

Chopin Nocturne in E Minor, Op.72 No.1- Starter Study Questions

1. There are two main themes in this work, both of which are varied and ornamented as the piece progresses.

Theme A bars 2-9 (original form)

Theme B bars 23- 26 (original form)

Learn to play these on the piano.

2. Notice that the triplet quavers are played continuously throughout the piece. Discuss the effect of these on the listener and their role of providing the supporting harmony.

3. What is the chord and key at:-

a) Bar 1- 2 _____

b) Bar 22 and 23(1) _____

c) Bar 46 and 47(1) _____

d) Final bar _____

4. Nocturne is a night time piece. What mood does a Nocturne display?
