

Dragon guarding treasure

from a small, edible intruder

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Cello

Sleepy, dark ♩ = 90

pp *p* *pp* *p* *pp*

Mischievous (same, ♩ = 180)

3

pp *p* *mp* *pp* *pp* exact tuning/pitch is unimportant

6 (8^{va})

p *pp* *f*

Awakening ♩ = 90

12

arco

(arco) sul pont.

arco e normale

Bright, sparkling

p *sf* *pizz.* *p* *sf* *pizz.* *p* *sf* *col legno* *p* *f* *pp*

15

pizz.

arco

p *mp* *p*

Flying ♩ = 80

19

col legno

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

22

3

24

3

shape each beat similarly, even during the general crescendo

25

accel.

Chasing! ♩ = 100

26

fff

Tumbling ♩ = 76

27

ff

sul II

III

5

5

quick *pp*

31

p

pp

p

pp

f

f < *ff*

pizz.

arco

col legno

arco behind bridge

3

Struggling! ♩ = 180

36

ff

6

6

16

6

40 **Devouring...** ♩ = 66
nasty and grating
sempre ff

44 **Restful, content** ♩ = 90
move bowing towards bridge
sul pont.
slide to end of strings
niente
pp < *p* > *pp* < *p* >

49 **But not for long...** ♩ = 76
pp *pp* *pp* *pp* *sf* *niente*

questioning the capitalistic valuation of wealth over all other things

recognizing that the treasure does not actually bring comfort, but rather is an arbitrary material object

harsh attack
realizing they are a living being for it