

# 101. [Prelude]

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The musical score consists of five systems of tablature for lute, with vocal parts in common time. The lute tablature uses a standard six-string system with a basso staff below. The vocal parts use a soprano staff with note heads and a basso staff with note heads.

**System 1:** Measures 1-4. Lute tablature shows open strings and pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'a' and 'r' on the soprano staff, and 'a' and 'r' on the basso staff.

**System 2:** Measures 5-8. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'a r e a' on the soprano staff, and 'k l n m k l e r a' on the basso staff.

**System 3:** Measures 9-12. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show '2d 1r a' on the soprano staff, and '2d 1r a' on the basso staff.

**System 4:** Measures 13-16. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show '3e 1r a' on the soprano staff, and '2d 1r a' on the basso staff.

**System 5:** Measures 17-20. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'a r d a' on the soprano staff, and 'a r d a r d a r d a' on the basso staff.

**System 6:** Measures 21-24. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'a r d a r d a r d a' on the soprano staff, and 'a r d a r d a r d a' on the basso staff.

**System 7:** Measures 25-28. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'r e f r' on the soprano staff, and 'e f B f' on the basso staff.

**System 8:** Measures 29-32. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'e r a d r a d r' on the soprano staff, and 'r a d r' on the basso staff.

**System 9:** Measures 33-36. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'r e f r' on the soprano staff, and 'e r a d r a d r' on the basso staff.

**System 10:** Measures 37-40. Lute tablature shows pairs of vertical strokes. Vocal parts show 'a r a e r a r e f e r a r a r a e r a' on the soprano staff, and 'a r a e r a r e f e r a r a r a e r a' on the basso staff.