

Classical Music: Dates, Names, and Numbers

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1. In what year did Johann Sebastian Bach complete his collection of six Brandenburg Concertos, dedicated to Christian Ludwig, Margrave of Brandenburg-Schwedt?

- A) 1718
- B) 1721
- C) 1723
- D) 1730

2. What is the catalogue number for Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Symphony No. 41 in C major, often referred to as the 'Jupiter' Symphony?

- A) KV 550
- B) KV 551
- C) KV 543
- D) KV 527

3. Ludwig van Beethoven's only opera, 'Fidelio', underwent several revisions. In what year was its final, definitive version premiered?

- A) 1805
- B) 1808
- C) 1814
- D) 1820

4. How many symphonies did Franz Schubert complete, including the 'Unfinished' Symphony No. 8?

- A) 7
- B) 8
- C) 9
- D) 10

5. What is the opus number for Frédéric Chopin's Revolutionary Étude, one of his most famous piano pieces?

- A) Op. 10, No. 3
- B) Op. 10, No. 12
- C) Op. 25, No. 1
- D) Op. 25, No. 11

6. In what year did Giuseppe Verdi's opera 'Aida' premiere in Cairo, commissioned for the opening of the Khedivial Opera House?

- A) 1869
- B) 1871
- C) 1874
- D) 1879

7. How many movements are there in Gustav Holst's orchestral suite 'The Planets'?

- A) 5
- B) 6
- C) 7
- D) 8

8. What is the opus number for Arnold Schoenberg's seminal atonal melodrama 'Pierrot Lunaire'?

- A) Op. 10
- B) Op. 13
- C) Op. 21
- D) Op. 25

9. In what year did Igor Stravinsky's ballet 'The Rite of Spring' famously premiere in Paris, leading to a riot?

- A) 1908
- B) 1913
- C) 1917
- D) 1920

10. How many complete symphonies did Johannes Brahms compose?

- A) 3
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 6