

COME SCOGLIO

Aria



Fiordiligi is outraged! Two "strange" men dressed in Albanian costumes have just told her that they are drawn to her and to her sister "like lovesick butterflies." Fiordiligi declares that she will not be moved, and she will remain faithful to her fiancé, Guglielmo.



Andante maestoso

Co - me sco - glio im - mo - to
Strong and rock-like so no-thing

re - sta con - tra i ven - ti e
moves me, nei - ther tem - pest nor

la tem - pes - ta, e la tem - pe - sta
gale force winds can ev - er change my love

An aria is a big solo. It's a chance for a singer to show off a little and display a few vocal gymnastics. This aria is especially difficult to sing - it's long and full of very fast notes.

As you can see, in this piece Fiordiligi must sing extremely high and low notes.



TONGUE TOAD

There are ten misspelled words in this paragraph. Can you find them?

Così fan tutte is a comic opera, called *opera buffa*. "Buffa" means "buffoon or comedian" and is from the Latin word "bufo," which means "TOAD." Early comedians blow up rubber gloves and hit each other with them. The wet gloves were slick and slimy - like a toad! Toads are funny looking creatures that jump around and are unpredictable. They are awkward at hopping and swimming because their legs are shorter than their cousins', the frogs. You may see frog's legs on a menu but never toad legs! *Opera buffa* usually has lively music and funny dialogue.