

5 - Maud's Theme

Music and Lyrics by Marion Abbott

The Upward Climb

Piano

The piano introduction is in 4/4 time with a tempo of quarter note = 79. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The first measure contains a chord of G4, B4, and D5, marked '8va'. The second measure has a half note G4. The third measure has a half note B4. The fourth measure has a half note D5. The fifth measure has a half note G4. The sixth measure has a half note B4. The seventh measure has a half note D5. The eighth measure has a half note G4. The ninth measure has a half note B4. The tenth measure has a half note D5. The eleventh measure has a half note G4. The twelfth measure has a half note B4. The thirteenth measure has a half note D5. The fourteenth measure has a half note G4. The fifteenth measure has a half note B4. The sixteenth measure has a half note D5. The piece concludes with a final G4. Performance markings include 'rit.' (ritardando) from measure 3 to 5, and 'a tempo' starting at measure 6. Fingerings 1-5 are indicated above the notes in measures 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.

M1

The eve - ning mist, the au - tumn sky, I hear the eve - ning breeze, it makes the pine trees

Pno

This system contains measures 6 through 9. The vocal line (M1) continues with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment (Pno) provides harmonic support with chords in the right hand and rests in the left hand. Measure 6: Chord G4. Measure 7: Chord B4. Measure 8: Chord D5. Measure 9: Chord G4.

M1

sigh. These sim - ple things, they fill my heart with joy. I walk this

Pno

This system contains measures 10 through 14. The vocal line (M1) continues with the lyrics. The piano accompaniment (Pno) continues with chords in the right hand and rests in the left hand. Measure 10: Chord G4. Measure 11: Chord B4. Measure 12: Chord D5. Measure 13: Chord G4. Measure 14: Chord B4.

15 $\text{♩} = 84$ 16 17 18

M1 path, I hear a bird, My soul is lift-ed by their song that has no words. I feel the

Pno

19 20 21 22

M1 moon, it shines its light on me. The

Pno

23 24 25

M1 star - light twink - ling through the trees, it takes my breath a - way and helps me rise a - bove the hor - rors

Pno

26 27 28 29

M1 of a - no - ther day oh God I thank you for these gifts that soothe my bat - tered soul. And

Pno