

# ATTO SECONDO

## SECOND ACT

### PRELUDIO, SCENA ED ARIA

#### PRELUDE, SCENE AND ARIA

ERNESTO

*SCENA I.* Sala in casa di Don Pasquale.  
*SCENE I.* Living room in Don Pasquale's house.

**Maestoso**

First system of the musical score, marked **Maestoso**. It features a piano introduction in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The right hand plays chords and moving lines, while the left hand provides a steady bass accompaniment. Dynamics include forte (*f*) and piano (*p*).

*cantabile*

Second system of the musical score, marked *cantabile*. The tempo is slower and more lyrical. The right hand has a melodic line with triplets, and the left hand has a rhythmic accompaniment. Dynamics include piano (*p*).

Third system of the musical score, continuing the *cantabile* section. The right hand continues the melodic line, and the left hand maintains the rhythmic accompaniment.

Fourth system of the musical score, concluding the *cantabile* section. The right hand has a final melodic phrase, and the left hand concludes the accompaniment.

First system of musical notation. The treble clef staff features a melodic line with a triplet of eighth notes and a slur over a group of notes. The bass clef staff contains a rhythmic accompaniment of eighth notes with a consistent pattern of eighth rests.

Second system of musical notation. The treble clef staff continues the melodic line with various note values and slurs. The bass clef staff maintains the eighth-note accompaniment pattern.

Third system of musical notation. The treble clef staff includes a dynamic marking *p* (piano) and a slur over a group of notes. The bass clef staff continues the eighth-note accompaniment.

Fourth system of musical notation. The treble clef staff shows a melodic line with slurs and ties. The bass clef staff continues the eighth-note accompaniment.

Fifth system of musical notation. The treble clef staff begins with a first ending bracket labeled **1**, followed by a dynamic marking *p* and a triplet of eighth notes. The system concludes with the tempo marking *lento* and the instruction *a piacere*. The bass clef staff continues the accompaniment.

Po - vero Er - ne - sto! dal - lo zio cac - cia - to, da tutti abban - do -  
 Pi - ty Er - nes - to! By my uncle banished; the world from me has

*Recitativo*

- na - to, mi restava un a - mi - co, e un coper - to ne - mi - co di - scopro in  
 vanished, the one friend who might aid me, is the one who be - trayed me. He is re -

lu - i, che a' danni miei con - giura. Per - der No - ri - na,  
 - vealed now, as one who planned my downfall. Los - ing No - ri - na,  
*Lento*

oh Di - o! Ben feci a le - i d'espri - mere in un foglio i sensi miei.  
 oh, Hea - ven! Yes it was better, my feelings I expressed to her in a letter.

O - ra in al - tra contra - da i giorni grami a - trasci - nar - si va - da.  
 Now a - broad I shall tra - vel, to live and suf - fer, as end - less days un - ravel.

**2** *Larghetto*

*p*

ERNESTO

*p*

Cer - che - rò lon - ta - na ter - ra do - ve  
Dis - tant lands I shall dis - cov - er, where no

*p*

ge - mer sco - no - sciu - to; là vi - vrò col cuo - re in  
stran - gers know my - sto - ry; There as - bro - ken heart - ed

*p*

guer - ra de - plo - rando il ben perdu - to, de - plo -  
lov - er will de - plore his loss of glo - ry, will de -

*p*

- rando il ben perdu - to;  
- plore his loss of glo - ry.

E

ma - nè sor - te a me ne - mi - ca, nè frap -  
 But though des - ti - ny tries to hurt me, puts be -

E

- po - sti mon - ti e mar, ti po - tran - no, dol - ce a -  
 - tween us moun - tain and sea, still my love will not de -

E

- mi - ca, dal mio co - re can - cel - lar, non ti po -  
 - sert me, still No - ri - na's I will be. Love won't de -  
*cresc. e accel.* *rall.*

E

- tranno dal mio co.re cancellar, non ti potranno dolce amica, dal mio core cancellar.  
 - sert me, still No - ri - na's I will be, my love for you will not desert me, still Norina's I will be.

**3** Moderato

*p*

ERNESTO

*p*

*a tempo*

E se fia che ad al-tro og-get-to tu ri-vol-ga un-gior-no il  
 And if in a new dir-ect-ion you should turn one day lov-ing

E  
 co-re, se mai fia che un nuo-vo af-fet-to speg-na in te l'an-tico ar-do -  
 gaz-es, if per-chance a new af-fect-ion comes to e-raise the old love's trac-

E  
 -re, non te-mer che un in-fe-li-ce te sper-giu-ra accu-si al-  
 -es; nev-er fear that I, tor-ment-ed would ac-cuse you, of ought to re-

E  
 ciel; se tu sei, ben mio, fe-li-ce, sa-rà pago il tuo fe-  
 -vile; for, my love, if you're con-tent-ed all my suff-ring has been worth-  
 accel.

E

- del, sa - rà pa - go il tuo fe - del, sa - rà pa - go il tu - o fe -  
 -while, all my suff - ring has been worth -while, all my suff - ring will have been worth -

*p*

*f* *p* *p*

E

- del. Cer - che -  
 while. Dis - tant

**4**  
*a tempo*

*p* *cresc.*

E

- rò lon - ta - na ter - ra do - ve ge - mer sco - no -  
 lands I shall dis - cov - er where no stran - gers know my

*f*

E

- sciu - to, sì! Ah! e se  
 sto - ry, yes! Ah! and if

*f* *p*

*a tempo*

E

fia che ad al troog. get - to tu ri - vol - ga un gior - no il co - re, se mai  
 in a new di - rect - ion you should turn one day lov - ing gaz - es, if per -

E

fia che un al tro af - fet - to spen - ga in te l'antico ardo re, non te -  
 - chance a new af - fect - ion comes to e - rase the old love's trac - es, nev - er

E

- mer che un in - fe - li - ce te sper - giu - ra accu - si al ciel; se tu  
 fear that I tor - ment - ed would ac - cuse you of ought to re - vile; for my

E

sei, ben mio, fe - li - ce, sa - rà pago il tuo fe - del, - sa - rà  
 love, if you're con - tent ed all my suff - ring has been worth - while, all my  
 accel.

E

pa - go il tuo fe - del, sa - rà pa - go il tu - o fe - del: se tu  
 suff - ring has been worth - while, all my suff - ring will have been worth - while; for my

**5** Poco meno

E  
 sei, ben mio, fe - li - ce sa - rà pa - go il tuo fe - del, sì, sa - rà  
 love, if you're con - tent - ed, all my suff - ring has been worth - while, yes, all my

E  
 pa - go, sa - rà pa - go il tuo fe - del, il  
 suff - ring, all my suff - ring has been worth - while, has

E  
 tuo fe - del, il tuo fe - del, il  
 been worth - while, has been worth - while, has

E  
 tuo fe - del.  
 been worth - while.

(leaves.)  
 (Parte.)