Musical Form

The overall structure or plan of a piece is called **musical form**. In *Ode to Joy*:

Section A – Measures 1-4 can be labeled A.

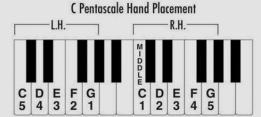
Section A¹ – Measures 5-8 can be labeled A^1 because in measure 8 it is changed slightly from A.

Section B – Measures 9-12 present a new musical idea and can be labeled B.

Section A 1 – *Measures 13-16* return to the same musical idea as *measures 5-8*.

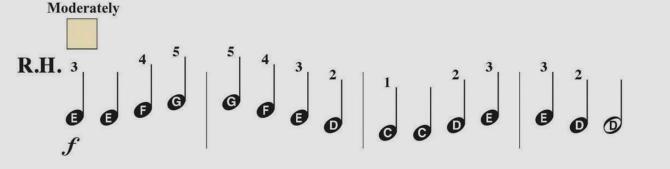
The form of *Ode to Joy* is $A A^1 B A^1$.

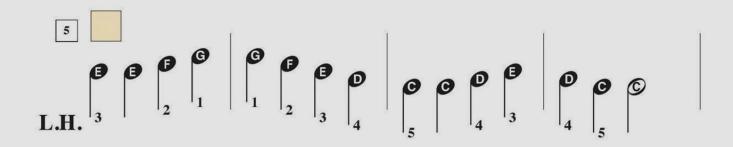
- Circle all the **repeated notes**.
- Playing *in the middle* of the piano, say or sing: **a.** finger numbers **b.** letter names
- Label each section of the musical form in the boxes below.

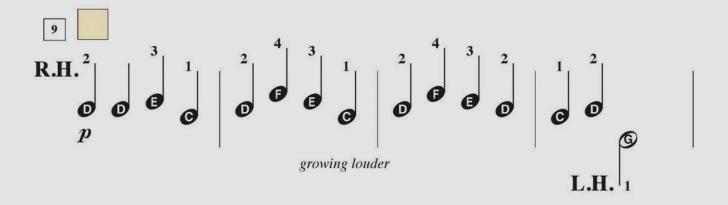


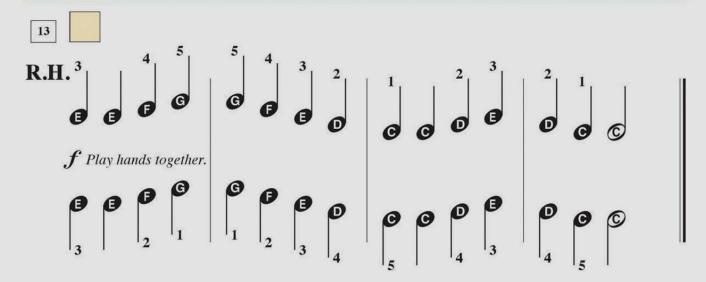
Ode to Joy (Theme from the 9th Symphony)

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827, Germany) arranged











Transpose *Ode to Joy* to the **G Pentascale**. Remember to follow the fingering, direction of the notes, and use your ear to help you to transpose.

