

PI TUNES

(Opus 3.14159)

Richard Meyer (ASCAP)

INSTRUMENTATION

Conductor Score	1
Violin I	8
Violin II	8
Viola	5
Cello	5
String Bass	5

We all remember encountering the irrational number “Pi” in math class, but what about music class?

Taking the first thirty-two digits of “Pi” (3.14159...) and assigning each digit to a degree of the major scale, Richard Meyer has created *Pi Tunes*, a charming original selection with a light jazz feel.

The sequence of digits is used to create five diverse (yet related) melodies that flow seamlessly together. Every section of the orchestra is featured at one time or another in the infectious tunes. Even the driving, modern-sounding accompaniments are fun to play! Your students will love deciphering the code here and figuring out how randomness can become order.



Pi Tunes

(Opus 3.14159)

CONDUCTOR SCORE

Duration - 4:20

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Allegro con spirito (♩ = 88)*div.***Violins****Viola****Cello****String Bass****Vlms.****Vla.****Cello****Str. Bass**

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

3 2 3 8 4 6 2 6 4 3 3 8

7 8 9

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

3 2 7 9 5 3 2 7 9 5 3 2 7 9 5

11

f *div.*

f *div.*

f *Play both times*

arco

10 11 12

To Coda ☐

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

13 14 15 16

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

17 18 19 20

mp

21 *div.*

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

21 22 23 24

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

25 26 27

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

mf *cresc.*

div. *cresc.*

mp cresc.

1 7 9 3 2 3 8 4 6

28 *cresc.* 29 30 31

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f *mf*

f *mp*

f *mp*

2 6 4 3 3 8 3 2 7

f *mf*

32 *mp* 33 34 35

37

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

mf

div.

p

9 5

36 37 38 39

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

mf

p

40 41 42 43

45

Vlns. I *f* *mp*

Vlns. II *f* *mp*

Vla. *f* *p*

Cello *f* *pizz.* *p*

Str. Bass *f* *pizz.* *p*

44 45 46 47

Vlns. I *cresc.*

Vlns. II *cresc.*

Vla. *mp cresc.*

Cello *arco* *cresc.*

Str. Bass *arco* *cresc.*

48 *mp* 49 *cresc.* 50 51

53

Vlns. I *f* *p*

Vlns. II *f* *p*

Vla. *f* *p*

Cello *f*

Str. Bass *f*

52 53 54 55

Vlns. I *f*

Vlns. II *f*

Vla. *f*

Cello *mp* *div.*

Str. Bass *mp*

56 57 58 59

62

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

div.

p

f

f

mp

f

f

mp

f

mp

f

60 61 62 63

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

64 65 66 67

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

68 69 70 71

f *dim.* *f* *f*

V *V* *V* *V*

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

72 73 74 75 76

rit. *div.* *p* *mp* *p* *p* *p* *p*

Andante espressivo ($\text{♩} = 120$)

mp *mp* *mp* *mp* *mp*

V *V* *V* *V* *V*

78

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

mf

mf

mf

f

div.

p

pizz.

mf

arco

mf

77 78 79 80 81 82

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

div.

mp

mp

p

Soli

mf

p

p

p

83 84 85 86 87 88

Score for measures 89-94, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass.

Measures 89-94 show a complex orchestral texture. Vlns. I and II play melodic lines with various articulations (accents, slurs, and a 'div.' marking). Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass provide harmonic support with sustained notes and chords. Dynamics include *mf* and *f*.

Measures 89 90 91 92 93 94

Score for measures 95-100, featuring Vlns. I & II, Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass.

Measures 95-100 continue the orchestral texture. Vlns. I and II play melodic lines, with Vln. II marked with a 'div.' and a 'V' marking. Vla., Cello, and Str. Bass provide harmonic support. Dynamics include *mp*, *p*, and *mf*.

Measures 95 96 97 98 99 100

106

V

mf

mp

p

p

p

101 102 103 104 105 *p* 106

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

107 108 109 110 111

116 A tempo

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

poco rit.

dim.

pp sotto voce

pp sotto voce

p sotto voce

pp sotto voce

p

112 113 114 115 116 117

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

mp

118 119 120 121 122 123

poco rit.

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

124 125 126 127 **pp** 128 129

132 **Tempo primo** (♩ = 88)

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

130 131 **p** 132 133 **D.C. al Coda**

$\oplus$ Coda

135

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

134 *mf* 135 136 137

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

138 139 140 141

143

div.

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f *p* *mf* *f* *p*

142 143 144 145

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f *mf* *f* *f* *p* *p* *div.* *f* *f* *p*

146 147 148 149

151

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

f

div.

f

150 151 152 153

Vlns. I

Vlns. II

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

p

p

p

p

154 155 156 157

161

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

cresc.

f

mf

f

158 159 160 161

Vlns.

Vla.

Cello

Str. Bass

(V)

162 163 164 165 166