

La vie est brève

words anon.

music by Peter Hill

The musical score is written on four staves in treble clef with a common time signature (C). A tempo marking of 110 is indicated at the beginning. The lyrics are: "Un peu d'es - - - prit, un peu d'es - - - poir, un peu d'a - mour, et puis bon - - - soir!". The melody is simple and melodic, with some notes tied across bar lines. A large, semi-transparent watermark "sample" is overlaid diagonally across the score.

One successful performance scheme is to sing through once in unison, then enter in the order SATB. Each voice sings through the whole piece three times and then stops, creating a gradual fade.