

# Music Dynamics and Expression Review

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## Understanding Expressive Markings

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Answer the following questions based on the lesson about musical expression and Italian terms.

1. What does 'legato' mean?

- A. Smooth and connected notes
- B. Short, detached notes
- C. Emphasizing a specific note

2. The term 'fermata' means to \_\_\_ a note longer than written.

3. Describe how 'staccato' can change the feeling of a piece of music. Give an example.

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4. Accent means to play a note softly.

- True       False

5. Which expression term means emphasizing a specific note?

- A. Tenuto
- B. Accent
- C. Legato

6. To play a note for its full duration, you would use the term \_\_\_.

7. How do you think the expressive markings we learned can help us express emotions in music?

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8. Psalm 150 encourages us to praise God with various instruments.

- True       False

9. Which of the following is NOT one of the five key Italian musical terms we learned?

- A. Fermata
- B. Crescendo
- C. Accent

10. These expressive markings reflect God's creativity by allowing us to show \_\_\_ through music.

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### Answer Key

1. Smooth and connected notes   2. pause   3. Staccato makes notes sound short and sharp, which can create excitement. For example, a staccato melody can sound playful and lively.   4. False   5. Accent   6. tenuto   7. These markings allow us to convey feelings through our playing. For example, using legato can make a piece sound more emotional, while staccato can add excitement.   8. True   9. Crescendo   10. emotion