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Trio for Three Toothbrushes

for three performers

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Performance Notes

Each performer should have a toothbrush, a glass of water, and a towel. There should be one bucket into which all three performers can spit the rinsed water from their mouths.

Measures 1–6: Each performer finds a way of generating three distinct pitches from brushing their teeth. The unison section (measures 1–3) is to give the audience a chance to hear the three distinct pitches made by the performers.

Measures 6–16: Accents indicate a vigourous brushstroke.

Measures 17–24b: Rinsing and Gargling. Each performer, at the designated time, drinks a little bit of water from their glass, and rinses their mouth in the rhythm written. For gargling, each performer leans the head back, and garges for the duration given.

Measure 24c: The spitting out of the water (into the single bucket) should happen simultaneously.

Measures 24d–32: Each performer rubs their towel in the rhythm indicated. The piece ends softly and delicately.

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BRUSHING

highest pitch

middle pitch

lowest pitch

rinsing
gargling
rubbing towel
spitting out

\[ j = 96-108 \text{mm} \]

Player I

\( \frac{3}{4} \)

(brushing)

\( \frac{3}{4} \)

(brushing)

\( \frac{3}{4} \)

(brushing)

Player II

Player III

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