

# All-State: New Music Reading List Favorites

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The annual New Music Reading Clinic was held this year during the All-State Teachers Workshop. Here are the favorites!

## Elementary Level

*The Happy Go Lucky Jumping Bean* by Frank Rodgers, MSB Publishing, \$40. Needs piano; key of D; *Tango*; all instruments share the melody.

*String-a-Ling* by Frank Rodgers, MSB Publishing, \$40. Needs piano; key of D; has bits of *Old MacDonald* and *Twinkle* shared between instruments.

*Lightly Row Ramble* by Joseph Phillips, Northfield Press, \$35. Great for beginners; melody is passed around; lots of practice with rests.

*Sleigh Ride: German Dance No. 3* by Mozart/S. Dackow, Ludwig, \$30. 1st position; has harp part and beginner parts for large festivals; slurs and hooked bowing.

*The Abilene Stage* by M. L. Daniels, Northfield Press, \$50. Keys of G and C; three movements: *Stagecoach*, *Prairie Dog*, *Around the Campfire*; varied techniques.

## Intermediate Level

*Colors and Dances* by Michael Levi, Northfield Press, \$55. Key of G; four movements: *Unsquare Dance* (mixed meters), *Bluesy*, *Spanish*, and *Ragtime*.

*Celtic Lullaby* by Jay-Martin Pinner, Pinner Publications, \$35. Key of C; viola and cello both have melody; cello uses 2nd position; optional 3rd position for violin.

*Goblin Dance* by Doug Spata, Alfred, \$40. Features viola section; 7th graders loved it.

*Mission Song* by J. S. Bach/D. Gazda, Kjos, \$35. Keys of C and D; harp and guitar parts;  $\frac{6}{8}$  active cello part.

*For the Star of County Down, The Gallagher Gal* by Deborah B. Monda, Kjos, \$38. Key of G;  $\frac{6}{8}$ ; expressive and interesting sections; Irish jigs; vamps with added percussive sounds.

## Advanced Level

*Declarations* by Jeffrey Bishop, Kjos, \$35. Key of C; cellos active and in 4th position; modern and rhythmic.

*Allegro from Symphony No. 16 in C Major; K. 128* by Mozart/Dackow, Ludwig, \$35.  $\frac{6}{8}$ ; easy 3rd position for violins.

*Wedding Day at Trollhaugen* by Grieg/C. Gruselle, Alfred, \$50.

*Fanfare, Air and Allegro* by deFesch/Fisher, HB Fisher, \$30. Baroque-style; active, fun Allegro!

*Young Prince and Princess from "Scheherazade"* by Rimsky-Korsakov/Hopkins, Alfred, \$45. †