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# The Twelve Trials of Hercules

for orchestra

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The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 3 -

7

Picc. *f*

Fl. 1/2 *f*

Ob. 1/2 *f*

B $\flat$  Cl. 1/2

Bn. *f*

Hn. 1/2 *f*

1 *f*

Tpt. 2/3 *f*

1/2 *f*

Trb. 3 *f*

Tuba *f*

Timp.

Perc.

I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for a symphony. The page is numbered '7' at the top left. It features a variety of instruments, each with its own staff. The Piccolo (Picc.) part is the most active, playing a complex melodic line with many triplets and slurs. The Flutes (Fl. 1/2), Oboes (Ob. 1/2), Bassoon (Bn.), and Horns (Hn. 1/2) parts are mostly sustained notes with a dynamic marking of *f*. The Clarinets (B $\flat$  Cl. 1/2) play a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The Trumpets (Tpt. 1, 2/3) and Trombones (Trb. 1/2, 3) play sustained notes, with the Trombones and Tuba also marked *f*. The Timpani (Timp.) and Percussion (Perc.) parts are mostly rests. The string section (Violins I and II, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass) plays sustained notes, with the Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass parts marked *f*. The score is written in a standard musical notation with various clefs and dynamic markings.

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This musical score page, numbered 9, features a variety of instruments. The woodwind section includes Piccolo (Picc.), Flute 1 and 2 (Fl. 1/2), Oboe 1 and 2 (Ob. 1/2), Bass Clarinet 1 and 2 (B♭ Cl. 1/2), Bassoon (Bn.), Horn 1 and 2 (Hn. 1/2), Trumpet 1 (Tpt. 1), Trumpet 2 and 3 (Tpt. 2/3), Trombone 1 and 2 (Trb. 1/2), Trombone 3 (Trb. 3), and Tuba. The percussion section includes Timpani (Timp.) and Percussion (Perc.). The string section consists of Violin I (Vln. I), Violin II (Vln. II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Contrabass (Cb.). The score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The woodwinds and brass play sustained notes with accents. The strings play a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with accents and triplets. Dynamics include *mf* (mezzo-forte), *p* (piano), and *pp* (pianissimo). A 'Senza sord.' (without mutes) instruction is present for the tuba. The page concludes with a triplet of eighth notes in the Cb. part.



The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 6 -

17

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B $\flat$  Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*mf*

1.

2. *mf*

Senza sord.

*f*

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 7 -

19

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*cresc.*

*ff*

*ff*

*pizz.*

*f*

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for an orchestral piece. The page is numbered 19 at the top left. The score is arranged in a standard orchestral layout with staves for various instruments. The Piccolo (Picc.) part is in the top staff, followed by Flutes (Fl. 1 and 2), Oboes (Ob. 1 and 2), Clarinets (B♭ Cl. 1 and 2), and Bassoon (Bn.). The Horns (Hn. 1 and 2) are in the next section, followed by Trumpets (Tpt. 1, 2, 3) and Trombones (Trb. 1, 2, 3). The Tuba, Timpani (Timp.), and Percussion (Perc.) are in the next section. The Violins (Vln. I and II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Contrabass (Cb.) are in the bottom section. The Flute part has a 'cresc.' marking. The Trumpet and Trombone parts have 'ff' markings. The Viola and Violoncello parts have 'pizz.' markings. The Violoncello part has a 'f' marking. The Percussion part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with accents. The Violin I part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The Violin II part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The Viola part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The Violoncello part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes. The Contrabass part has a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes.



The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 9 -

24 **B**

**Woodwinds:**  
Picc.: Rest  
Fl. 1/2:  $\sharp\sharp$  (F#4, G#4),  $\sharp$  (F#4), *f*, a 2  
Ob. 1/2:  $\sharp$  (F#4), Rest  
B $\flat$  Cl. 1/2:  $\sharp\sharp$  (F#4, G#4), Rest  
Bn.:  $\sharp$  (F#4), Rest

**Brass:**  
Hn. 1/2: Rest  
Tpt. 1:  $\sharp$  (F#4), Rest, *f*, Con sord.  
Tpt. 2/3:  $\sharp\sharp$  (F#4, G#4), Rest  
Trb. 1/2:  $\sharp\sharp$  (F#4, G#4), Rest  
Trb. 3:  $\sharp$  (F#4), Rest  
Tuba:  $\sharp$  (F#4), Rest

**Percussion:**  
Timp.:  $\flat$  (F4),  $\flat$  (F4),  $\flat$  (F4),  $\flat$  (F4),  $\flat$  (F4), *mp*, 3  
Perc.: Rest

**Strings:**  
**B**  
Vln. I:  $\sharp$  (F#4), *f*, *mp*  
Vln. II:  $\sharp$  (F#4), *f*, *mp*  
Vla.:  $\sharp$  (F#4), *f*, *mp*  
Vc.:  $\sharp$  (F#4), *f*, *mp*  
Cb.:  $\sharp$  (F#4), Rest, *mp*, arco, *mp*

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 10 -

26

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*f*

*pp*

*a 2*  
*Con sord.*

*pizz.*

A- A<sub>2</sub>

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 11 -

31

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*f*

*a 2*

*mp*

Con sord.

3







The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 15 -

41  $(\text{♩} = \text{♩})$  **C**

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B $\flat$  Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

(ad lib)

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 16 -

44

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1

Tpt. *mf*

2  
3

1  
2

Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I

Vln. *mf*

II *mf*

Vla. *mf*

Vc. *mf*

Cb. *mf*  
arco

*mf*

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for a symphony orchestra. The page is numbered 44 at the top left. It features 18 staves for various instruments. The woodwind section includes Piccolo (Picc.), Flute (Fl. 1 and 2), Oboe (Ob. 1 and 2), Bass Clarinet (B♭ Cl. 1 and 2), Bassoon (Bn.), Horn (Hn. 1 and 2), Trumpet (Tpt. 1, 2, and 3), Trombone (Trb. 1, 2, and 3), and Tuba. The percussion section includes Timpani (Timp.) and Percussion (Perc.). The string section includes Violin I (Vln. I), Violin II (Vln. II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Contrabass (Cb.). The woodwinds and strings are mostly silent, indicated by rests. The Trumpets 1, 2, and 3 play a melodic line starting in the second measure, marked with a *mf* dynamic. The Percussion part plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth-note triplets with accents and slurs. The strings play a single note in the final measure, marked with a *mf* dynamic and the instruction 'arco' for the Cb. staff.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 17 -

47

This musical score page, numbered 47, is for 'The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 17'. It features a full orchestral arrangement with the following parts and staves:

- Picc.** (Piccolo): Rests throughout.
- Fl. 1/2** (Flute 1 and 2): Rests throughout.
- Ob. 1/2** (Oboe 1 and 2): Rests in measures 1-2; enters in measure 3 with a melodic line starting on G4, marked *mf* and *a 2*.
- B♭ Cl. 1/2** (B-flat Clarinet 1 and 2): Rests throughout.
- Bn.** (Bassoon): Rests throughout.
- Hn. 1/2** (Horn 1 and 2): Rests throughout.
- Tpt. 1, 2, 3** (Trumpets 1, 2, and 3): Trumpet 1 has a half note G4 in measure 1. Trumpets 2 and 3 have a half note chord (G4, B4) in measure 1. They rest in measures 2 and 3.
- Trb. 1, 2, 3** (Trumpets 1, 2, and 3): Trumpet 1 has a half note G4 in measure 1. Trumpets 2 and 3 have a half note chord (G4, B4) in measure 1. They rest in measures 2 and 3.
- Tuba**: Rests throughout.
- Timp.** (Timpani): Rests throughout.
- Perc.** (Percussion): Plays a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes in groups of three, marked with accents and *mf*.
- I Vln.** (Violin I): Plays a melodic line starting on G4, marked *p.v.* and *mf*.
- II Vln.** (Violin II): Plays a melodic line starting on G4, marked *p.v.* and *mf*.
- Vla.** (Viola): Plays a melodic line starting on G4, marked *p.v.* and *mf*.
- Vc.** (Violoncello): Plays a melodic line starting on G4, marked *p.v.* and *mf*.
- Cb.** (Contrabass): Plays a melodic line starting on G4, marked *p.v.* and *mf*.

The score is written in 3/4 time and includes dynamic markings such as *mf* (mezzo-forte) and *p.v.* (pizzicato/vibrato). The woodwinds and strings have melodic lines, while the percussion provides a rhythmic accompaniment.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 18 -

50

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B $\flat$  Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

a 2

*mf*

*mf*

*f*

>

^

3

3

3

3

3



The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 20 -

56

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 21 -

59

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1

Tpt. 2  
3

1  
2

Trb. 3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*f*

*a2*

*f*

*a2*

*f*

*a2*

*f*

*a2*

*ff*

3

3

3

3

3



The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 23 -

66 D

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B $\flat$  Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1

Tpt. *ff*

2  
3

1  
2

Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I

Vln. *subito p*

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

D

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 24 -

70

Picc. *mp* *cresc.*

Fl. 1 2 *mp* *cresc.*

Ob. 1 2 *mp* *cresc.*

B♭ Cl. 1 2 *mp* *cresc.*

Bn.

Hn. 1 2

1

Tpt. 2 3

1 2

Trb. 3

Tuba

Timp. *cresc.*

Perc.

I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.



The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 26 -

76 E

**First System:**

- Picc.**: Treble clef, melodic line with slurs and dynamics *p*.
- Fl. 1/2**: Treble clef, melodic line with slurs and dynamics *p*.
- Ob. 1/2**: Treble clef, melodic line with slurs and dynamics *p*.
- B♭ Cl. 1/2**: Treble clef, melodic line with slurs and dynamics *p*.
- Bn.**: Bass clef, melodic line with slurs and dynamics *p*.
- Hn. 1/2**: Treble clef, rests.
- Tpt. 1**: Treble clef, melodic line, dynamics *mf*.
- Tpt. 2/3**: Treble clef, melodic line, dynamics *mf*.
- Trb. 1/2**: Bass clef, melodic line.
- Trb. 3**: Bass clef, melodic line.
- Tuba**: Bass clef, rests.
- Timp.**: Bass clef, triplet patterns with accents, dynamics *mp*, and a chord change *A<sub>b</sub>-A*.
- Perc.**: Percussion clef, rests.

**Second System:**

- I Vln.**: Treble clef, melodic line, dynamics *mp*.
- II Vln.**: Treble clef, melodic line, dynamics *mp*.
- Vla.**: Alto clef, melodic line, dynamics *mp*.
- Vc.**: Bass clef, melodic line, dynamics *mp*.
- Cb.**: Bass clef, melodic line, dynamics *mp*, with *pizz.* instruction.









The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 31 -

96

This musical score page, numbered 96, is for 'The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 31 -'. It features a full orchestral arrangement with the following parts:

- Woodwinds:** Piccolo (Picc.), Flute 1 and 2 (Fl. 1/2), Oboe 1 and 2 (Ob. 1/2), Bass Clarinet 1 and 2 (B♭ Cl. 1/2), and Bassoon (Bn.).
- Brass:** Horn 1 and 2 (Hn. 1/2), Trumpet 1, 2, and 3 (Tpt. 1/2/3), Trombone 1, 2, and 3 (Trb. 1/2/3), and Tuba.
- Percussion:** Timpani (Timp.) and Percussion (Perc.).
- Strings:** Violin I and II (Vln. I/II), Viola (Vla.), Violoncello (Vc.), and Contrabass (Cb.).

The score is written in 4/4 time and includes dynamic markings such as *f* (forte) and *f* Div. (divisi). It features various musical notations including slurs, accents, and triplets (marked with '3'). The woodwinds and strings play sustained melodic lines, while the brass and percussion provide rhythmic accompaniment with complex patterns and triplets.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 32 -

100 G

Picc. *ff*

Fl. 1 2 *ff*

Ob. 1 2 *ff*

B $\flat$  Cl. 1 2 *ff*

Bn.

Hn. 1 2 *ff*

1 *ff*

Tpt. 2 3 *ff*

1 2 *ff*

Trb. 3 *ff*

Tuba *ff*

Timp. *ff*

Perc. *f*

G *f*

I *ff*

Vln. II *ff*

Vla. *ff*

Vc. *ff*

Cb. *ff*  
arco



The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 34 -

106 *rit.*

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1

Tpt. 2  
3

1  
2

Trb. 3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

I

Vln. II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

*ff*

*rit.*



The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 36 -

112

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt. *ff*

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb. *ff*

3

Tuba *ff*

Timp. *ff*

Perc.

I  
Vln. *ff*

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

Detailed description: This is a page of a musical score for a symphony, specifically for the piece 'The Twelve Trials of Hercules'. The page is numbered 112. It features a large ensemble of instruments. The woodwind section includes Piccolo, Flutes (1 and 2), Oboes (1 and 2), Clarinets in B-flat (1 and 2), and Bassoon. The brass section includes Horns (1 and 2), Trumpets (1, 2, and 3), Trombones (1, 2, and 3), and Tuba. The percussion section includes Timpani and Percussion. The string section includes Violins (I and II), Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass. The score is written in a key signature of one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and a common time signature. The music is characterized by a strong rhythmic pulse, with many notes marked with accents and dynamic markings such as *ff* (fortissimo). The Piccolo part features a complex, rapid melodic line with many slurs and accents. The strings and brass provide a solid harmonic foundation, often playing sustained notes or rhythmic patterns. The overall texture is dense and powerful.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules- 37 -

( ♩ = 30 )

115

Picc.

Fl. 1  
2

Ob. 1  
2

B♭ Cl. 1  
2

Bn.

Hn. 1  
2

1  
Tpt.

2  
3

1  
2  
Trb.

3

Tuba

Timp.

Perc.

( ♩ = 30 )

I  
Vln.

II

Vla.

Vc.

Cb.

The Twelve Trials of Hercules - 38 -

116

Picc.  
Fl. 1  
2  
Ob. 1  
2  
B♭ Cl. 1  
2  
Bn.  
Hn. 1  
2  
1  
Tpt.  
2  
3  
1  
2  
Trb.  
3  
Tuba  
Timp.  
Perc.  
I  
Vln.  
II  
Vla.  
Vc.  
Cb.

Detailed description of the musical score: This page contains the musical score for measures 116 through 118. The Piccolo and Flute parts feature a melodic line with triplets of eighth notes. The Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Horn, Trumpet, Trombone, and Tuba parts play a sustained chord. The Timpani and Percussion parts play a rhythmic pattern. The Violin, Viola, Violoncello, and Contrabass parts play a sustained chord. The score is written in a key signature of one flat and a 4/4 time signature.