

# Le petit nègre

(The Little Negro)

Claude Debussy (1862–1918)

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**Allegro giusto** (♩ = 108)

Musical notation for measures 1-5. The music is in 2/4 time and features a rhythmic pattern of eighth notes with slurs. Dynamics include *f* très rythmé, *f*, and *mf e dim.*

Musical notation for measures 6-11. The music continues with eighth notes and slurs. Dynamics include *f*, *mf*, and *dim.*

Musical notation for measures 12-17. The music features a crescendo leading to a forte section. Dynamics include *cresc. molto* and *f*. The instruction **Un peu retenu** is placed above the final measure.

Musical notation for measures 18-25. The music is marked **a Tempo** and features a soft, expressive passage. Dynamics include *pp* and *p*. The instruction *doux et expressif* is written below the staff.

Musical notation for measures 26-32. The music features a long, sweeping melodic line. Dynamics include *pp*.

Musical notation for measures 33-38. The music features a melodic line with a **Retenu** instruction above the final measure. Dynamics include *p*.

Musical notation for measures 39-44. The music returns to a rhythmic eighth-note pattern. Dynamics include *ff* and *mf e dim.*. The instruction **a Tempo** is placed above the first measure.

44 Musical staff 44: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 44-48. Dynamics: *f*, *mf*.

49 Musical staff 49: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 49-53. Dynamics: *dim.*, *cresc. molto*.

54 Musical staff 54: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 54-60. Dynamics: *ff*, *pp*, *doux et expressif*, *p*.

61 Musical staff 61: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 61-65. Dynamics: *pp*, *p*.

68 Musical staff 68: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 68-72. Dynamics: *cresc.*, *f*, *ff*. Performance markings: **Retenu**, **a Tempo**.

73 Musical staff 73: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 73-77. Dynamics: *mf e dim.*

78 Musical staff 78: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 78-82. Dynamics: *f*, *mf*, *dim.*

83 Musical staff 83: Treble clef, 4/4 time. Measures 83-87. Dynamics: *cresc. molto*, *ff*.