

DYNAMIC SIGNS

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

GRADE: _____

DYNAMIC SIGNS OR SYMBOLS, in music show the performer how loud or soft the music should be played or heard. Most musical terms are written in **"ITALIAN"** since Italian composers were among the first to write music notes

ITALIAN	SIGN	ENGLISH
<i>Piano</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>soft</i>
<i>forte</i>	<i>f</i>	<i>loud</i>
<i>mezzo piano</i>	<i>mp</i>	<i>moderately soft</i>
<i>mezzo forte</i>	<i>mf</i>	<i>moderately loud</i>
<i>pianissimo</i>	<i>pp</i>	<i>very soft</i>
<i>fortissimo</i>	<i>ff</i>	<i>very loud</i>

Place the Italian word or name, next to the Dynamic Signs below:

f _____ *pp* _____

mp _____ *ff* _____

P _____ *mf* _____

Use the correct Dynamic Sign from above at least once, under the correct sentence in the story, below.

“Wake up!” whispered Ron to his brother Steven. The boys

a. _____

walked softly out the door. They heard the moderately soft

b. _____

c. _____

sound of a distant airplane, which roared very loudly as it

d. _____

flew overhead. Steven said, “Let’s play basketball,” in a moderately loud voice. They shouted a loud yes as they ran

e. _____

f. _____

to the park.

