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Please remember the following if you are auditioning ONLY for YSII/CO:

- The tempos given for each excerpt are the tempos the excerpts are supposed to go at if you were performing it in an ensemble for a concert, but **you are not expected to go at those tempos**. Play each excerpt at a tempo that you can play it WELL at.
- Please prioritize playing the correct notes with accurate intonation, rhythm, and dynamics/phrasings over trying to play it up to tempo.

YSII/CO Viola Excerpt #1 of 2: Brahms Symphony No. 4, 3rd Movement

- Time Signature: 2/4
- **Key Signature:** No sharps or flats, C-Major
- **Tempo of Piece:** Quarter Note = 120-132
- Other Information:
 - Bowings are suggested for this excerpt. You can change the bowings as long as you
 maintain the integrity of the piece and phrasing.
 - o For the double stops Please play the TOP notes only.



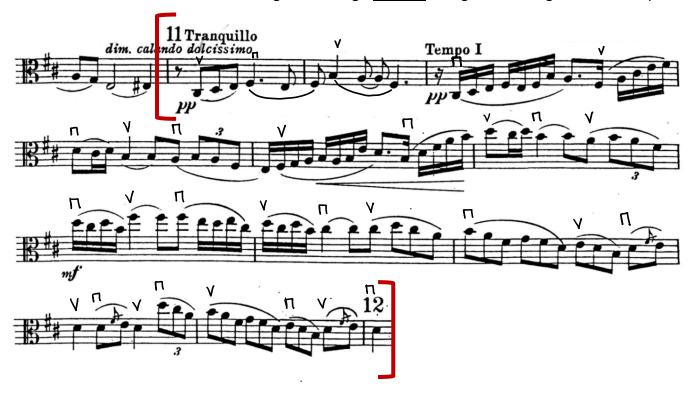
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YSII/CO Viola Excerpt #2 of 2: An Irish Melody 'The Londonderry Air', H. 86 by Frank Bridge

- Time Signature: 4/4
- **Key Signature:** 2 sharps, D-Major
- Tempo of Piece: Quarter Note = 72-80
- Other Instructions: Please follow given bowings. <u>DO NOT</u> change the bowings for this excerpt.



- If you are only auditioning to try to get into YSII or CO You only need to do these two excerpts and are NOT expected to go at the tempos listed for each excerpt.
- If you are auditioning to try to get into YSI You must do these two YSII/CO excerpts AND the YSI excerpts for Viola AND you are expected to get the excerpts up to tempo or very close to the tempos in the time given to learn the excerpts.

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Please remember the following if you are auditioning for YSI:

- You are required to also do all the YSII/CO audition excerpts for viola in addition to this excerpt.
- Those auditioning for YSI are expected to be able to learn the excerpts in the given time and get all the excerpts (YSI & YSII/CO) at or close to the tempos given on the music.

YSI Viola Excerpt #1 of 1: Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5 in E minor, Op. 64, 3rd movement

- Time Signature: 3/4
- **Key Signature:** 3 sharps, F# minor
- Expected Tempo for Audition: Quarter Note = 132-144
- Other Instructions:
 - O Play the TOP notes if there is a divisi and SKIP rests that are longer than 1 measure.
 - O Bowings are at the discretion of the student but should keep the integrity of the phrases and the piece. Sixteenth notes should be played <u>spiccato</u>.
 - O Measures 119-122 are in TREBLE CLEF (DO NOT play the Violin 1 cue notes in m. 118-119. Viola starts playing on beat 3 of m. 119) and the viola part returns to ALTO CLEF in m. 123.

