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floating chrysanthemums

Tokkotai poems
Japanese Translation: Rori Satsuki

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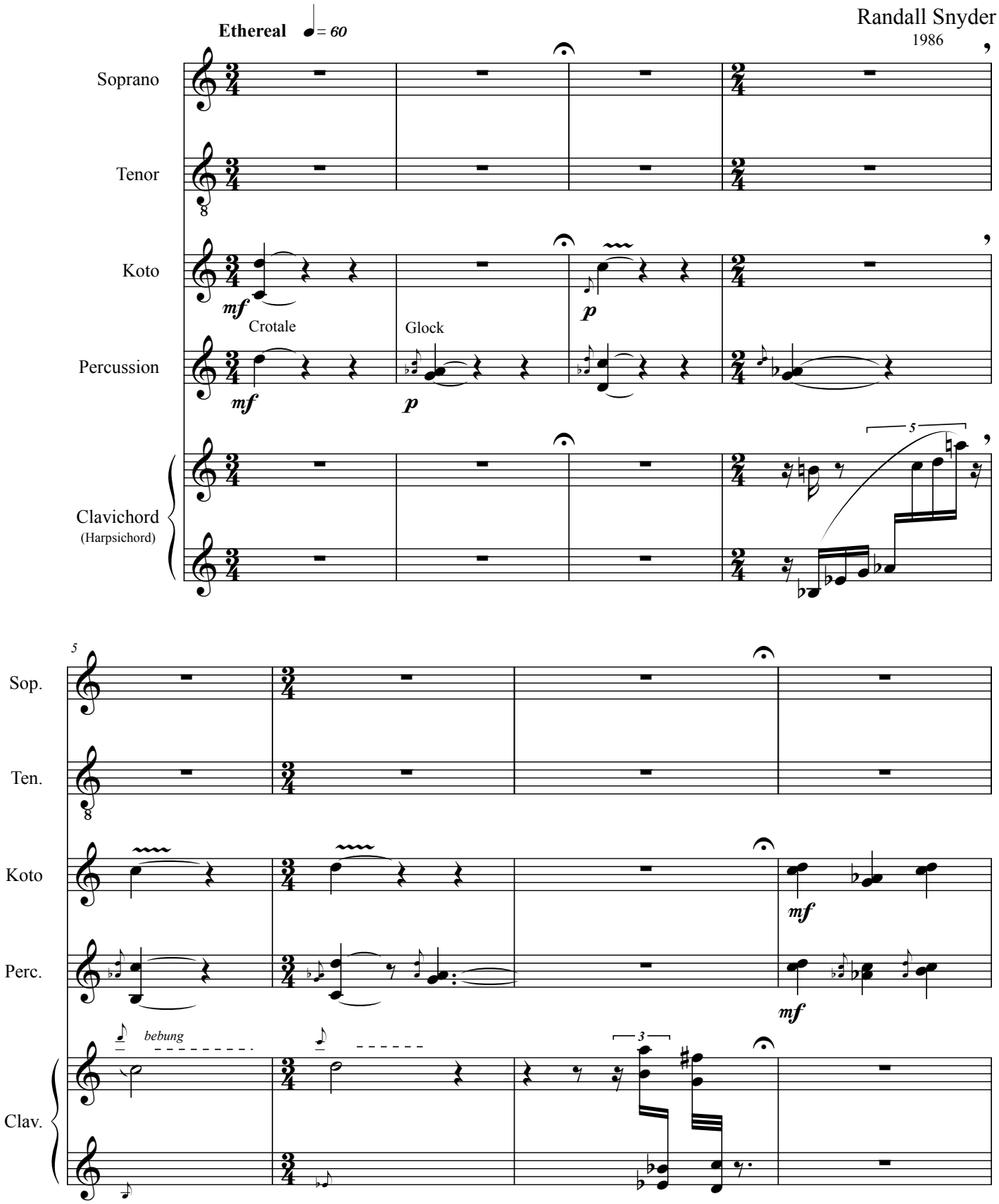

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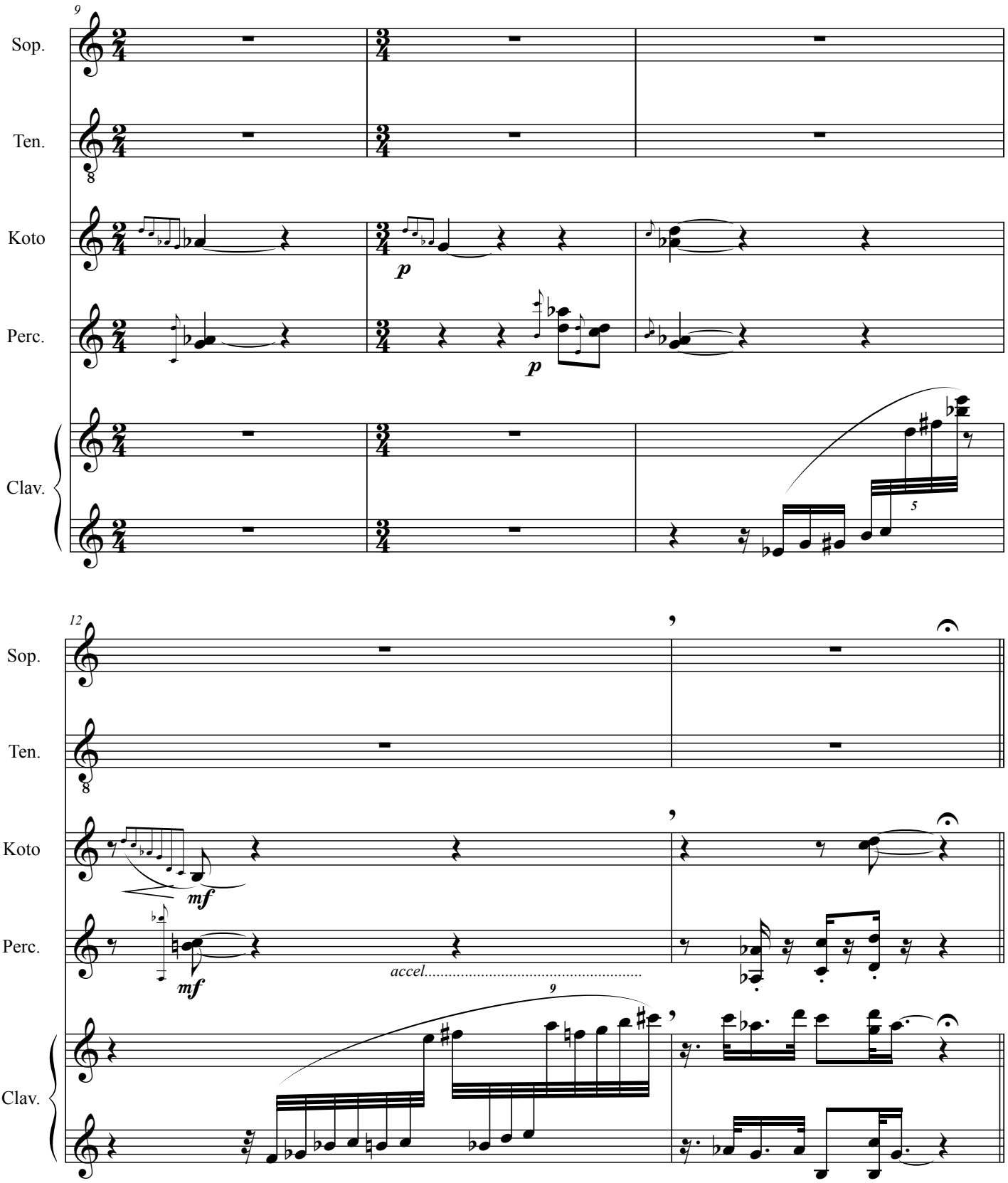

9
Sop.
Ten.
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
p
p
5
12
Sop.
Ten.
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
mf
mf
accel.
9

A **Freely, floating tempo**

14

Sop.

I ku u ha ru

Ten.

If on - ly we might fall

Koto

Perc.

Clav.

17

Sop.

no sa a ku ra no to ko

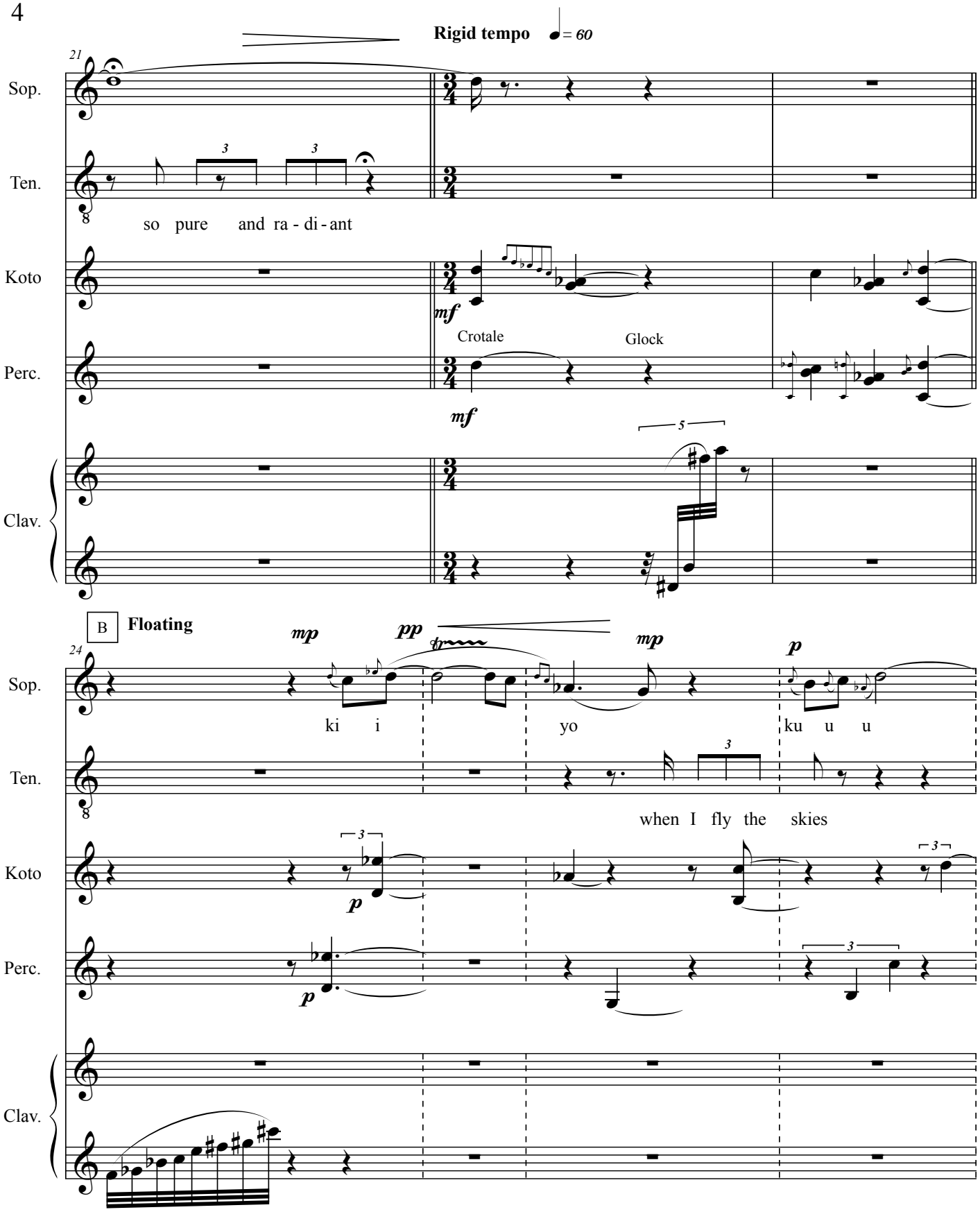
Ten.

like cher - ry blos - soms in the spring

Koto

Perc.

Clav.


Rigid tempo ♩= 60
21
Sop.
Ten.
so pure and ra - di - ant
Koto
mf
Crotale
Glock
Perc.
mf
Clav.
B
Floating
24
mp
pp
mp
p
ki i
yo
ku u u
when I fly the skies
p
p

28

Sop.

mp

chi ri te i ka ba

Ten.

what a fine bur - i - al place would be the top of a cloud

Koto

Perc.

Clav.

31

Rigid tempo

Sop.

ya

Ten.

Koto

mf

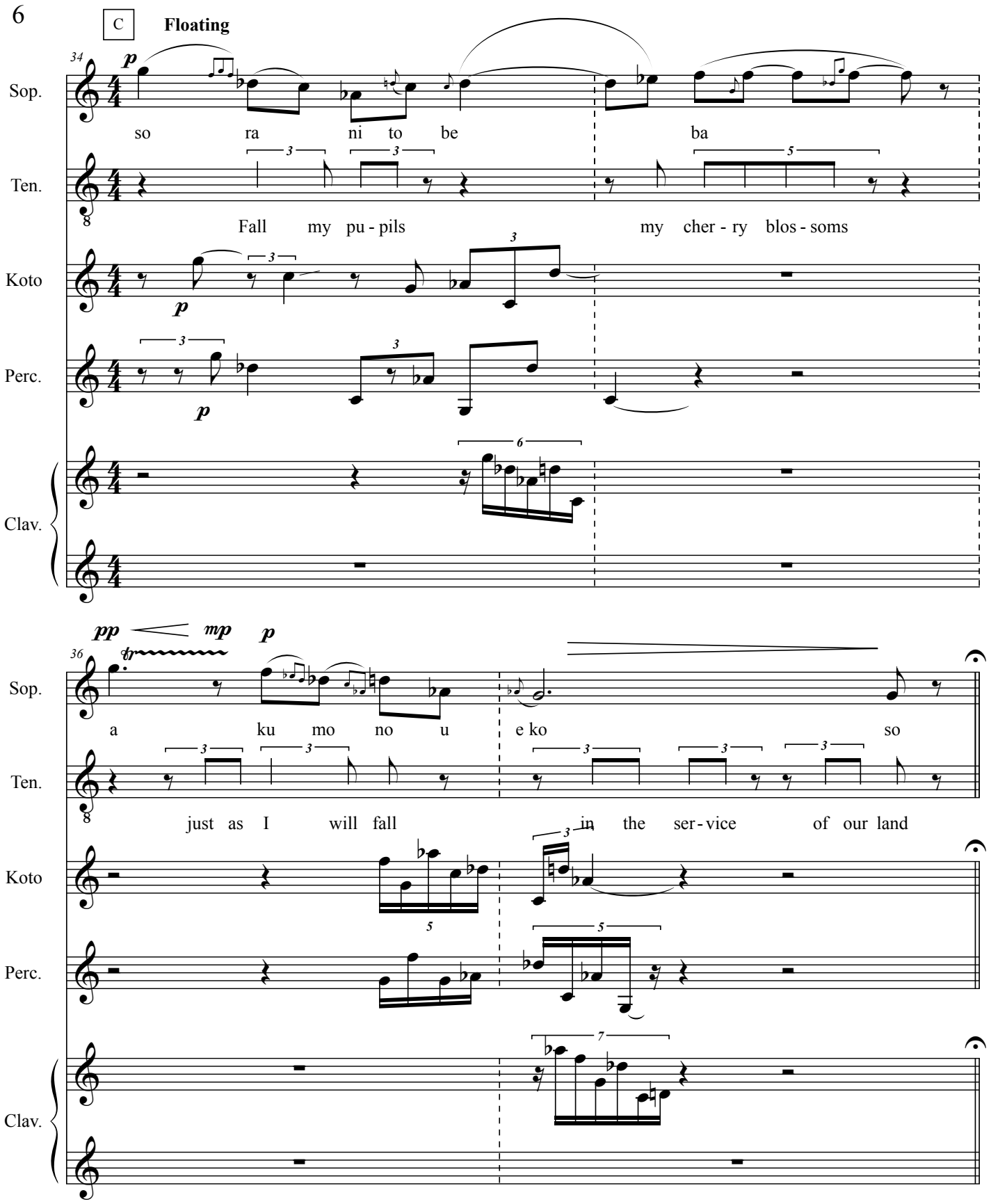
Crotale

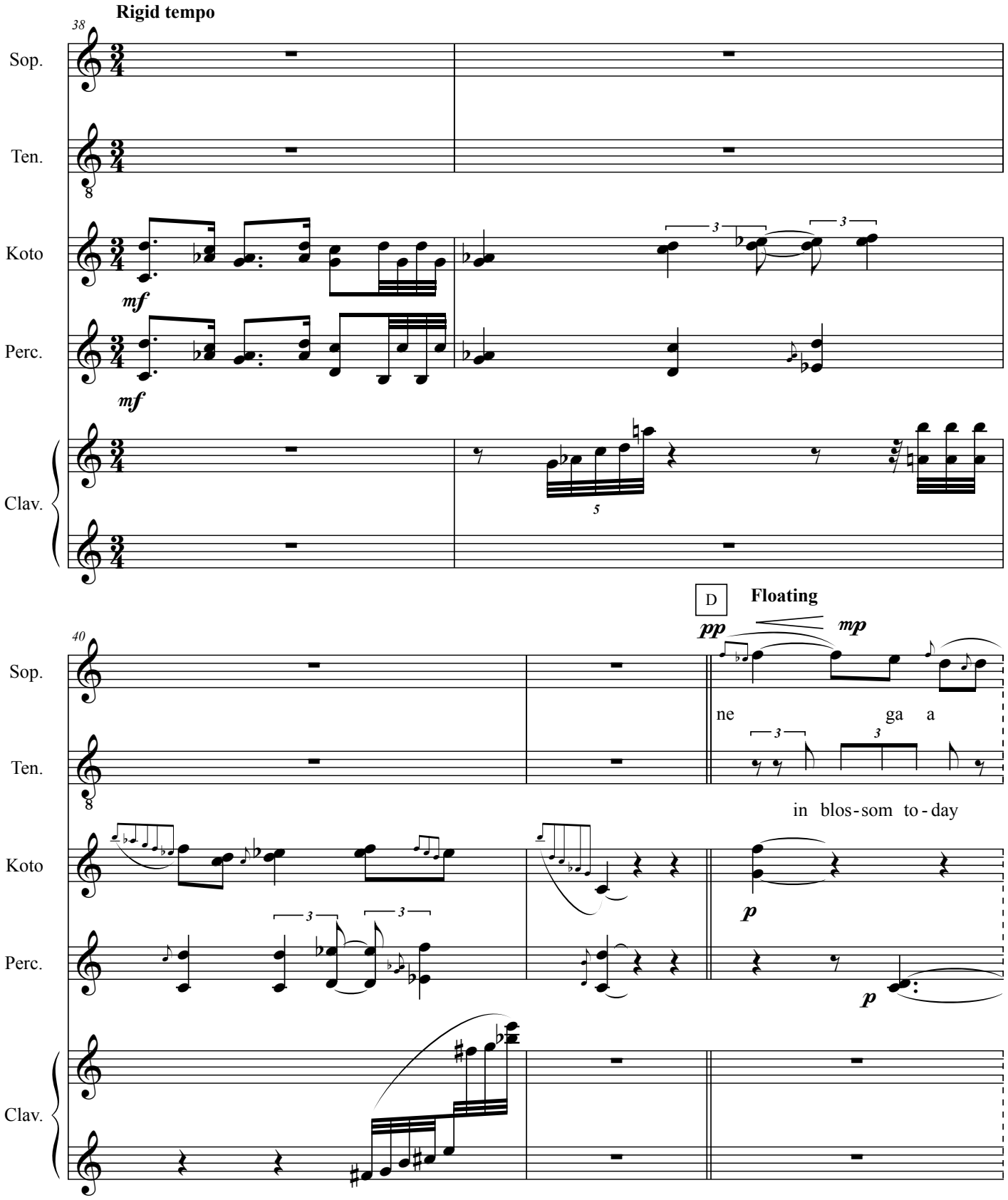
Glock

Perc.

mf

Clav.


C
Floating
34
Sop.
so ra ni to be ba
Ten.
Fall my pu - pils my cher - ry blos - soms
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
36
pp
mp
p
a ku mo no u e ko so
just as I will fall in the ser - vice of our land


Rigid tempo
38
Sop.
Ten.
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
mf
mf
D
Floating
pp
mp
40
ne ga a
in blos-som to-day
p
p

43

Sop.

Ten.

Koto

Perc.

Clav.

p

wa

the scat-tered life is so like a del-i-cate flow-er

46

Sop.

Ten.

Koto

Perc.

Clav.

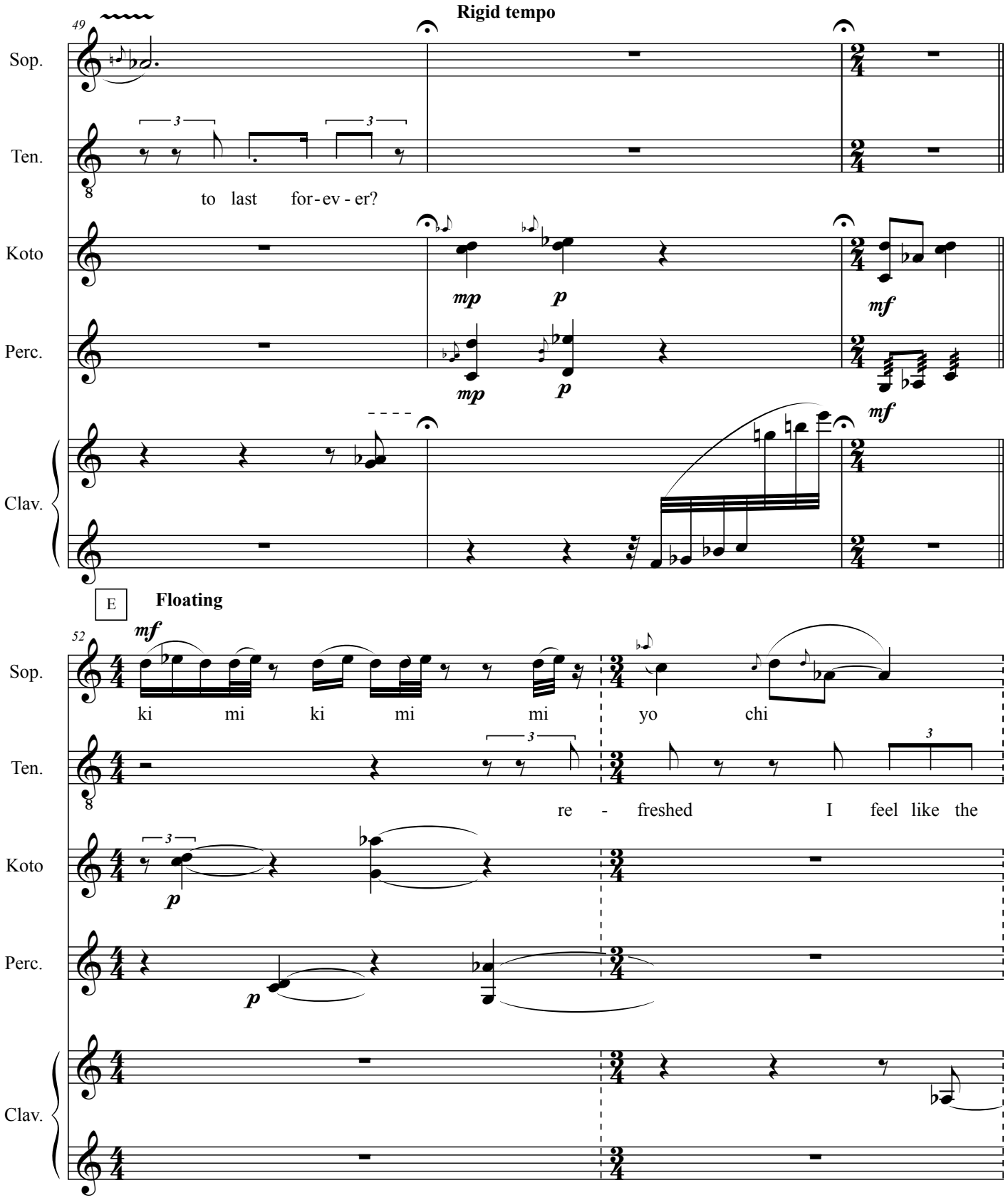
pp

shi ki

mp

ha ka

how can one ex-pect the fra-grance


Rigid tempo
49
Sop.
Ten.
to last for-ev-er?
Koto
mp
p
mf
Perc.
mp
p
mf
Clav.
E
Floating
52
mf
Sop.
ki mi ki mi mi yo chi
Ten.
re - freshed I feel like the
Koto
p
Perc.
p
Clav.

54

Sop.

pp

ri te i ki

p

wa

Ten.

clear moon af - ter a storm now all is

Koto

mf

p

Perc.

Crotale

Glock

mf

Clav.

57

Sop.

ga bu ka yo wa ga oh ka yo

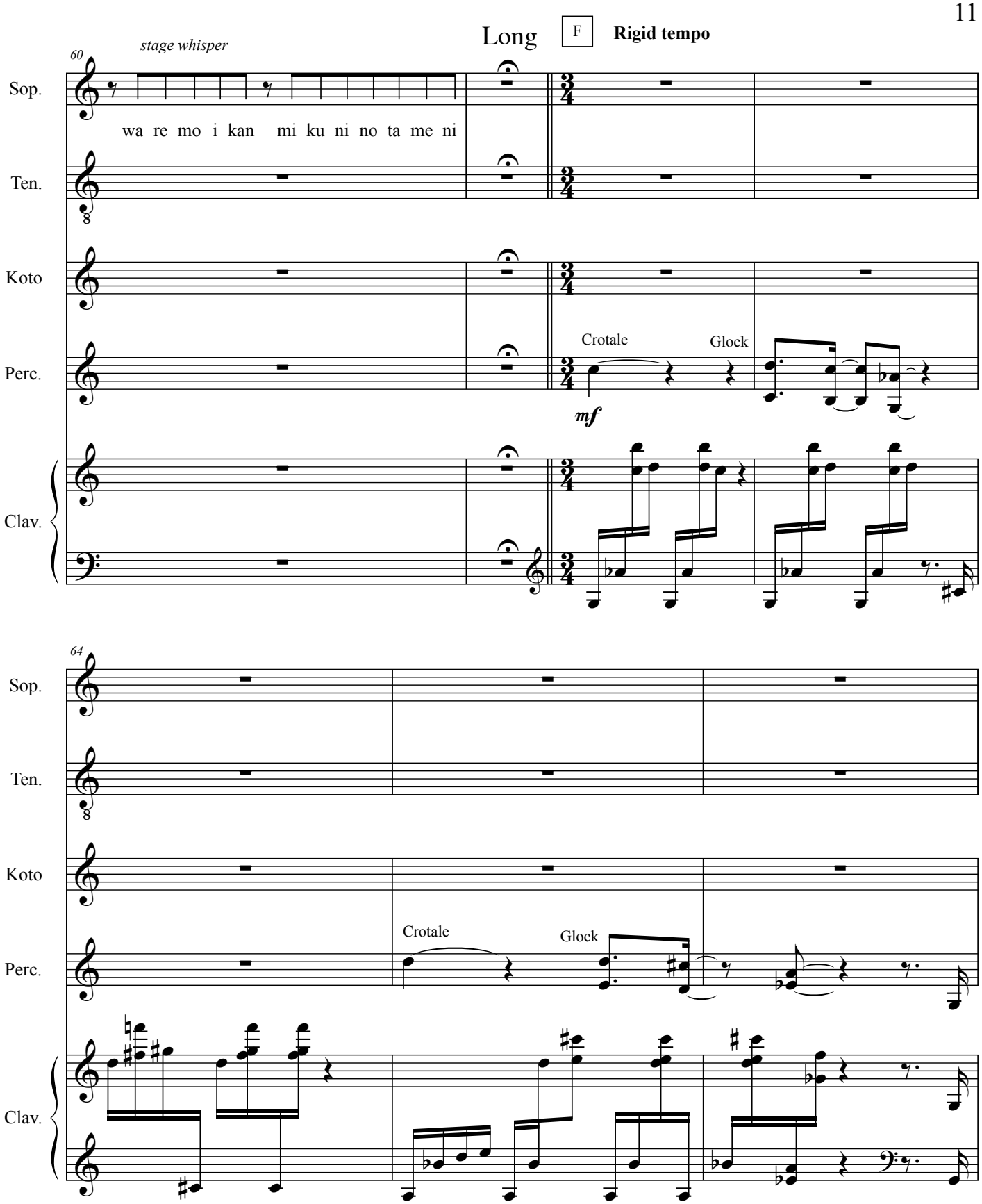
Ten.

done and I can sleep for a mill - ion years

Koto

Perc.

Clav.


60
stage whisper
Long
F
Rigid tempo
Sop.
wa re mo i kan mi ku ni no ta me ni
Ten.
Koto
Perc.
Crotale
Glock
mf
Clav.
64
Sop.
Ten.
Koto
Perc.
Crotale
Glock
Clav.

Slightly Faster ♩ = 76

67

Sop.

Ten.

Let me

Koto

mf

Perc.

mf

Clav.

71

Sop.

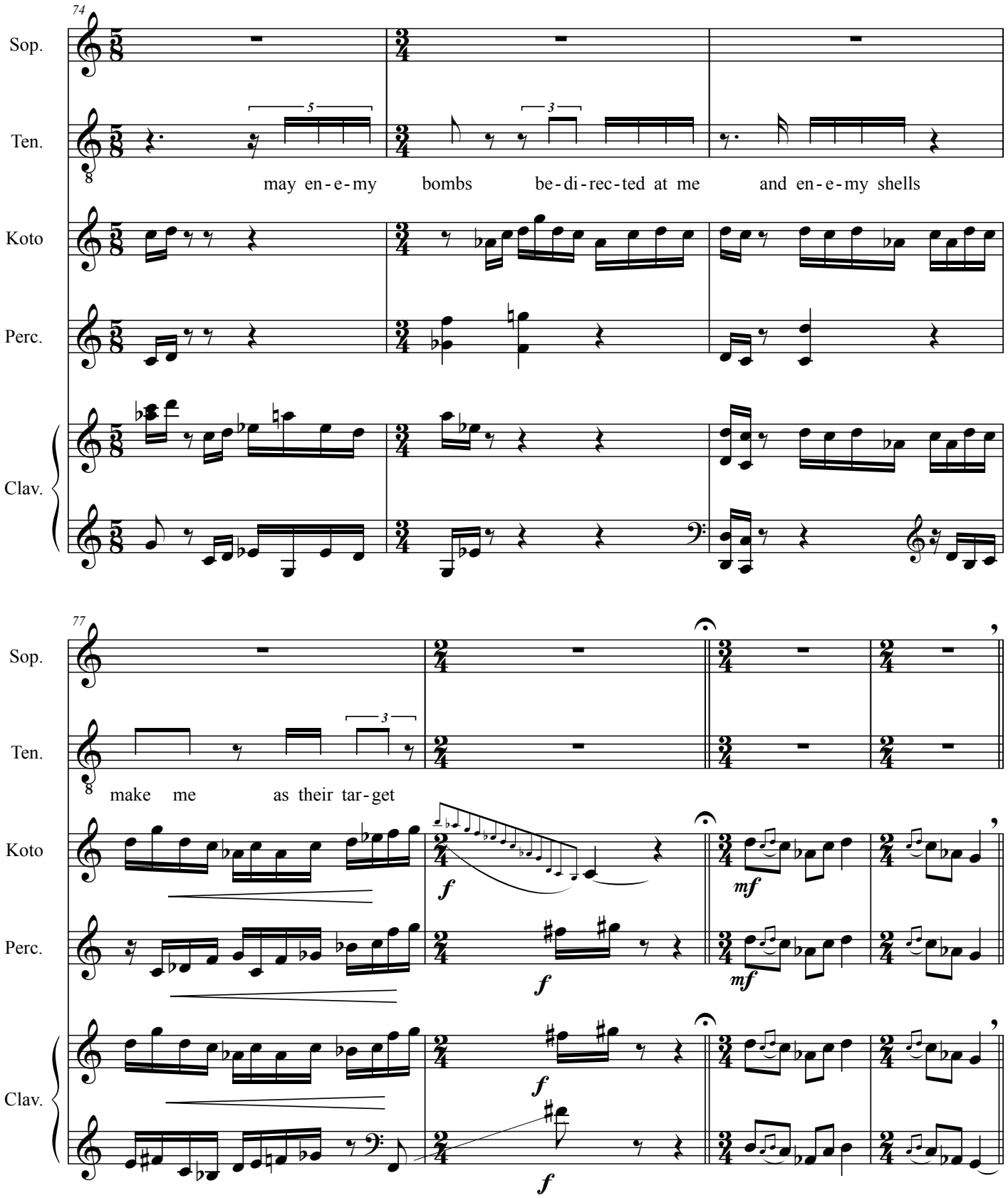
Ten.

fall like a flow-er pet-al

Koto

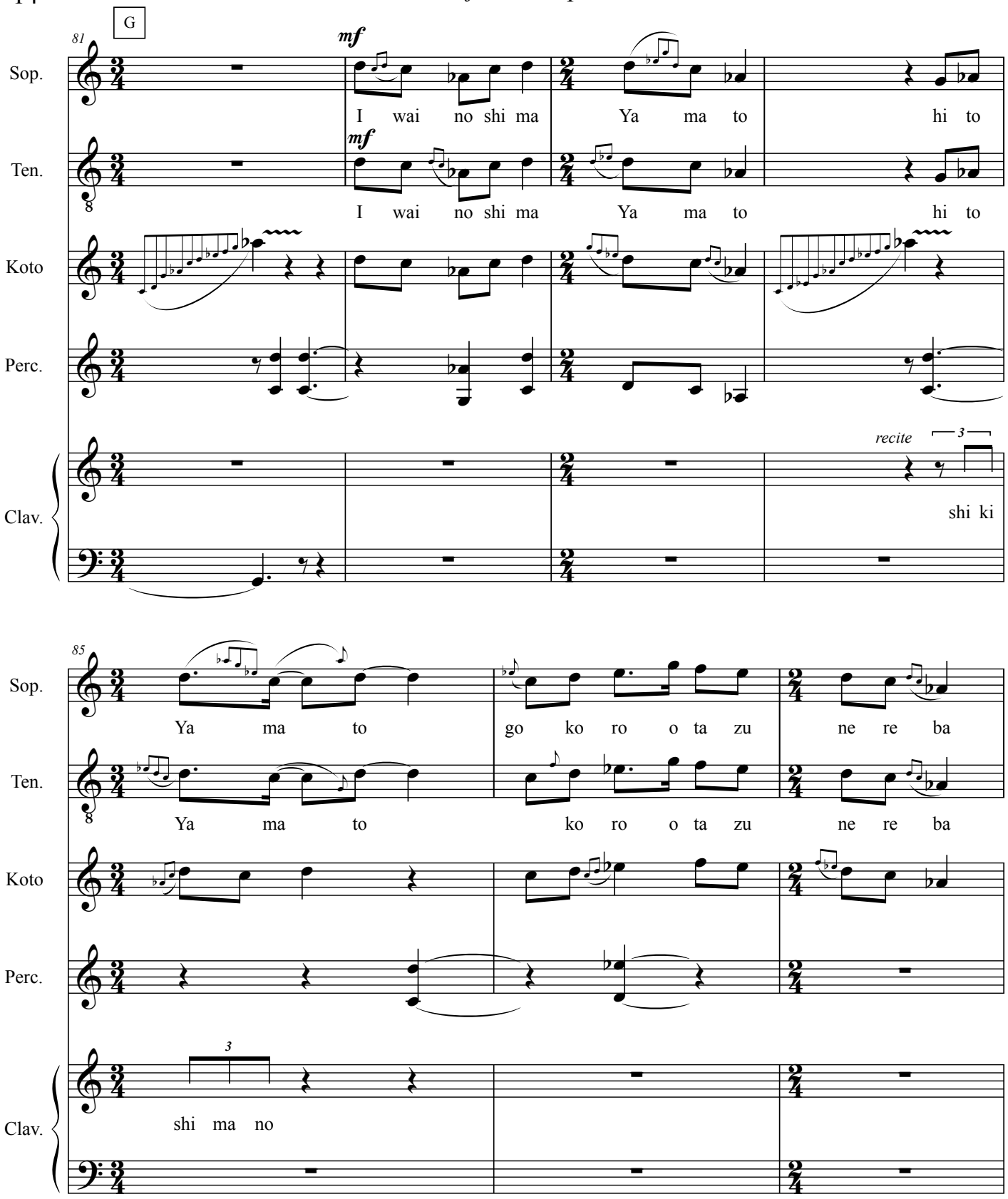
Perc.

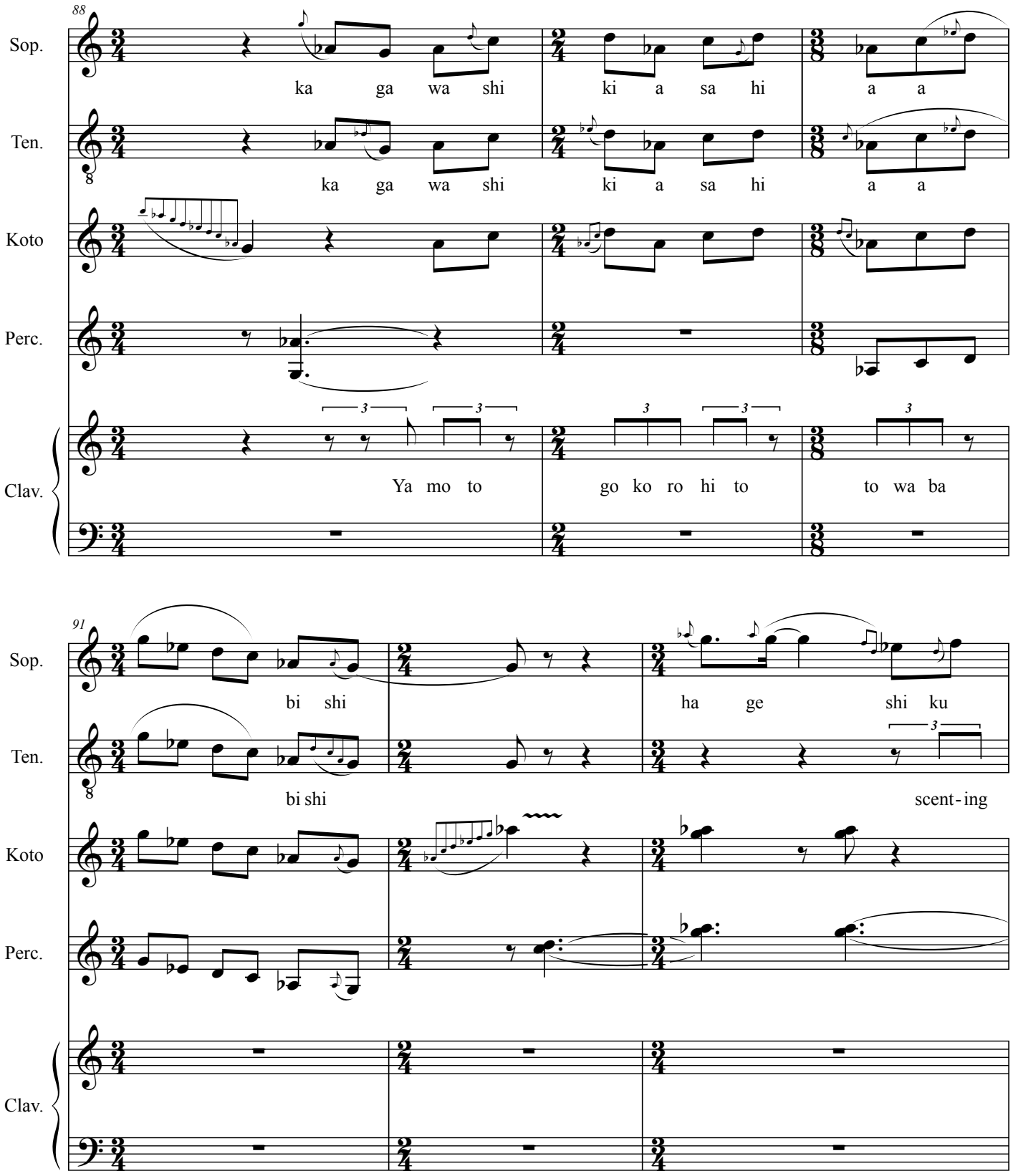
Clav.

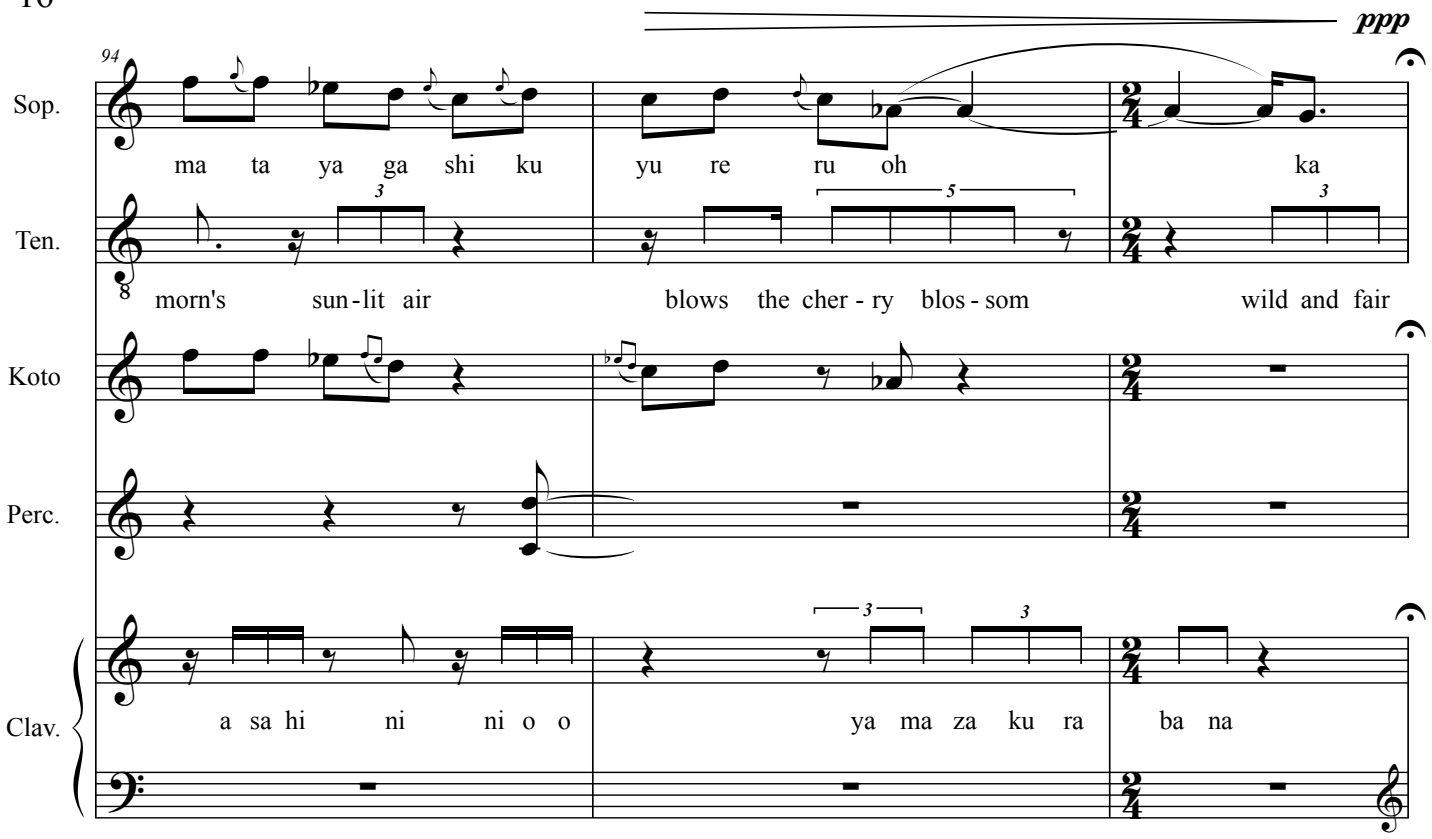

74
Sop.
Ten.
may en-e-my bombs be-di-rec-ted at me and en-e-my shells
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
77
Sop.
Ten.
make me as their tar-get
Koto
Perc.
Clav.

18th ce, poem: Motoori Nirinaga

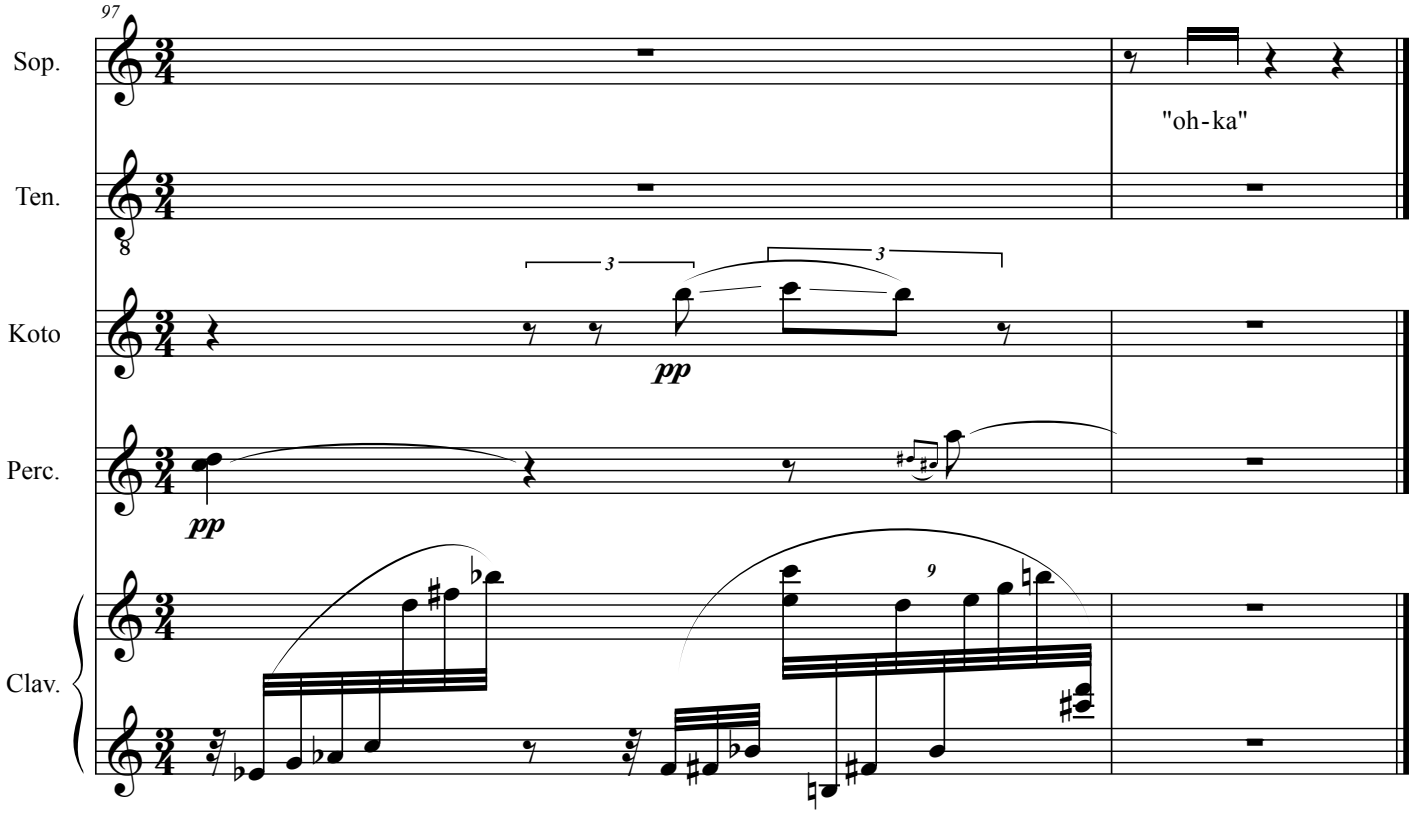
Isles of Blest Japan




88
Sop.
ka ga wa shi
ki a sa hi
a a
Ten.
ka ga wa shi
ki a sa hi
a a
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
Ya mo to
go ko ro hi to
to wa ba
91
Sop.
bi shi
ha ge shi ku
Ten.
bi shi
scent-ing
Koto
Perc.
Clav.


ppp
94
Sop.
ma ta ya ga shi ku yu re ru oh ka
Ten.
morn's sun-lit air blows the cher-ry blos-som wild and fair
Koto
Perc.
Clav.
a sa hi ni ni o o ya ma za ku ra ba na

Long


97
Sop.
"oh-ka"
Ten.
Koto
pp
Perc.
pp
Clav.