

2020-2021 Multiple Choice Quiz SAMPLE

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1. Which composer dedicated his composition to the city of Prague?
 - A. Shostakovich
 - B. Ponce
 - C. Smetana
 - D. Falla

2. What Italian term refers to singing without instrumental accompaniment?
 - A. *Canzonetta*
 - B. *Singspiel*
 - C. *A cappella*
 - D. *Romances sans paroles*

3. What is the name of a Polish ballroom dance in triple meter (three beats per measure) that was popular in Europe in the 19th century?
 - A. Polonaise
 - B. *Cor anglais*
 - C. Flamenco
 - D. Mazurca

4. Who was the English king that was so moved that he stood up when he heard the "Hallelujah Chorus" for the first time?
 - A. George II
 - B. Christian Ludwig
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5. Which composer devoted 26 years to write a cycle of four operas that take about 15 hours to perform?
 - A. Beethoven
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6. What is the musical term for a song from an opera for one voice, often sung with an orchestra?
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7. What is the musical term for a set of pieces for orchestra performed in a concert setting?
 - A. Oratorio
 - B. Symphonic suite
 - C. Cantata
 - D. Concerto

8. What is the musical term for a composition, usually in three parts or movements for solo instrument(s) and orchestra?
 - A. Concerto
 - B. Symphony
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9. What is the musical term for a stately Polish dance, originally performed for court processions as military officers or military couples entered the ballroom?
 - A. Mazurca
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 - D. “Country Band’ March”

10. What major work is subtitled, “A Soviet Artist’s Reply to Just Criticism” to satisfy party censors and keep the composer out of jail?
 - A. **Symphony No. 9**
 - B. ***Má Vlast***
 - C. **The Nutcracker**
 - D. **Symphony No. 5**

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 - A. *Singspiel*
 - B. Break strain
 - C. Recitative
 - D. *Canzonetta*

12. An electronic version of the theme of which selection became famous as the opening theme music for the 1971 Mexican television comedy series, ***El Chavo del Ocho***?
 - A. "Spanish Dance No. 1"
 - B. "Turkish March"
 - C. Movement 3 of **Brandenburg Concerto No. 2**
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 - A. English horn
 - B. Bassoon
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14. Which composer wrote 136 marches and was nicknamed "The March King"?
 - A. Beethoven
 - B. Ives
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15. What is the musical term for a story told completely through music, in which the characters sing with an orchestra accompanying them and act out the story on a stage with costumes, scenery, props, and choreography?
 - A. "Scenic" cantata
 - B. Opera
 - C. Orff
 - D. Oratorio

16. What is the musical term, meaning “robbed” in Italian, that refers to a temporary disregard of strict tempo, instead becoming slightly faster or slower for expressive purposes?
- A. Recitative
 - B. *Scherzo*
 - C. *Rubato*
 - D. *Valkyries*
17. In “Putnam’s Camp” Ives used music from two of his earlier works. What are the titles of those pieces?
- A. “Mars” and “Jupiter”
 - B. “Washington Post March” and “Stars and Stripes Forever”
 - C. ***Turandot*** and **The Magic Flute**
 - D. “Country Band’ March” and “Overture and March ‘1776”
18. Which major work is one of the most-recorded works ever, and has gotten more people interested in classical music than any other music in history?
- A. **The Planets**
 - B. **The Nutcracker Suite**
 - C. ***Turandot***
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19. Which composer taught himself how to compose by studying masterworks of great composers and developed an approach to music education?
- A. Ives
 - B. Chaminade
 - C. Orff
 - D. Chopin
20. What form of Spanish folk music and dance is characterized by guitar, singing, castanets, and rhythmic hand clapping and foot stomping?
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