

Classical Music Characteristics Review

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Understanding the Classical Era

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Answer the following questions based on what you learned about Classical music.

1. What is one characteristic of Classical music?

- A. Complex counterpoint
- B. Homophonic texture
- C. Improvisation

2. Name three characteristics of Classical music.

3. Classical music is known for its ____ and smooth melodies.

4. Classical music emphasizes clarity and balance.

- True False

5. Which composer did we study today?

- A. Bach
- B. Mozart
- C. Beethoven

6. How is Classical music different from Baroque music?

7. David appointed musicians such as Asaph, Heman, and ____ to prophesy with instruments.

8. Homophonic texture is a characteristic of Classical music.

- True False

9. What does 'clear musical form' mean in Classical music?

- A. Random patterns
- B. Structured compositions
- C. Loud dynamics

10. What makes a melody feel 'elegant'?

Answer Key

1. Homophonic texture 2. Three characteristics are balanced musical phrases, clear musical form, and elegant melodies. 3. elegant 4. True 5. Mozart 6. Classical music focuses more on balance and clarity, while Baroque music is more complex and ornate. 7. Jeduthun 8. True 9. Structured compositions 10. An elegant melody is smooth, flowing, and pleasing to listen to, often having balanced phrases.