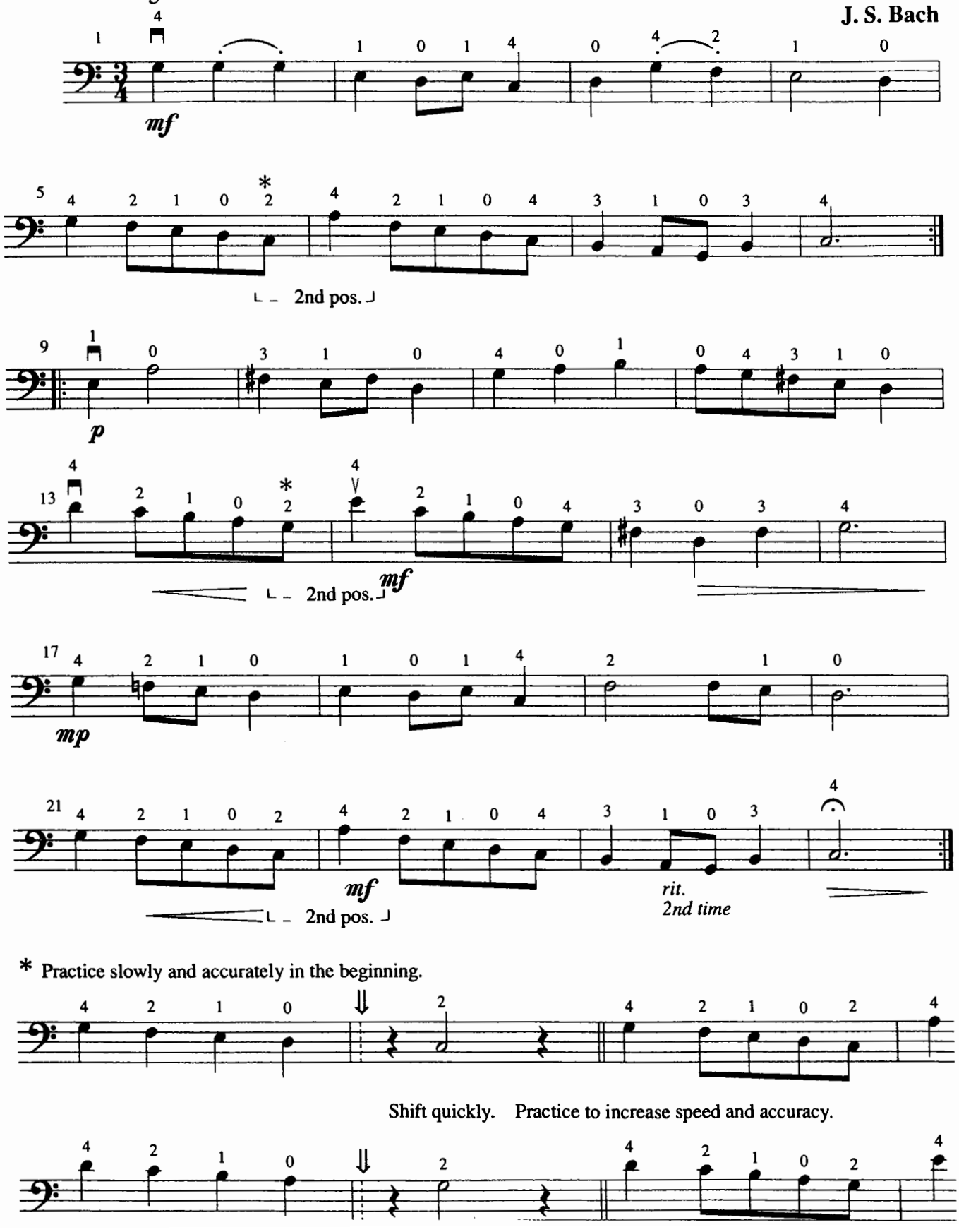
Tonalization



3 Minuet No. 1

Allegretto

J. S. Bach



* Practice slowly and accurately in the beginning.

Shift quickly. Practice to increase speed and accuracy.

4 Minuet No. 3

Allegretto

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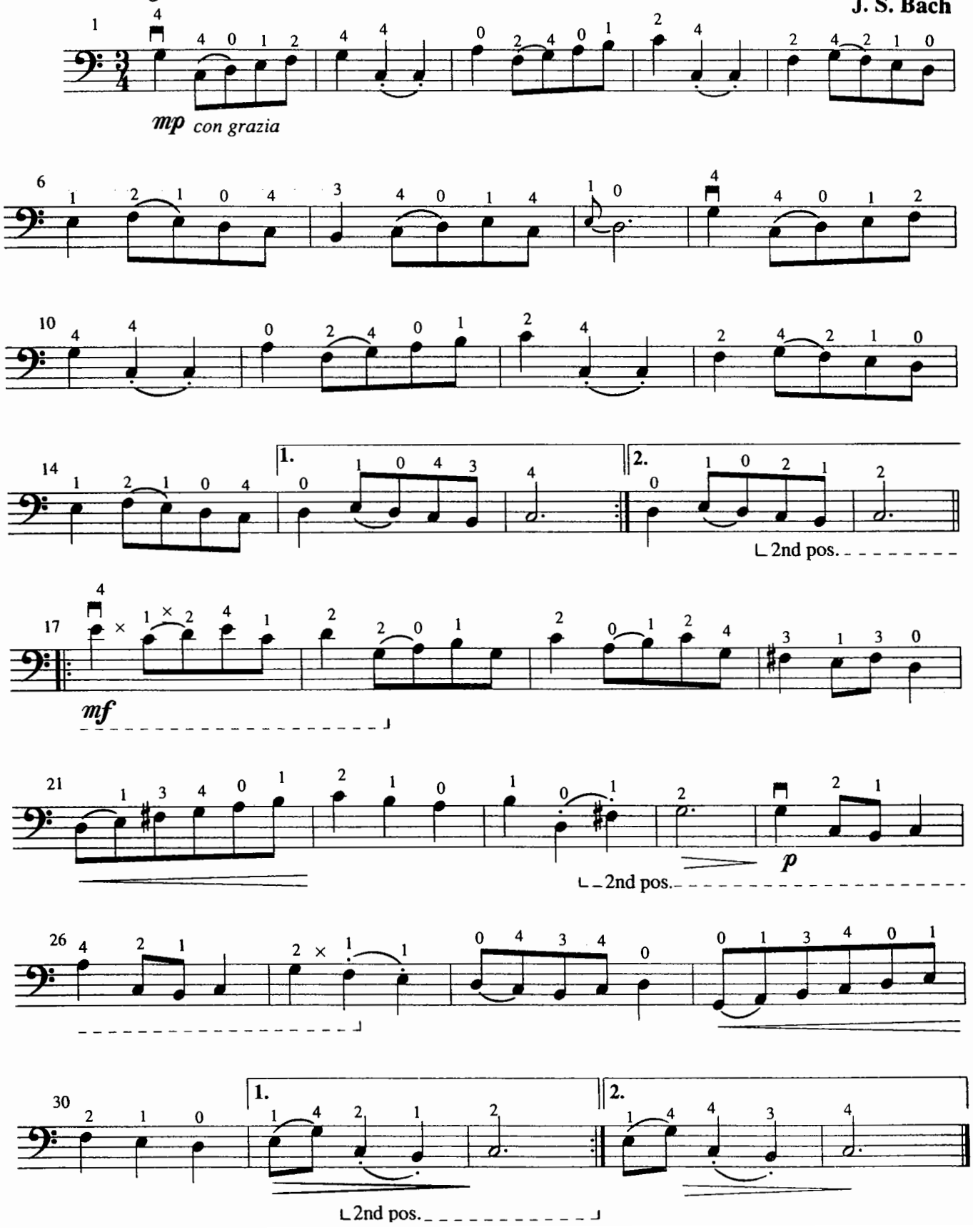

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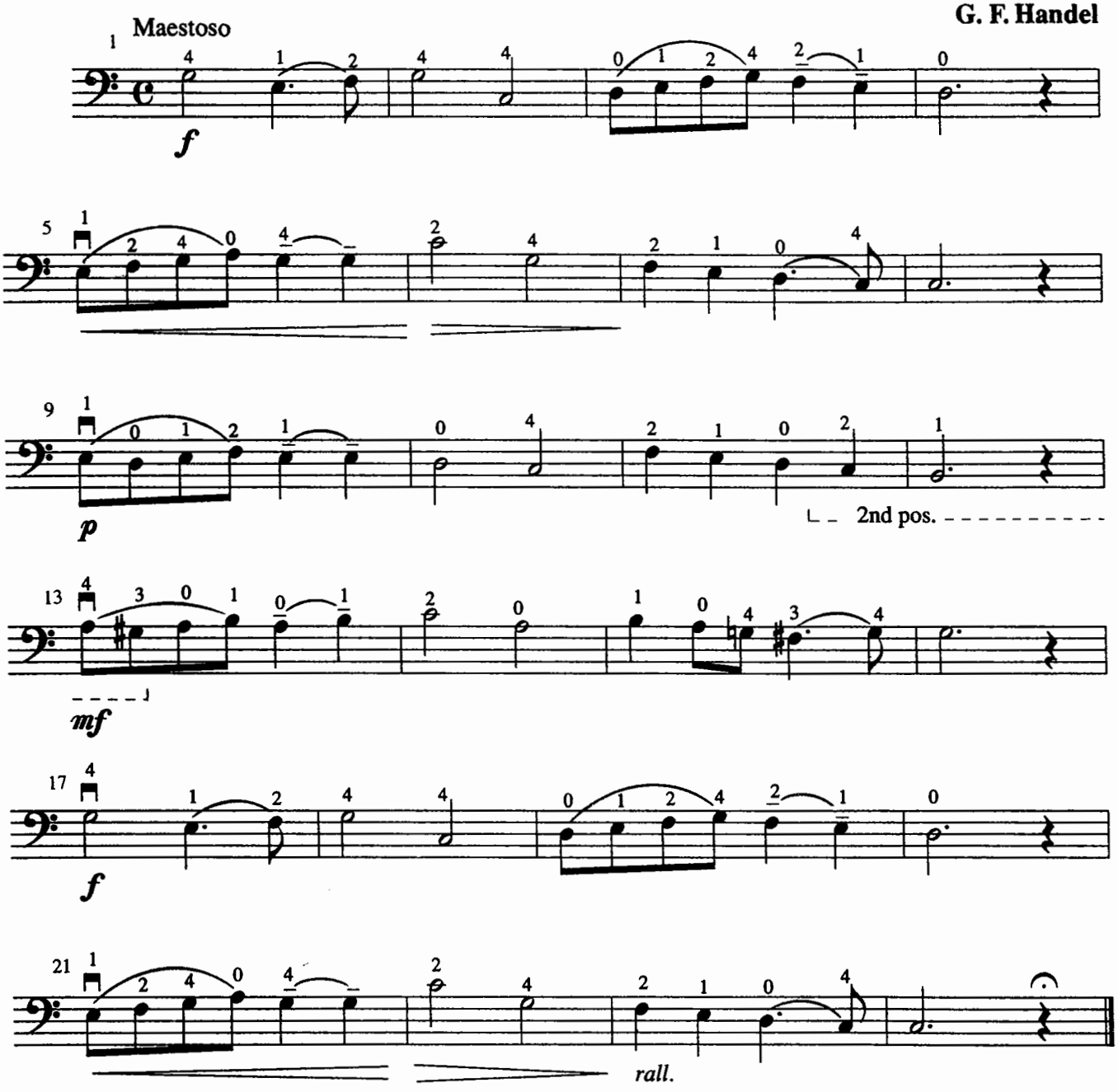
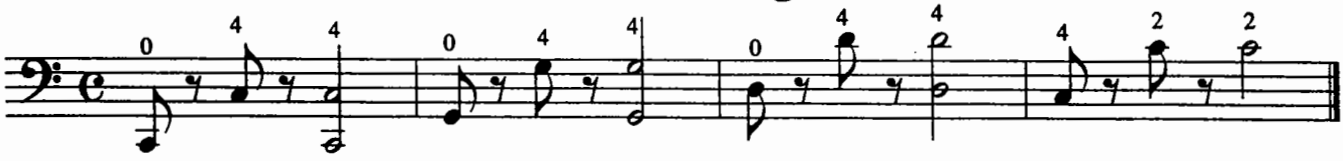
G. F. Handel



Please remember that the child should listen to the recording every day.

Ear Training

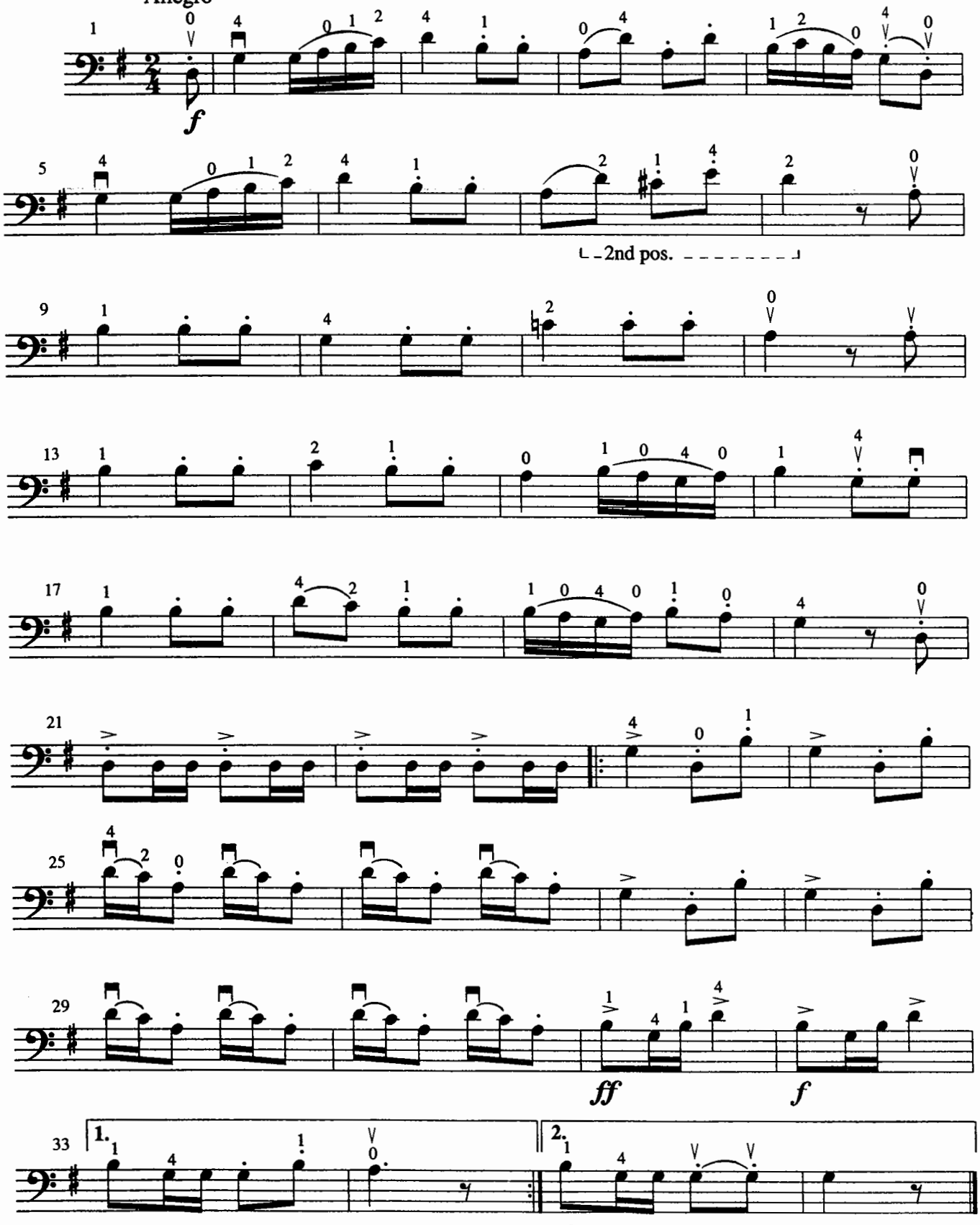


Exercise for perfect octave intonation. Listen to the resonance of the open C, G, and D strings, and try to match the octave pitches perfectly.

6 Hunters' Chorus

Allegro

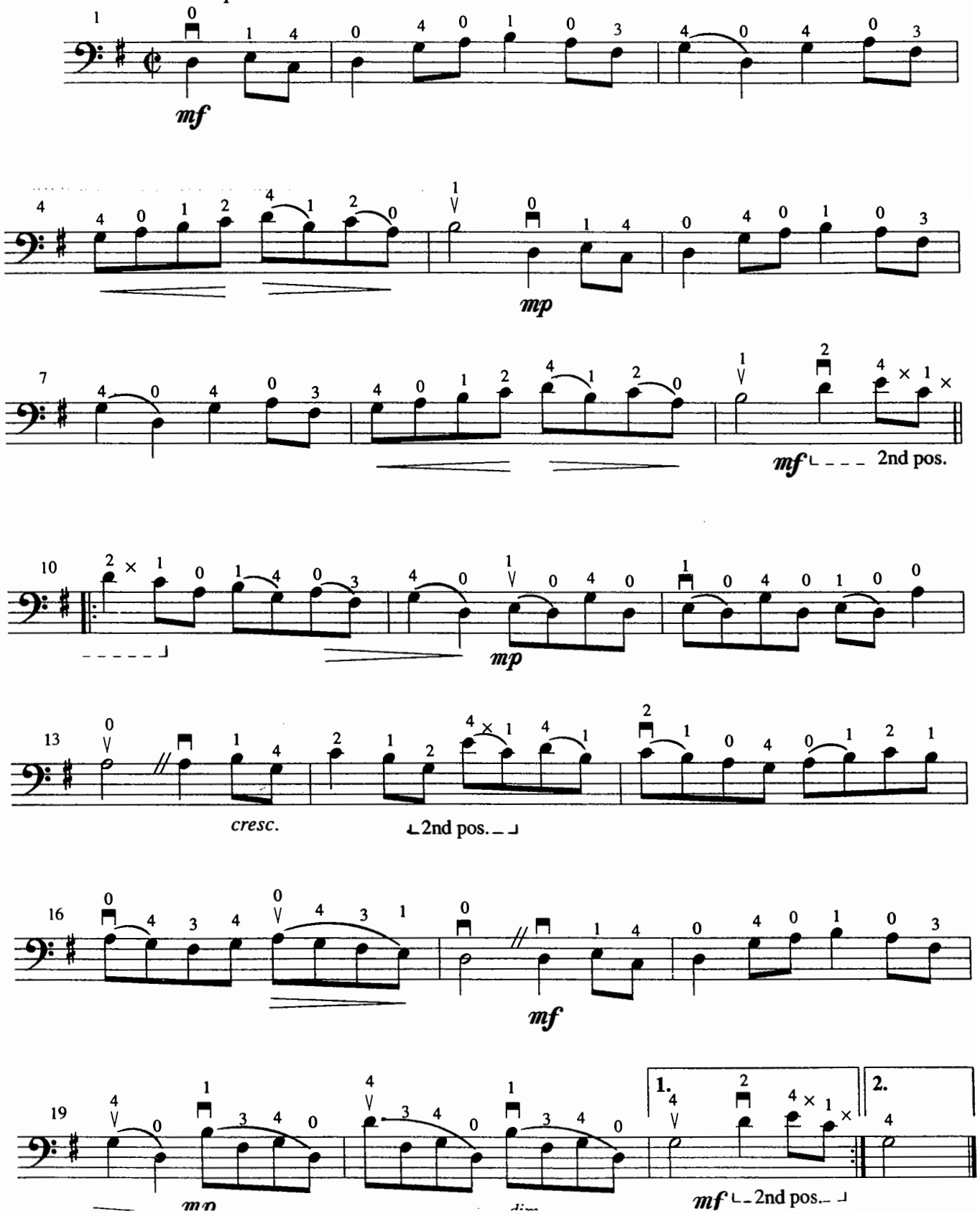
C.M. von Weber



7 Musette from English Suite No. 3

Andante pastorale

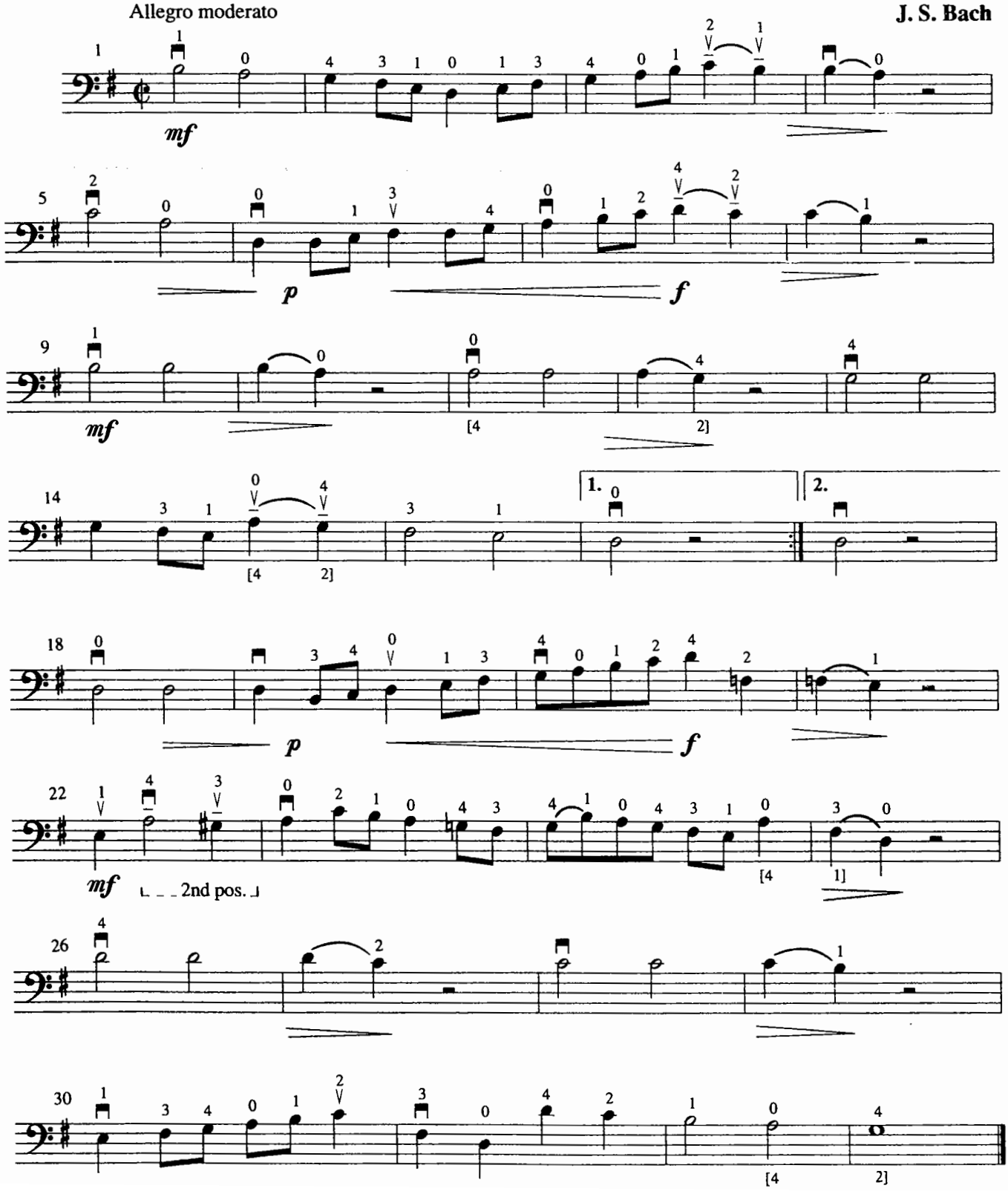
J. S. Bach



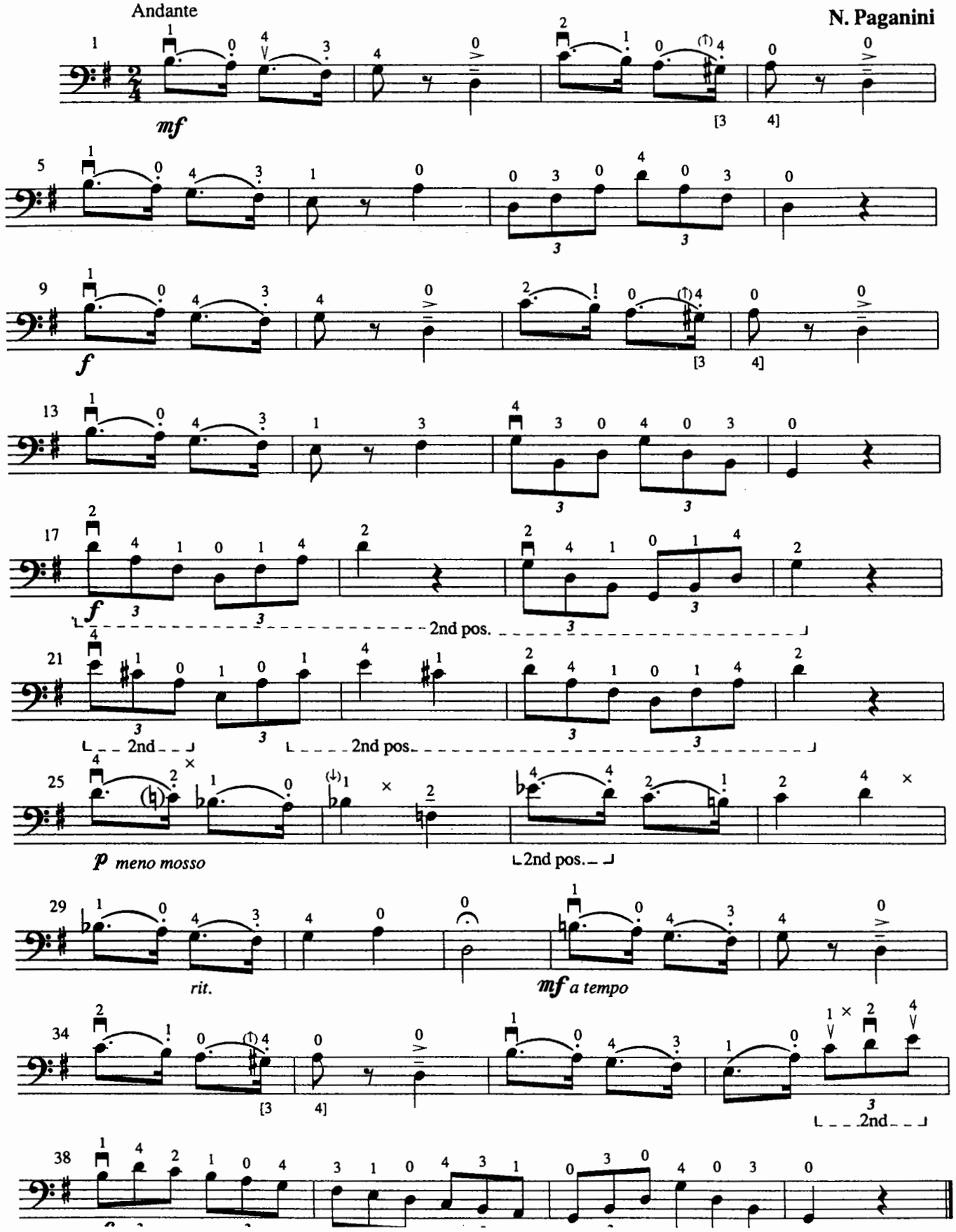
8 March in G

Allegro moderato

J. S. Bach

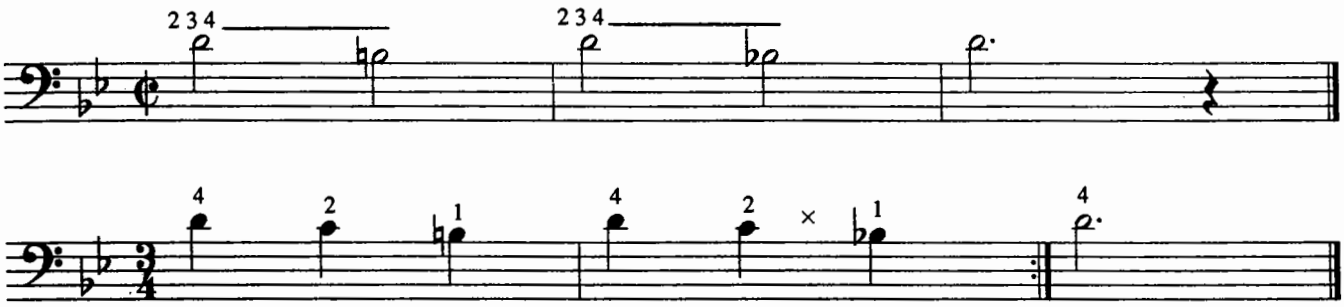


9 Theme from "Witches' Dance"



Exercise for B♭

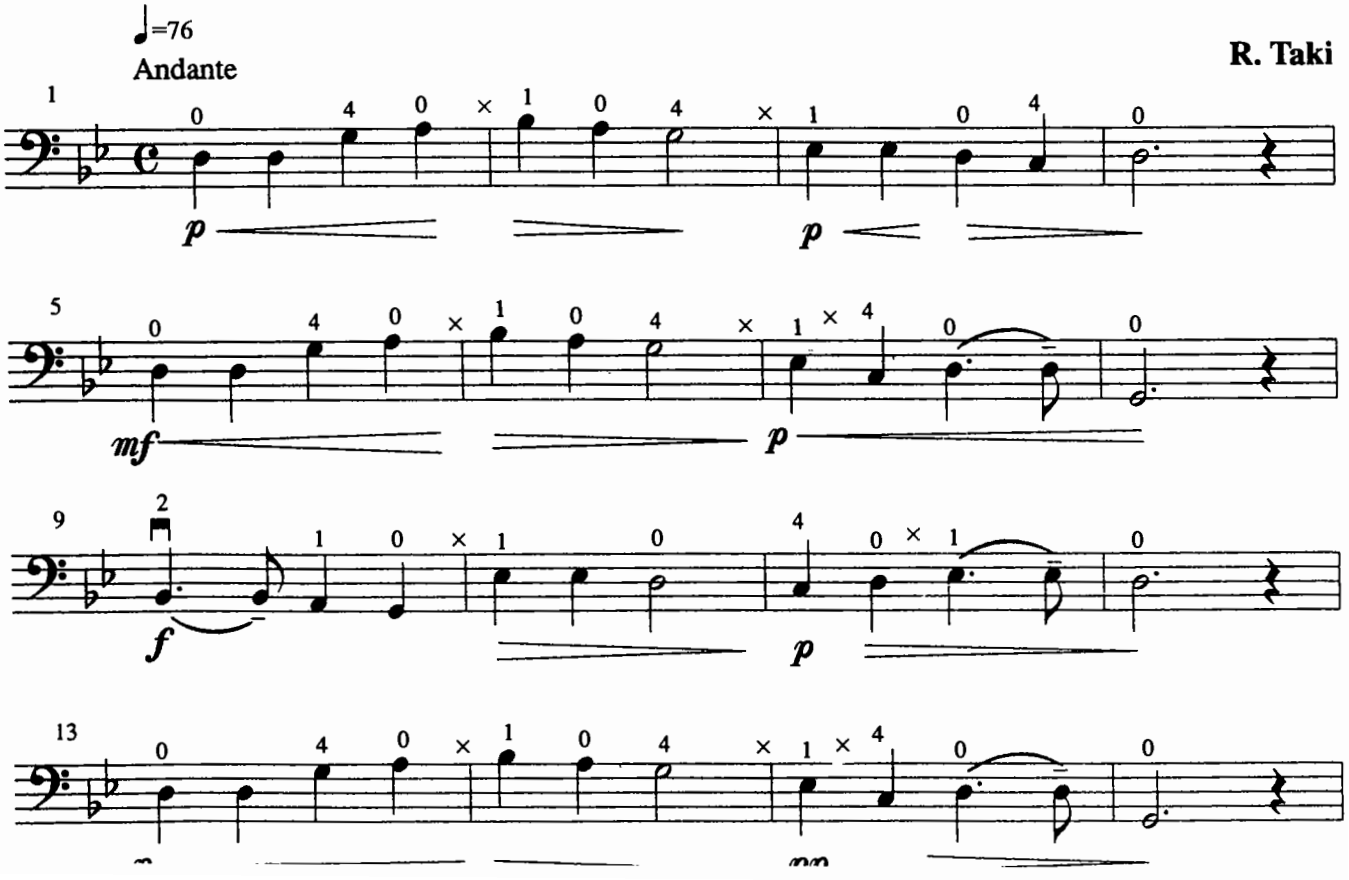
Try playing the following exercise silently. Keep second finger in place as the first finger moves back from B♮ to B♭.



Practice Twinkle Theme in F major to prepare left hand for backward extension.

Tonalization

The Moon over the Ruined Castle



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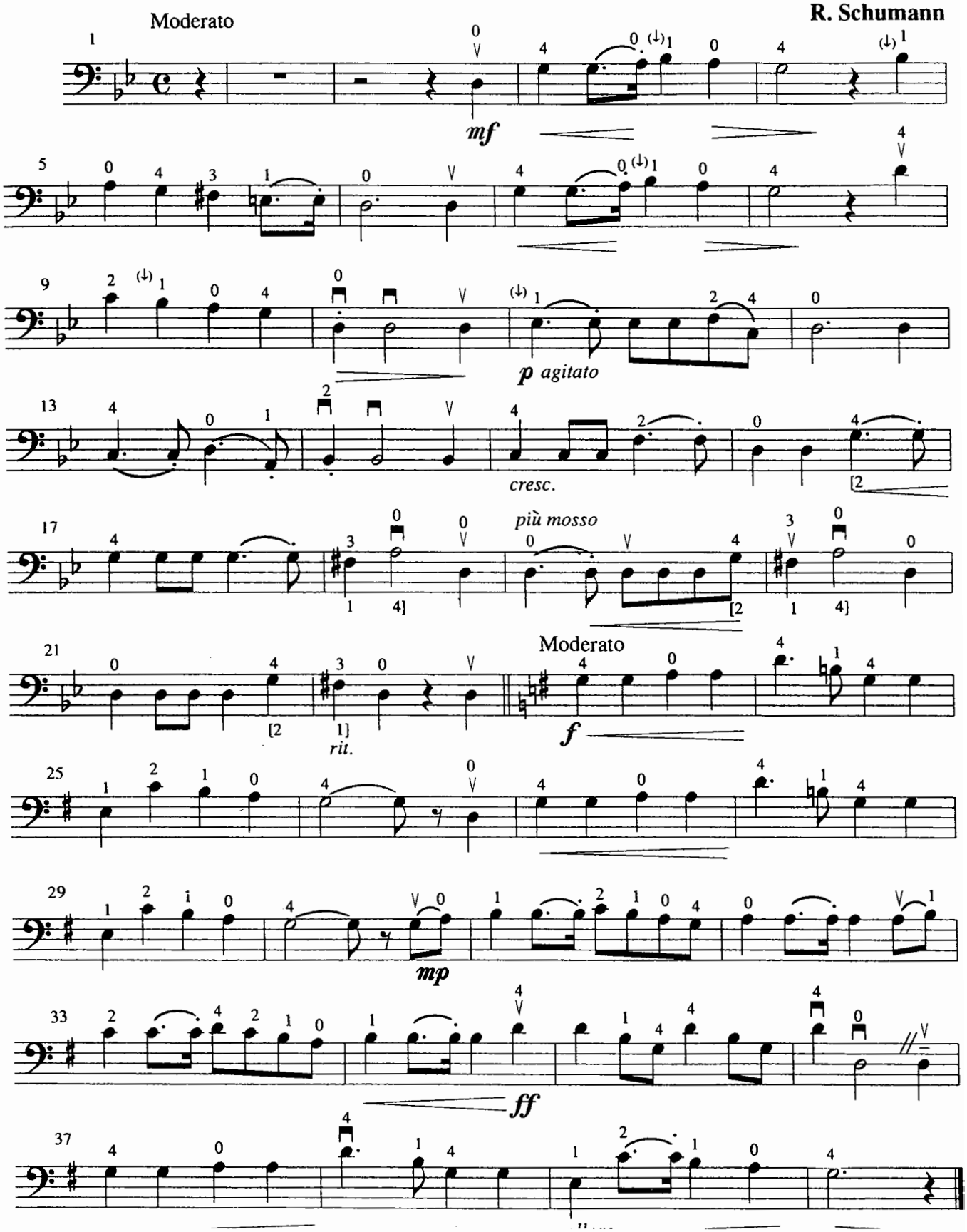
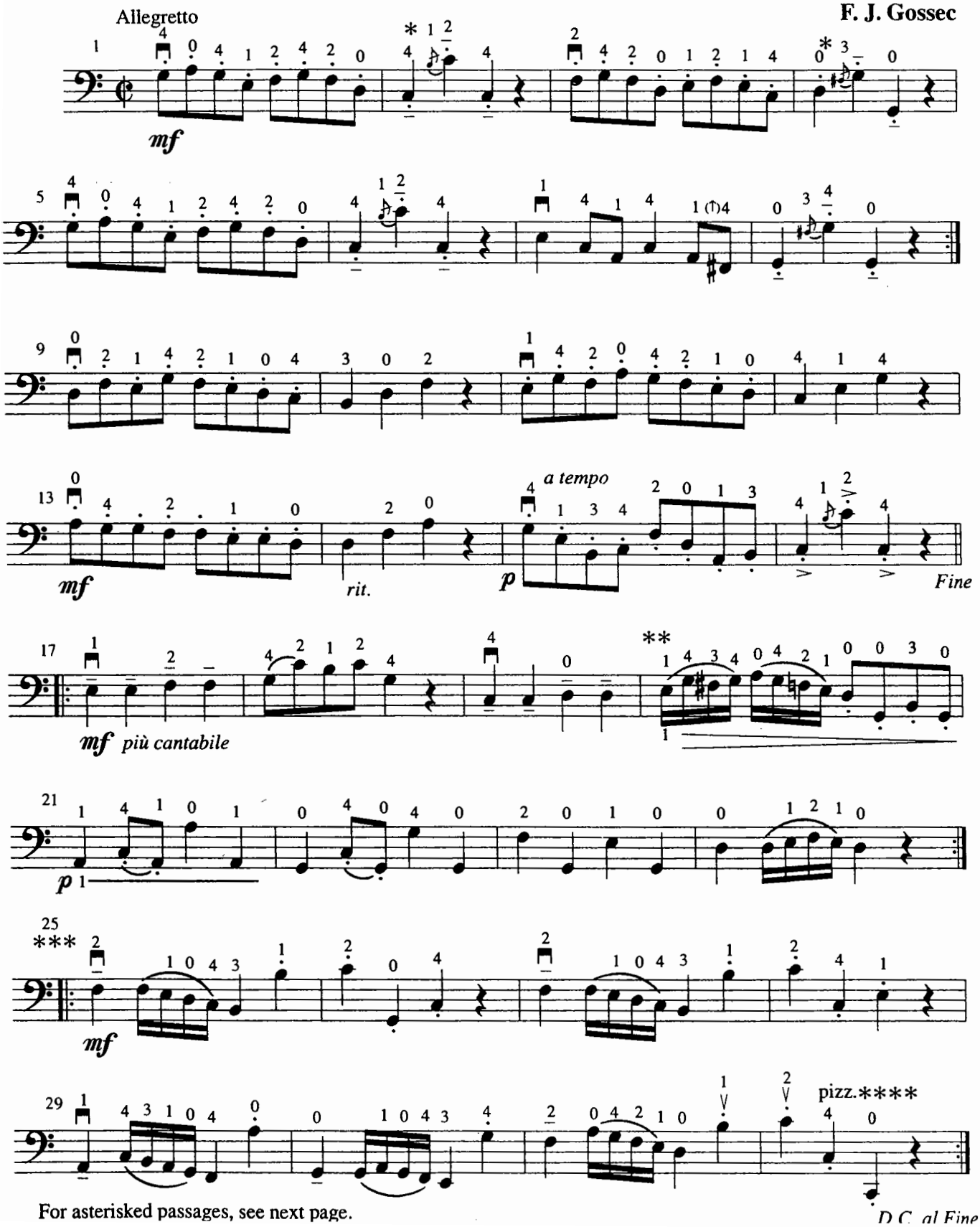
R. Schumann



11 Gavotte

Allegretto

F. J. Gossec



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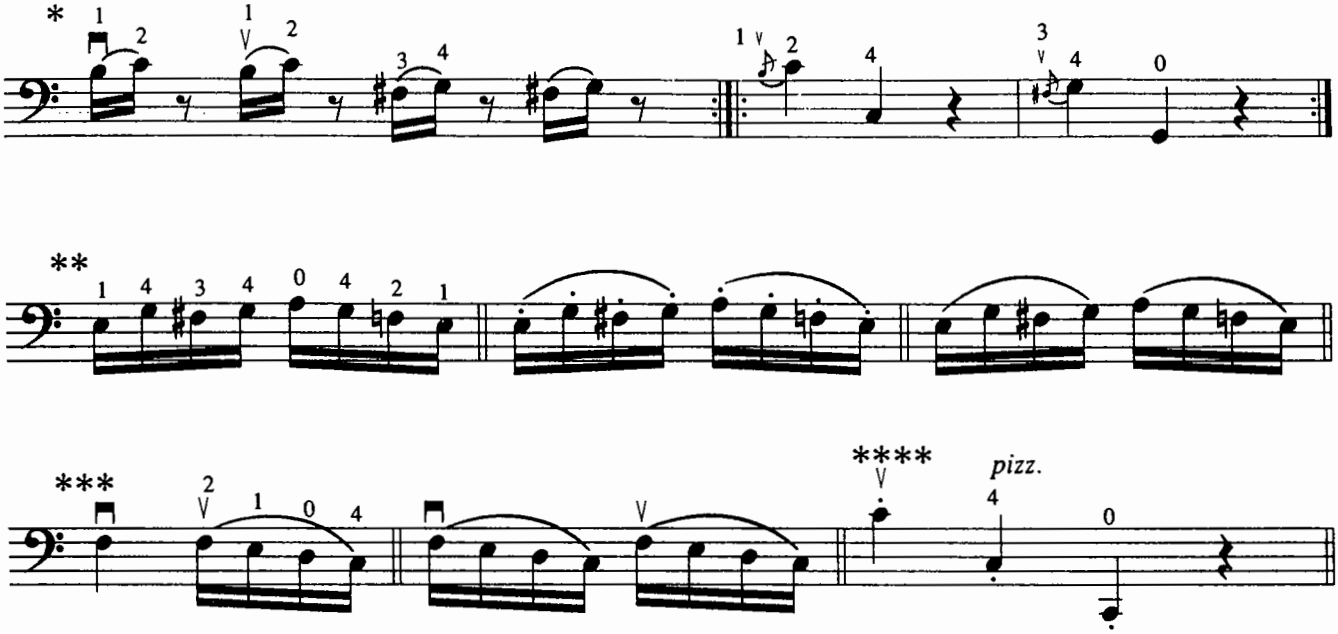
Preparation Exercises for Gossec Gavotte

Procedure for practice:

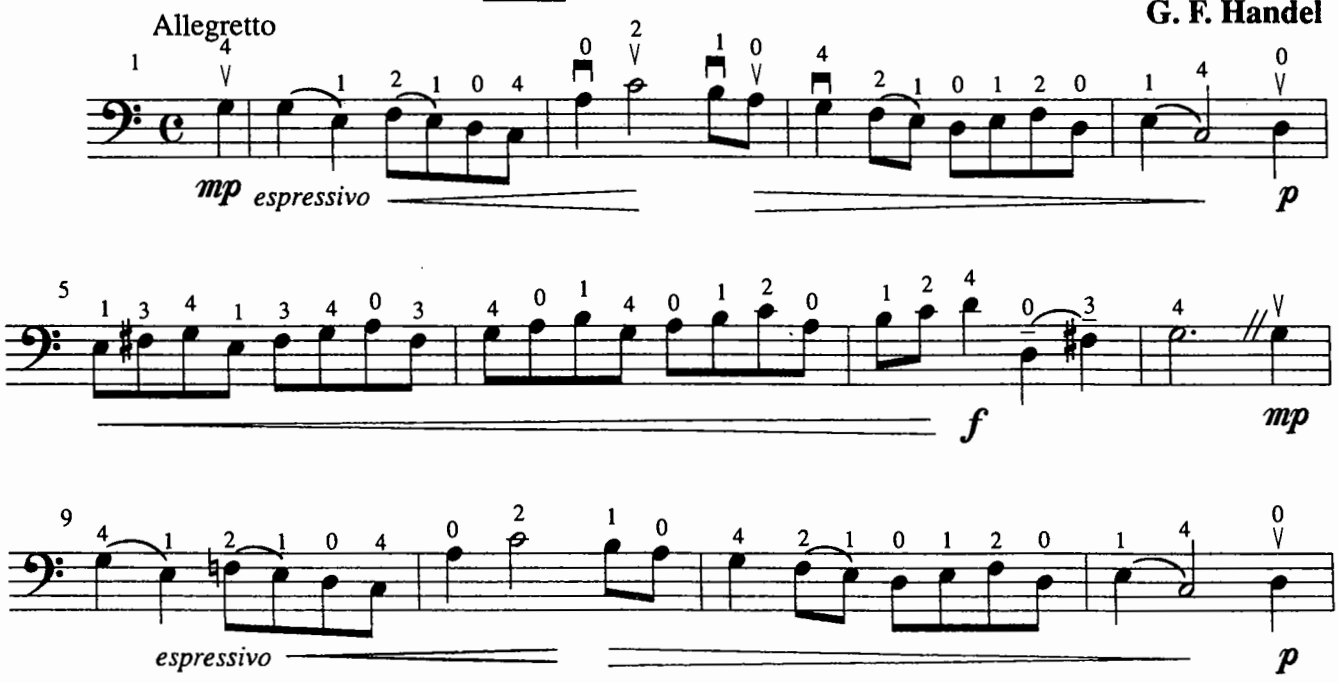
Listen carefully to the intonation.
Use a short stroke.
Place the bow on the string, then play, keeping the bow on the string during the rest.

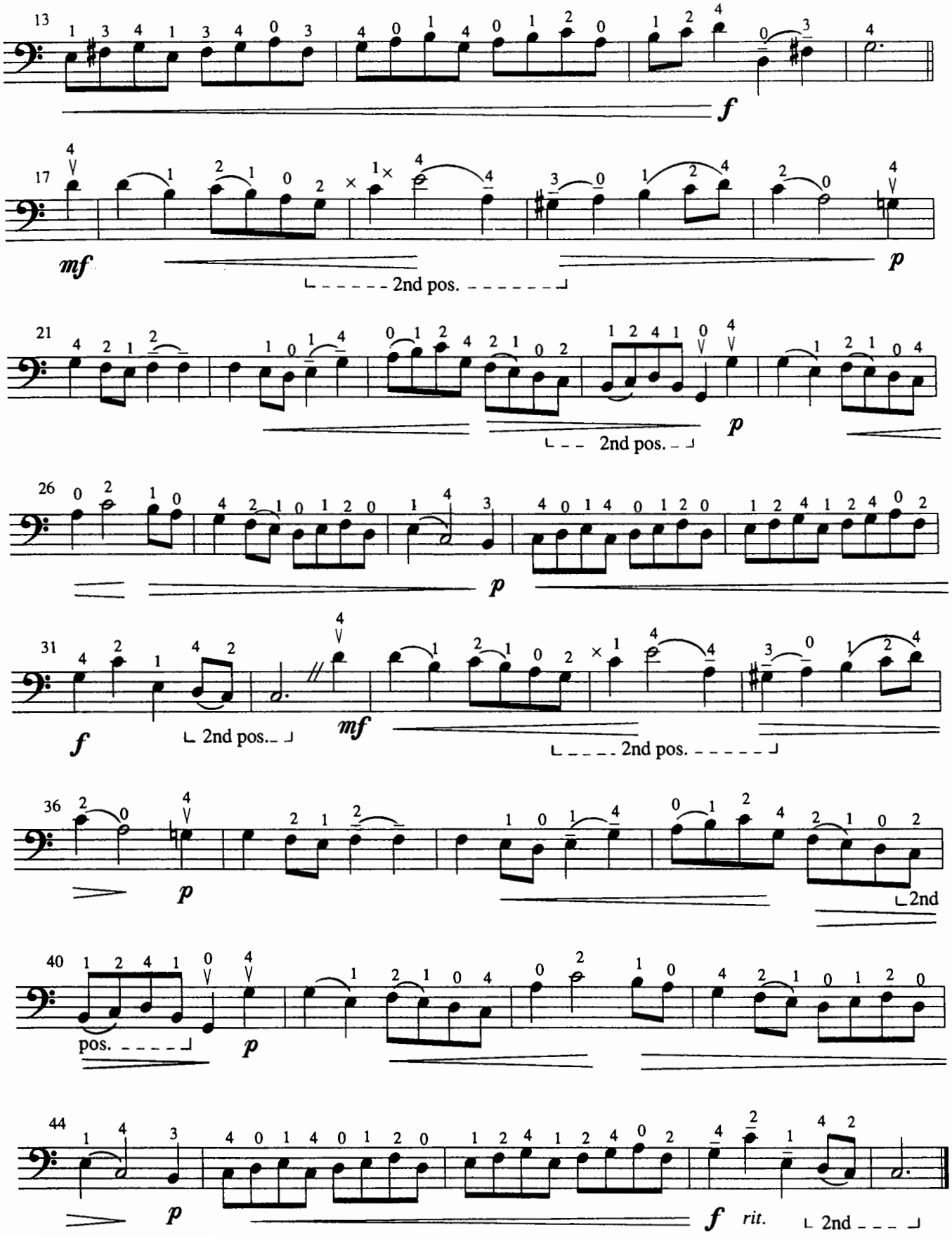


****Pluck the string with a finger of the right hand.

12 Bourrée

G. F. Handel

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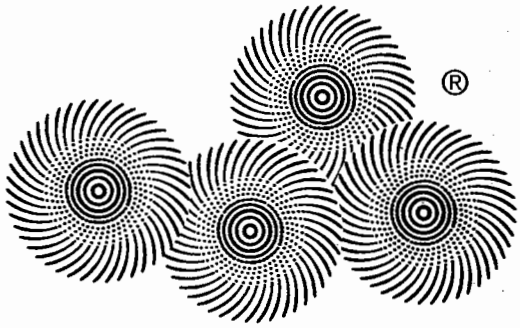

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