

KENDOR CADET STRING ORCHESTRA SERIES

El Gato Precario (The Precarious Cat)

GRADE 2+ • DURATION 2:25

by Jeffrey Frizzi

INSTRUMENTATION

- 1 - Full Score
- 8 - 1st Violin
- 8 - 2nd Violin
- 3 - 3rd Violin (Viola T.C.)
- 5 - Viola
- 5 - Cello
- 5 - Bass
- 1 - Piano (opt.)

EXTRA SCORES & PARTS AVAILABLE

To The Director

This piece was written to depict my family's cat that can, like most cats, be temperamental and unpredictable at times.

The syncopation written in the first 4 measures and again at measure 53 can be taught to the entire orchestra simultaneously. It should be stressed that these and any other syncopated rhythms must not be rushed. Steady subdivision of the pulse will help to ensure accurate syncopation. Also, remind the players of the recurring Bb, especially 1st Violins when playing Bb in 3rd position.

In measure 36, the basses should know that they are the only ones playing, and that it is important to the end of the phrase that this measure be strong and present.

At measure 57, the violas should work to bring out the marked accents to continue the strong Latin feel.

A recording of this piece can be downloaded at www.kendormusic.com

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FULL SCORE

Allegro ♩ = 126

1st Violin *f* *pizz.* *arco* *mf*

2nd Violin *f* *pizz.* *arco* *mf*

Viola (Same part provided for 3rd Violin) *f* *pizz.* *arco* *mf*

Cello *f* *pizz.*

Bass *f* *pizz.*

1 2 3 4

Opt. piano part also included

5

4

arco *mf*

mp

5 *mp* 6 7 8

9 10 11 12

13

Musical score for measures 13-16. The score consists of five staves: two treble clefs, two bass clefs, and a double bass clef. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). Measure 13 starts with a treble clef staff containing a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass clef staff contains a half note G2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note B2. Measures 14-16 continue with similar rhythmic patterns and melodic lines. A large purple watermark 'FOR PREVIEW ONLY' is overlaid across the score.

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Musical score for measures 17-20. The score continues with five staves. Measure 17 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. Measure 18 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. Measure 19 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. Measure 20 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass clef staff contains a half note G2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note B2. A large purple watermark 'REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED' is overlaid across the score.

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21

Musical score for measures 21-24. The score consists of five staves. Measure 21 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass clef staff contains a half note G2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note B2. Measure 22 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass clef staff contains a half note G2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note B2. Measure 23 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass clef staff contains a half note G2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note B2. Measure 24 has a treble clef staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note B4. The bass clef staff contains a half note G2, a quarter note A2, and a quarter note B2. A large purple watermark 'KendorMusic.com' is overlaid across the score.

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Musical score for measures 25-28. The score is written for five staves: two treble clefs, two alto clefs, and one bass clef. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). Measures 25-28 show a complex rhythmic pattern with eighth and sixteenth notes. A large purple watermark 'FOR PREVIEW ONLY' is overlaid across the score.

Musical score for measures 29-32. The score continues with the same five-staff arrangement. Measures 29-32 feature a similar rhythmic pattern. A box containing the number '29' is located at the start of the first staff. The word 'arco' is written above the first and second staves in measure 32, and the dynamic marking 'f' (forte) is placed below the first, second, and fifth staves in measure 32. A large purple watermark 'REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED' is overlaid across the score.

Musical score for measures 33-36. The score continues with the same five-staff arrangement. Measures 33-36 show a change in the melodic line. The dynamic marking 'f' is present at the beginning of measure 33. The word 'div.' is written above the first staff in measure 34, with a '2' above it. In measure 35, there are markings for 'III' and '4' above the first staff. A large purple watermark 'KendorMusic.com' is overlaid across the score.

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Musical score for measures 37-40. The score is in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat. It features four staves: two treble clefs and two bass clefs. The first two staves are marked *pizz.* and *mp*. The third staff is marked *pizz.* and *mp*. The fourth staff is empty. A large purple watermark 'FOR PREVIEW ONLY' is overlaid on the score.

37 38 39 40

Musical score for measures 41-44. The score is in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat. It features four staves. The first two staves are marked *f*. The third staff is marked *f*. The fourth staff is marked *arco* and *mp*. A large purple watermark 'REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED' is overlaid on the score.

41 42 43 44

45

Musical score for measures 45-48. The score is in 2/4 time with a key signature of one flat. It features four staves. The first staff is marked *mp*. The second staff is marked *mp*. The third staff is marked *pizz.* and *mp*. The fourth staff is marked *pizz.* and *mp*. A large purple watermark 'KendorMusic.com' is overlaid on the score.

45 46 47 48

Musical score for measures 49-52. The score is written for four staves: two treble clefs and two bass clefs. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The music consists of eighth and sixteenth notes. A large purple watermark 'FOR PREVIEW ONLY' is overlaid across the score.

53

Musical score for measures 53-56. The score is written for four staves. It includes dynamic markings such as *f* and *pizz.* (pizzicato). The word *arco* is written above the notes in measures 55 and 56. A large purple watermark 'REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED' is overlaid across the score.

57

Musical score for measures 57-60. The score is written for four staves. It includes dynamic markings such as *f* and *arco*. A large purple watermark 'KendorMusic.com' is overlaid across the score.

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Musical score for measures 61-64. The score is written for five staves: two treble clefs, one alto clef, and two bass clefs. Measure 61 includes fingering '1' and 'III'. Measure 62 includes fingering '4', 'L3', and '2'. Measure 64 includes fingering '1'. A large purple watermark 'FOR PREVIEW ONLY' is overlaid across the score.

Musical score for measures 65-68. The score is written for five staves: two treble clefs, one alto clef, and two bass clefs. Measure 65 includes fingering '1'. Measure 67 includes fingering 'L1' and '1'. A large purple watermark 'REPRODUCTION PROHIBITED' is overlaid across the score.

Musical score for measures 69-72. The score is written for five staves: two treble clefs, one alto clef, and two bass clefs. Measure 72 includes the dynamic marking 'ff'. A large purple watermark 'KendorMusic.com' is overlaid across the score.

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73

73 74 75 76

ff

ff

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