

# Review of Classical Music Composition

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## Understanding the Structure of Classical Music

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

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

1. What is one characteristic of Classical music?

- A. Random patterns
- B. Clear, symmetrical patterns
- C. Loud and chaotic sounds

2. How might musical structure remind us of God's orderly creation? Provide an example.

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3. A melody feels complete when it has a balanced \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ structure.

4. Composers in the Classical era used balance through repeated and contrasting sections.

- True       False

5. What is a phrase in music similar to?

- A. A sentence
- B. A color
- C. A note

6. How did you create symmetry in your composition? Describe one technique you used.

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7. 1 Corinthians 14:40 teaches us that all things should be done \_\_\_ and in order.

8. Classical music emphasizes chaos and complexity over clarity and balance.

- True       False

9. What does 'balanced phrases' refer to in music?

- A. Phrases that are the same length
- B. Phrases that are loud
- C. Phrases that are played fast

10. What makes a melody feel complete and satisfying? Explain your thoughts.

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Answer Key

1. Clear, symmetrical patterns 2. Musical structure is similar to creation because it follows a pattern. For example, just like God created the world in an organized way, music has a beginning, middle, and end. 3. phrase 4. True 5. A sentence 6. I created symmetry by repeating a melody after introducing a new section. This helped balance the music and made it feel complete. 7. decently 8. False 9. Phrases that are the same length 10. A melody feels complete when it resolves nicely, like a story that ends well. It should have a clear structure that leads the listener from the beginning to the end.