

A

**A tempo, Tempo Primo** - back to the original tempo(after a *Rit.*, *Rall.*, or *Accel.*)

**Adagio** - a tempo marking which indicates the piece is to be played slowly

**Agitato** - "agitated" or restless

**Allegro** - a fast, lively tempo

**Allegretto** - a little slower than *allegro*, but faster than *largo*

B

**Brio** - roughly translated as "verve" or "gusto"

C

**Cantabile** - "singing" style

**con** - with

**Con fuoco** - with fire

**Con moto** - with movement

D

**Dim., diminuendo** - getting softer

**dolce, dolcemente** - sweetly

E

**e, et, ed** - and

**Espressivo** - expressively or with expression

F

**f, forte** - strong loud

**ff, fortissimo** - very loud

**Furioso** - furiously

G

**Giocoso** - merrily

**Grave** - slowly, gravely, solemnly

L

**Langsam** (Ger.) - slow

**Largo** - broadly and slowly, but not as slow as *grave*

**Larghetto** rather broadly

M

**mf** - moderately loud

**mp** - moderately soft

**m.s., m.g., l.h.** - left hand

**marcato, marque** - marked, stressed

**Andante** - moderately slow tempo

**Andantino** - little slower than *Andante*

**Animato, animado** - animated

**Appassionato** - passionately

**Attacca** - continue without pause

**Accelerando** - increasing the pace

**Allargando**-Broadening out

**Con spirito** - with spirit

**crescendo, cresc.** - growing louder

**Calando** - getting slower & softer(dying away)

**douloureux, doloroso** - sorrowful

**dolente** - sorrowfully

**Expressivo** - expressively

**Fermata**- pause

**Fine** - the end

**Grazioso** - gracefully or with grace

**Legato** - play smoothly with no separation between the notes

**Leggiero** - Lightly

**lent, lento** - slow

**meno** - less

**meno mosso** - slacken the pace

**moderato, modere** - moderate

**Molto** - very, much

**Mosso** - movement (or agitation)

**Maestoso** - majestic, stately

N

**Non troppo** - not too much

P

**p, piano** - soft

**pp, ppp, pianissimo** - very soft

**ped., con pedale** - with pedal

**pie, plus** - more

**poco, poco a poco** - little, little by little

R

**Rall., rallentando** - slowing down

**rit., ritard, ritardano, ritenuto, reteno** -  
holding back

S

**sf, sff, sfz, fz** - accent

**sans** - without

**Semplice** - with simplicity

**Sempre** - always

**Simile** - same

T

**tr** - trill

**Tranquillo** - calm, tranquil

U

**Un peu, un poco** - a little

V

**Vite** - Rapid

**Vivace** - lively and fast

**Vivacissimo** - as lively and fast as possible

**Volta** - time (2da volta= second time  
through

**Ma non troppo** - without rushing

**Non tanto** - not so much

**Presto** - fast

**Prestissimo** - as fast as possible

**Pesante** - heavily

**Piangevole** - plaintively

**Perdendosi** - dying away

**Risoluto** - determined

**Sostenuto** - sustained

**Subito** - suddenly

**Stringendo** - getting faster

**Sotto voce** - under the voice

**Strepitoso** - noisily

**Tenuto** - held, sustained

