THE ORGAN MUSIC OF NED ROREM (b. 1923):
A GRADED TEACHING SEQUENCE

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Abbreviations:

OB = Organbook (1, 2, 3)
QR = A Quaker Reader
SP = Six Pieces for Organ
VH = Views From the Oldest House

I. EASIEST
QR: "There Is a Spirit That Delights to Do No Evil..."; "...No darkness at all..."
VH: Elms
OB I: Episode; Song; Serenade
OB II: Pie Jesu; Stabat Mater
SP: Entreat Me Not

II. MORE CHALLENGING, BUT NOT DIFFICULT
Pastorale for Organ
QR: First-Day Thoughts; "Bewitching attire of the most charming simplicity..."; A Secret Power; Return Home to Within
VH: The Nest in Old North Church
OB II: Rex Tremendae; In Nomine Domini
OB III: Impromptu
SP: Why and Because; The Flight into Egypt

III. MODERATELY DIFFICULT / DIFFICULT
Fantasy and Toccata
QR: The World of Silence; One Sigh Rightly Begotten; Ocean of Light
VH: Sunrise on Sunset Hill; Rain Over the Quaker Graveyard
OB I: Fantasy; Reveille
OB II: Magnificat; "Eli, Eli, Lama Sabachthani?"
OB III: Rondo; Passacaglia; Fanfare; Fugue
SP: To Tallis; Cortège

IV. MOST DIFFICULT
QR: Mary Dyer did hang as a flag...; Evidence of Things Not Seen
VH: Spires; Sunday Night
SP: Touch and Go