

Classical Music for Little Maestros

Classical Music · Practice Test · 25 Questions

1. Which famous composer wrote 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star' as a theme for his variations?

- A) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- B) Ludwig van Beethoven
- C) Johann Sebastian Bach
- D) Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

2. What is the name of the large string instrument that sits on the floor and is played with a bow?

- A) Viola
- B) Cello
- C) Violin
- D) Harp

3. Which composer is known for creating lively and playful music for ballet, like 'The Nutcracker'?

- A) Claude Debussy
- B) Igor Stravinsky
- C) Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
- D) Antonio Vivaldi

4. What do we call a single, long note played by a wind instrument that lasts a very, very long time?

- A) A solo
- B) A cadenza
- C) A pedal tone
- D) A drone

5. Which instrument family has keys that you press to make sounds, like a piano or an organ?

- A) String instruments
- B) Percussion instruments
- C) Wind instruments
- D) Keyboard instruments

6. What famous composer wrote 'Ode to Joy' and is known for his loud and exciting symphonies, even when he couldn't hear very well?

- A) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- B) Ludwig van Beethoven
- C) Joseph Haydn
- D) George Frideric Handel

7. Which instrument has many strings that are plucked with fingers or a pick and can make a beautiful, shimmering sound?

- A) Guitar
- B) Harp
- C) Ukulele
- D) Lute

8. What is the name of the instrument that looks like a small violin and is held on the shoulder and played with a bow?

- A) Cello
- B) Viola
- C) Double bass
- D) Harp

9. Which composer wrote a musical piece called 'The Four Seasons', which tells stories about winter, spring, summer, and fall?

- A) Johann Sebastian Bach
- B) Antonio Vivaldi
- C) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- D) Franz Schubert

10. What do you call a group of musicians playing instruments together, often in a concert hall?

- A) A band
- B) A choir
- C) An orchestra
- D) A quartet

11. Which instrument makes music by blowing air through it and has many keys and holes, like a flute or a clarinet?

- A) Trumpet
- B) Trombone
- C) Oboe
- D) Saxophone

12. Who was a child prodigy composer who wrote beautiful music at a very young age and travelled to play for kings and queens?

- A) Ludwig van Beethoven
- B) Joseph Haydn
- C) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- D) Johann Sebastian Bach

13. What is the name of a short, catchy tune that is repeated many times in a piece of music?

- A) A symphony
- B) A concerto
- C) A melody
- D) A theme

14. Which percussion instrument is a large metal disc that is hit with a stick and makes a loud, shimmering sound?

- A) Drum
- B) Xylophone
- C) Cymbal
- D) Triangle

15. What musical term means to play the music softly and gently?

- A) Forte
- B) Piano
- C) Allegro
- D) Adagio

16. Which composer is famous for writing very long and grand musical pieces called 'symphonies', especially his Ninth Symphony?

- A) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- B) Antonio Vivaldi
- C) Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
- D) Ludwig van Beethoven

17. What instrument family uses mallets or sticks to hit surfaces and make sounds, like drums or xylophones?

- A) String instruments
- B) Wind instruments
- C) Keyboard instruments
- D) Percussion instruments

18. What is the name of the smallest member of the violin family, held under the chin and played with a bow?

- A) Viola
- B) Cello
- C) Harp
- D) Violin

19. Which composer wrote 'Peter and the Wolf', a musical story where different instruments represent characters?

- A) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- B) Sergei Prokofiev
- C) Johann Sebastian Bach
- D) Claude Debussy

20. What do we call a musical piece written for a solo instrument accompanied by an orchestra?

- A) A symphony
- B) An opera
- C) A sonata
- D) A concerto

21. Which composer is known for his complex and beautiful music, often played on the organ and harpsichord, and wrote the 'Brandenburg Concertos'?

- A) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- B) Ludwig van Beethoven
- C) Johann Sebastian Bach
- D) George Frideric Handel

22. What instrument has black and white keys and is played by pressing them to make sounds?

- A) Violin
- B) Trumpet
- C) Piano
- D) Drums

23. What is the name for a group of four musicians playing together?

- A) An orchestra
- B) A choir
- C) A quartet
- D) A band

24. Which composer wrote a famous piece called 'Gymnopédies' that sounds very peaceful and simple?

- A) Antonio Vivaldi
- B) Claude Debussy
- C) Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
- D) Joseph Haydn

25. What is the name of the very large, deep-sounding brass instrument that musicians often stand to play or sit with it between their knees?

- A) Tuba
- B) Trombone
- C) French horn
- D) Trumpet