

The Baroque Period

1. Although the Thirty Years' War is sometimes called a religious war, Catholic France fought on the side of the Protestant League. Why?
 - a) King Louis XIV sympathized with the Protestant Reformers.
 - b) France was trying to avoid a war with post-Reformation England.
 - c) Protestant countries could have quickly defeated France if they supported Austria.
 - d) The French House of Bourbon hated the Habsburgs who ruled Spain and Austria.

2. Why was Galileo Galilei put on trial for heresy?
 - a) He believed the earth orbited the sun.
 - b) He used a telescope in his scientific research.
 - c) He rejected Tycho Brahe's geocentric model.
 - d) He wrote a treatise insulting the pope.

3. What happened to King Charles I of England?
 - a) He got into a war with his own parliament and lost.
 - b) He converted to Catholicism and was forced to abdicate the throne.
 - c) He fell in battle during the Thirty Years' War.
 - d) He died of dysentery.

4. Which of these is true about Henry Purcell's operas?
 - a) Although his audience was English, his *libretti* were all in Italian.
 - b) He drew from English folklore and literature, such as King Arthur and William Shakespeare.
 - c) They were composed without orchestral overtures or *intermezzi*.
 - d) Although well known for his sacred music, Purcell did not write operas.

5. Which of these movements might appear in a Baroque dance suite?
 - a) cabriole
 - b) relevé
 - c) minuet
 - d) arabesque

6. What Italian composer is renowned for his *solo concerti*?
 - a) Claudio Monteverdi
 - b) Johann Pachelbel
 - c) Antonio Vivaldi
 - d) Johann Sebastian Bach

7. What is the main theme of a fugue called?
 - a) the topic
 - b) the subject
 - c) the prompt
 - d) the libretto

8. Which musical form features an A-section, a contrasting B-section, and a return of the A-section?
 - a) binary
 - b) ternary
 - c) rondo
 - d) theme and variations

9. What famous building constructed by King Louis XIV is an archetype of Baroque architecture?
 - a) Buckingham Palace
 - b) Palace of Versailles
 - c) Neuschwanstein Castle
 - d) Chartres Cathedral

10. What happened to Jean-Baptiste Lully?
 - a) He was beheaded by King Louis XIV for writing an opera that depicted him in an unflattering manner.
 - b) While conducting his first *opera buffa*, he had a heart attack on the podium and died.
 - c) He traveled to the Ottoman Empire to study Janissary music, where he was murdered.
 - d) While trying to keep tempo during a rehearsal, he impaled himself in the foot with his cane and died.