

Viola

for Brent Young and Laura Madsen

# Suite from "Carnival of the Animals"

for Viola and Piano

*Welcome to Carnival of the Animals by Camille Saint-Saëns,  
a collection of creative musical pieces depicting various animals.  
We begin with the "Royal March of the Lion."*

Camille Saint Saens  
arr. CJ Madsen

Majestic ♩ = 120      Faster ♩ = 152

*f*

10

16

*Hens and roosters peck  
their way into the scene.*

Faster ♩ = 160

23

*mp*

28

33

37

Detailed description: This is a musical score for Viola, arranged by CJ Madsen. The piece is titled 'Suite from "Carnival of the Animals"' and specifically focuses on the 'Royal March of the Lion' movement. The score is written for Viola and Piano. It begins with a tempo marking of 'Majestic' at 120 beats per minute in 4/4 time, marked with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The music features a series of chords and melodic lines. At measure 10, the tempo changes to 'Faster' at 152 bpm. At measure 16, there is a descriptive note: 'Hens and roosters peck their way into the scene.' At measure 23, the tempo changes again to 'Faster' at 160 bpm, and the dynamic is marked mezzo-piano (*mp*). The score continues with various rhythmic patterns and melodic fragments, ending at measure 37.

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*A tired tortoise attempts to dance  
the Can-can, slowly . . . oh, so slowly.*

42 **Slow** ♩ = 44

*p*

48

*An elephant prances playfully---  
the best that he knows how.*

52 **Adagio** ♩ = 36

*f*

64

*Mules! Stubborn mules!  
They bray like fools!*

73 **Faster** ♩ = 120

*f*

81

*And lastly comes a graceful swan---  
swimming with its head erect.*

88 **Graceful** ♩ = 63

*mf*

94

*For the grand finale, this carnival of animals  
race and chase in wild abandon!*

100

Playful ♩ = 168

*mf*

105

110

*f*

116

*ff*

121

*Genesis 7:7-9*

126