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Minuet In G - Anh. 116

Practice Guide

My goal with this book is to help piano students **practice more effectively, practice more intelligently, and learn their pieces faster.**

This practice guide is designed to break a musical work into focused, manageable sections with an emphasis on the **technical and notational side of piano playing**. The purpose is to reinforce **notes, rhythms, coordination, and hand confidence** through systematic repetition and clear practice targets. By isolating specific measures and working on them in an organized way, students can build **security, consistency, and control** before reintegrating the piece as a whole.

This guide is intentionally limited in scope. It is meant to strengthen **mechanical accuracy and technical reliability**, not to provide full instruction on interpretation or artistry. To achieve complete mastery, the student must go beyond the suggestions in this book. There is more to music than learning the notes, and true musicianship involves **tone, balance, articulation, phrasing, rhythmic stability, and expressive intention**.

Use this guide as the first step in the learning process — to secure the technical foundation and physical confidence at the keyboard — and then focus on **musical shaping, tone production, balance, phrasing, articulation, and expressive detail** in your full practice and performance.

Enjoy!

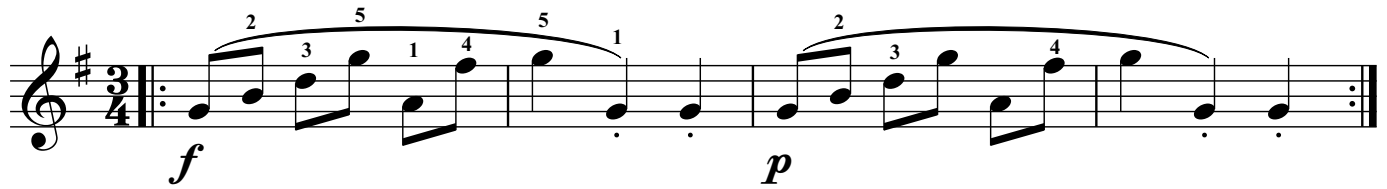
— **Michael Kravchuk**

Founder of Road to Virtuosity (RTV)

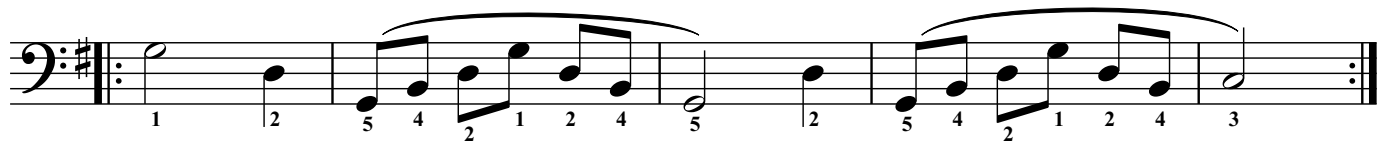
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1. Measure #1 - 4 - *Right Hand Only*



2. Measure #1 - 4 - *Left Hand Only*



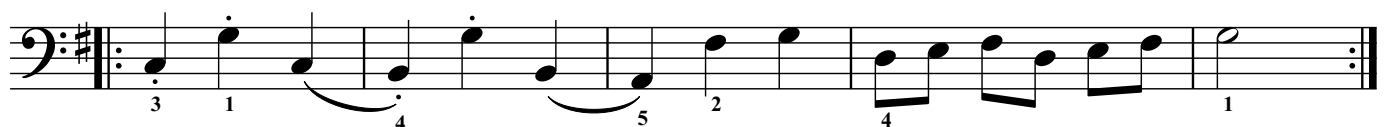
3. Measure #1 - 4 - *Hands Together*

Full musical notation for measures 1-4, showing both hands. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The first measure starts with a forte (*f*) dynamic for the right hand and a forte (*f*) dynamic for the left hand. The second measure starts with a piano (*p*) dynamic for the right hand and a piano (*p*) dynamic for the left hand. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

4. Measure #5 - 8 - *Right Hand Only*



5. Measure #5 - 8 - *Left Hand Only*



6. Measure #5 - 8 - Hands Together

7. Measure #13 - 16 - Right Hand Only

8. Measure #13 - 16 - Left Hand Only

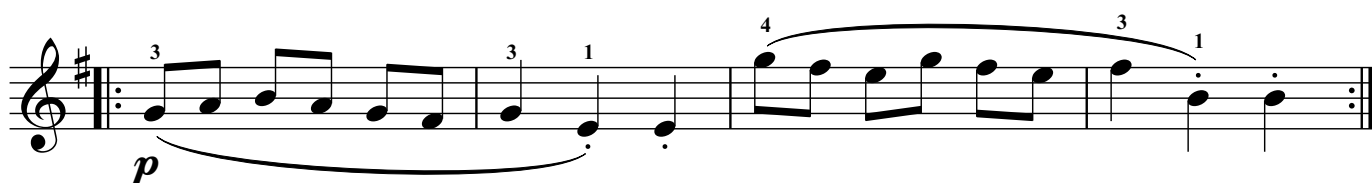
9. Measure #13 - 16 - Hands Together

10. Measure #1 - 16 - Right Hand Only

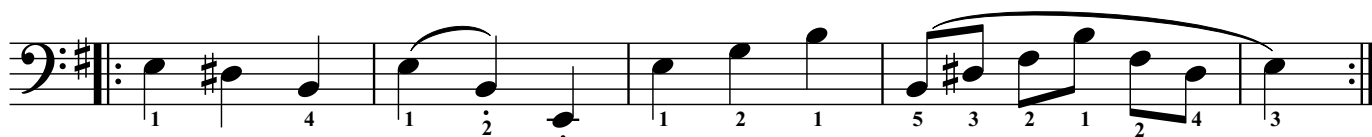
11. Measure #1 - 16 - *Left Hand Only*

12. Measure #1 - 16 - *Hands Together*

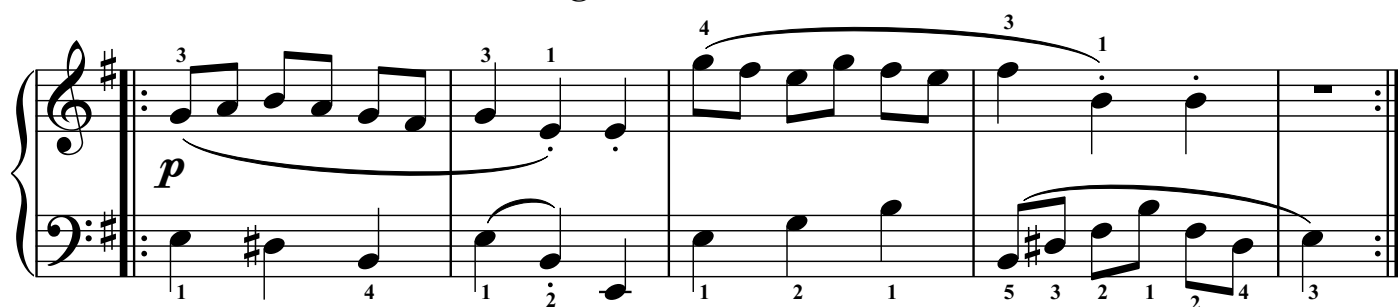
13. Measure #17 - 20 - Right Hand Only



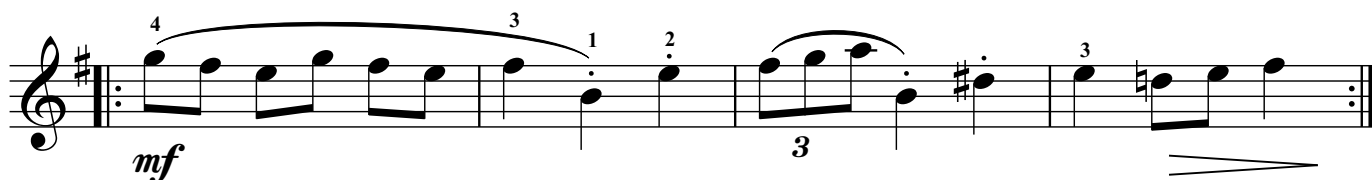
14. Measure #17 - 20 - Left Hand Only



15. Measure #17 - 20 - Hands Together



16. Measure #21 - 24 - Right Hand Only



17. Measure #21 - 24 - Left Hand Only



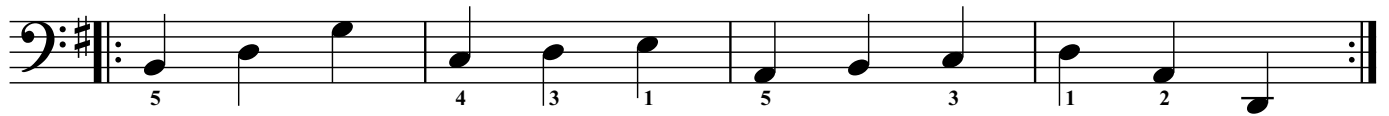
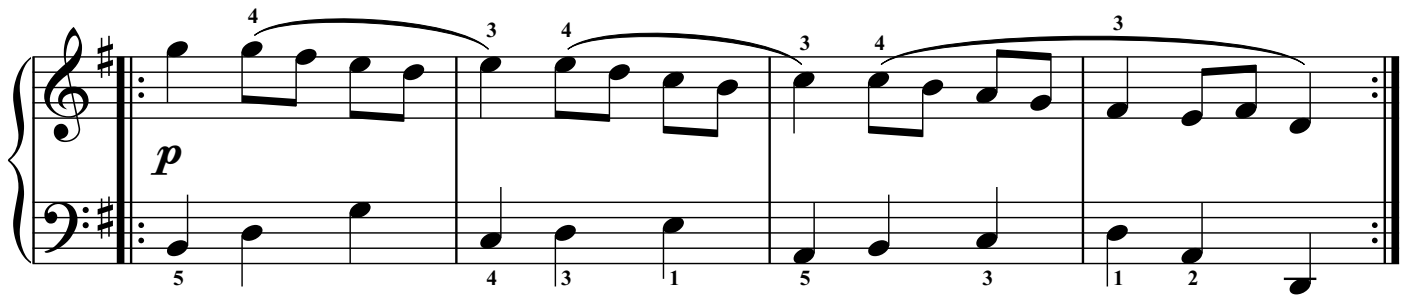
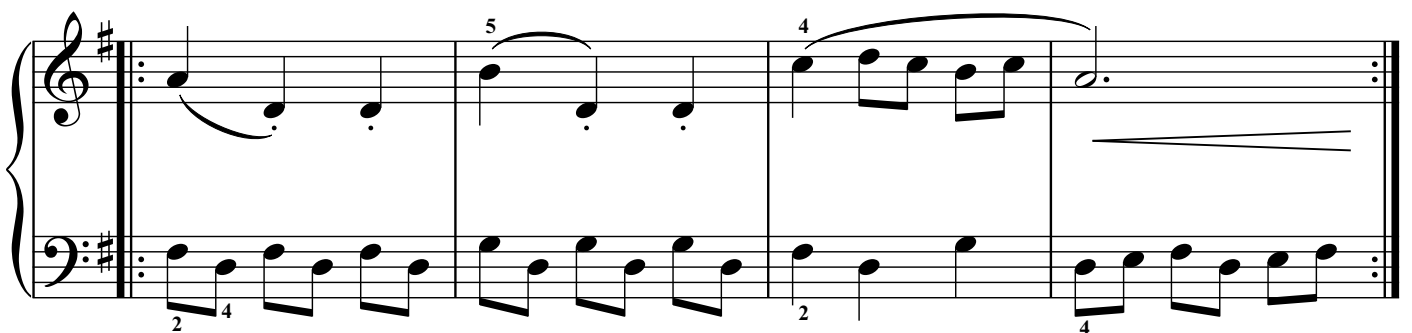
18. Measure #21 - 24 - Hands Together



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20. Measure #17 - 24 - *Left Hand Only*

21. Measure #17 - 24 - *Hands Together*

22. Measure #25 - 28 - Right Hand Only**23. Measure #25 - 28 - Left Hand Only****24. Measure #25 - 28 - Hands Together****25. Measure #29 - 32 - Right Hand Only****26. Measure #29 - 32 - Left Hand Only****27. Measure #29 - 32 - Hands Together**

28. Measure #17 - 24 - Right Hand Only

Exercise 28, Right Hand Only, measures 17-24. The music is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The melody consists of eighth-note patterns with slurs and fingerings (4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3). The piece concludes with a final measure containing a half note and a fermata, followed by a double bar line.

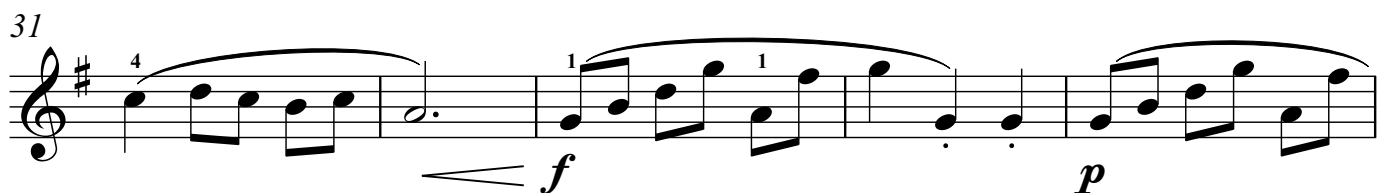
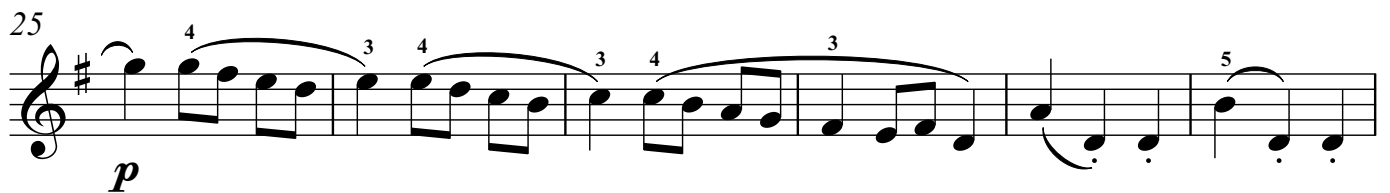
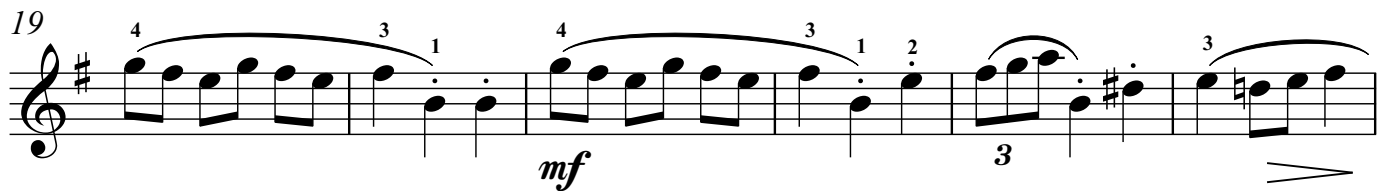
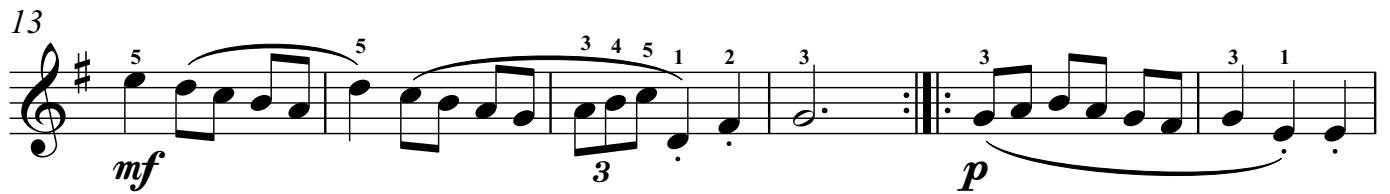
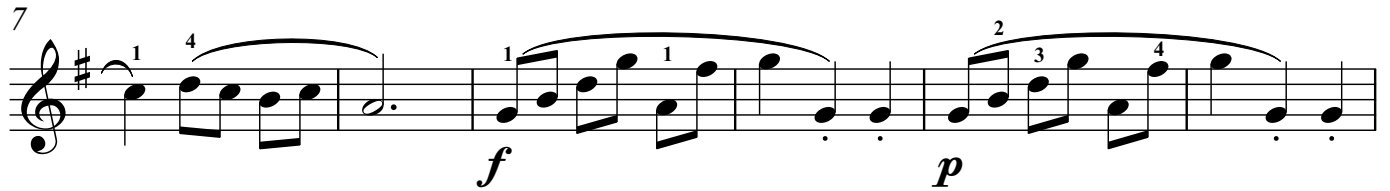
29. Measure #17 - 24 - Left Hand Only

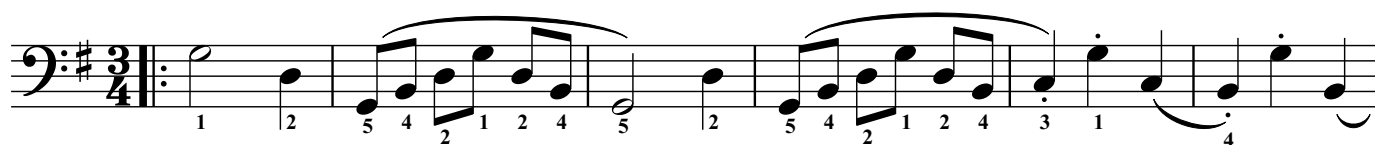
Exercise 29, Left Hand Only, measures 17-24. The music is in bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bass line features eighth-note patterns with slurs and fingerings (5, 4, 3, 1, 5, 3, 1, 2). The piece concludes with a final measure containing a half note and a fermata, followed by a double bar line.

30. Measure #17 - 24 - Hands Together

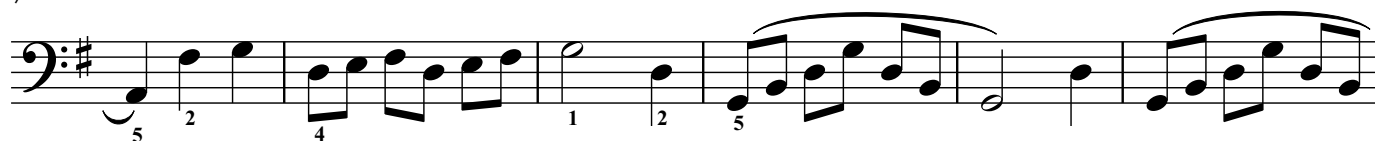
Exercise 30, Hands Together, measures 17-24. The music is in grand staff (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The right hand part is identical to exercise 28, and the left hand part is identical to exercise 29. The piece concludes with a final measure containing a half note and a fermata, followed by a double bar line.

31. Measure #1 - 40 - Right Hand Only

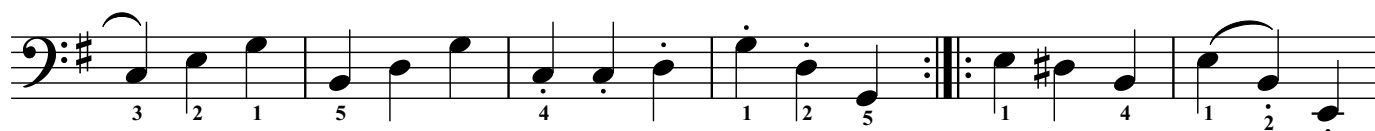


32. Measure #1 - 40 - Left Hand Only

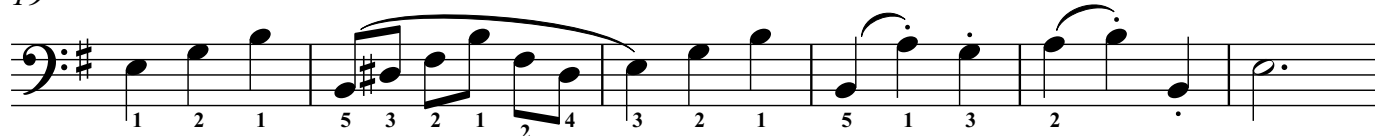
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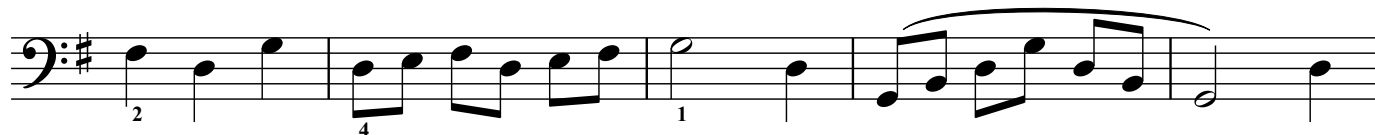
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First system of the musical score, measures 1-4. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. The piece begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic in measure 1, followed by a piano (*p*) dynamic in measure 3. The right hand features a series of eighth-note patterns with fingerings 2, 3, 5, 1, 4, 5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. The left hand provides a steady accompaniment with fingerings 1, 2, 5, 4, 2, 1, 2, 4, 5, 2, 5, 4, 2, 1, 2, 4.

Second system of the musical score, measures 5-8. The dynamic is mezzo-forte (*mf*). The right hand continues with eighth-note patterns, including fingerings 5, 3, 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. The left hand accompaniment includes fingerings 3, 1, 4, 5, 2, 4.

Third system of the musical score, measures 9-12. The dynamic returns to forte (*f*) in measure 9 and then to piano (*p*) in measure 11. The right hand features eighth-note patterns with fingerings 1, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. The left hand accompaniment includes fingerings 1, 2, 5, 4, 2, 1, 2, 4.

Fourth system of the musical score, measures 13-16. The dynamic is mezzo-forte (*mf*). The right hand concludes with eighth-note patterns and fingerings 5, 5, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2, 3. The left hand accompaniment includes fingerings 3, 2, 1, 5, 4, 1, 2, 5, ending with a double bar line.

12 *17*

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p

3 1 4 3 1

1 4 1 2 1 5 3 2 1 2 4

The first system of the musical score for 'The Little Boat' consists of two staves. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a time signature of 2/1. The melody starts on a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a half note B4. This is followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note F#4, and a half note E4. The melody continues with a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, and a half note B3. The bass staff begins with a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The bass line starts with a quarter note G3, followed by a quarter note F#3, and then a half note E3. This is followed by a quarter note D3, a quarter note C3, and a half note B2. The bass line continues with a quarter note A2, a quarter note G2, and a half note F#2. The system concludes with a double bar line. The dynamic marking *mf* is placed below the treble staff, and the dynamic marking *p* is placed below the bass staff. The tempo marking *And.* is located above the first staff.

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3 4 3 4 3

5

4 3 1 5 3 1 2

2 4

5

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1 1

f

p

2 4 1

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5 5 3 4 5 1 2 3

3 2 1 5 4 1 2