

# 2020-2021 Multiple Choice Quiz SAMPLE

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  - B. Ponce
  - C. Smetana
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  - 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 19<sup>th</sup> century?
  - A. Polonaise
  - B. *Cor anglais*
  - C. Flamenco
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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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13. What is the common name for the *cor anglais*, a double reed woodwind instrument in the oboe family, 1.5 times longer and lower sounding than an oboe?
  - A. English horn
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14. Which composer wrote 136 marches and was nicknamed "The March King"?
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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
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