

## Graces, Marks, Signs and Words.

The principal *Graces* of melody—used in modern music—are—the *Appoggiatura*, the *Crochet* (>) or (A), the *Bind* or *Slur*, the *Turn* (S or Z), the *Mordente* (o), the *Troll*, or *Shake* (r), etc., all of which may be found in a Dictionary of Musical terms.

Written:    
**THE APPOGGIATURA.**  
 Played: 

A *Bind* (—). A curved line, uniting two notes of the same name. *Slur*, also marked (—), indicates that the notes are to be played smoothly, with one stroke of the tongue at the beginning of the Slur.

Written:    
**THE TURN**  
 Played:   
  
 Written:    
**THE MORDENTE**  
 Played: 

A *Pause* (□), prolongs a note or rest, beyond its proper value; it is also used to indicate a finish.

Written:    
**THE SHARE.**  
 Played: 

*D. C. Da Capo*—from the beginning. *D. S. Dal Segno*—from the §.  
*mf* *mezzo-forte*—rather loud. *f forte*—loud. *ff double-forte*—very loud.  
*p piano*—softly. *pp double piano*—very softly.  
*sf sfz sforzando*—emphasised. *Unis.* *Unisoni*—together.  
*cresc.* *crescendo* or —— with increasing tone.  
*decrec.* *decreasing* or —— *dim.* *diminuendo*—with decreasing tone.  
*leg.* *legato*—in a gliding style. *stacc.* *staccato*—detached, distinct.  
*dol.* *dolor*—sweetly. *Cantabile*—in a singing style.  
*Assai*—very. *Molto*—much. *Sempre*—always. *a tempo*—In time.  
*Mod?* *Moderato*—Moderately. *Largo*—broad, dignified. *Maestoso*—Majestically.  
*Piu mosso*—more quickly. *Meno mosso*—less quickly.  
*poco a poco*—little by little. *Sostenuto*—sustained.  
*string*. *stringendo* or *rrrl.* *accelerando*—increasing the time.  
*Rall.* *Rallentando* or *Rit.* *Ritardando*—decreasing the time.  
*Lento*—slow, lingering. *Larghetto*—not so slow as Lento.  
*Adagio*—slowly, leisurely. *Andantino*—slower than Adante.  
*Andante*—moving easily. *Allegretto*—quicker than Andante.  
*Allegro*—lively, briskly. *Vivace* or *Vivo*—quicker than Allegro.  
*Presto*—quickly, rapidly. *Prestissimo*—at the utmost speed.