

# Fly

(Focus: right hand string crossing/rest strokes)

## ***Exciting New Sounds:***

Fly features two special effect sounds. The first sound (♩) is made by scraping your left hand thumb nail along the A and D strings. This sound represents the irritating buzz of a fly. The second new sound (×) is made by slapping your right hand against all six strings over the sound hole. Can you guess what that sound represents?!

## ***Practice Tips:***

Begin practicing Fly by playing only the standard notes and leaving out the buzzing and slap sounds. Your teacher can fill in the sounds for you as you play until you are ready to try both the sounds and standard notes together.

The musical notation consists of two staves in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The first staff begins with a measure number '1' and contains a sequence of notes: m, i, m, i, m, i, m, i, m, i. Above the notes are fingerings: m, i, m, i, m, i, m, i, m, i. There are four instances of a buzz sound (♩) indicated by a zigzag line with three downward-pointing triangles, occurring after the 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th notes. The second staff begins with a measure number '5' and contains a sequence of notes: m, i, m, i, m, i, m, i. There are two instances of a buzz sound (♩) after the 3rd and 5th notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a final sound (×) indicated by a vertical line with three downward-pointing triangles.

## ***Amazing Animal Facts:***

- \*An average housefly carries 2 million bacteria on its body.
- \*Houseflies can walk upside down using glue oozing toe pads.
- \*Flies must vomit saliva on their food in order to soften it before eating.