

Musical Expression Review

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Understanding Dynamics and Articulation

Name: _____

Date: _____

Answer the following questions based on what you learned about musical expression in your recorder solo.

1. What new things did you learn about playing music today?

2. What are dynamics in music?

- A. How fast we play
- B. How loud or soft we play
- C. How long we play

3. Articulation is how we start and ____ notes.

4. Match the musical terms to their meanings.

Dynamics

How loud or soft we play

Articulation

How we start and stop notes

5. How can music be a way of worshiping God?

- A. By playing it loudly
- B. By expressing feelings through sound
- C. By only playing fast

6. What feelings can music express?

7. Psalm 150:3 says to praise Him with the sound of the ____

8. What is one way to make music sound more interesting?

- A. Play the same note over and over
- B. Add dynamics and articulation
- C. Only play quietly

9. Why is musical expression important?

10. Match the musical expression to its description.

Loud

Piano

Soft

Forte

Answer Key

1. I learned about dynamics and how to play loudly or softly. 2. How loud or soft we play 3. stop 4. 0 5. 1 6. Music can express happiness, sadness, and excitement. 7. trumpet 8. Add dynamics and articulation 9. Musical expression helps tell a story through sound. 10. 1

