

The History & Theory of MUSIC

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The Classical Period

1. What philosophical period, with its emphasis on the sovereign rights of the individual, corresponds to the Classical Period?
 - a) Neo-Platonism
 - b) Scholasticism
 - c) Enlightenment
 - d) Deconstructionist
2. What term refers to eighteenth century trade and human trafficking routes between Europe, Africa, and the Americas?
 - a) Triangle Trade
 - b) Globalism
 - c) Mercantilism
 - d) Columbian Exchange
3. Which of these is characteristic of sub-Saharan African music?
 - a) Triads
 - b) Harmonic Progression
 - c) Syncopation
 - d) Written Notation
4. What mid-eighteenth century war, known in North America as the "French and Indian War," is often considered the first "world war?"
 - a) The War of Austrian Succession
 - b) The Seven Years' War
 - c) The American Revolution
 - d) The Napoleonic Wars
5. Why was Mozart's *Die Entführung aus dem Serail*, set in Turkey, somewhat edgy?
 - a) Everything Mozart did was edgy.
 - b) Turkey was Austria's mortal archenemy.
 - c) Emperor Joseph II had specifically forbidden percussion instruments in the state opera.
 - d) Cymbals were associated with revolutionary movements in France and Italy.
6. What Italian-Austrian composer is well known for writing over 40 operas, but better known for killing Mozart, which he almost certainly did not do?
 - a) Napoléon Bonaparte
 - b) Arthur Fonzarelli
 - c) Don Vito Corleone
 - d) Antonio Salieri
7. What song became the anthem of the French Revolution?
 - a) Frère Jacques
 - b) Au Claire de la Lune
 - c) Liberté, Egalité, Fraternité
 - d) La Marseillaise
8. What is the answer to the question asked in the first verse of Francis Scott Key's *Star-Spangled Banner*?
 - a) Yes
 - b) No
 - c) Maybe
 - d) The Star-Spangled Banner is a racist construction written to prop up a regime of systematic oppression.
9. To whom did Beethoven dedicate his Third Symphony, and why is it often assumed he scratched out the dedication?
 - a) It was dedicated to Emperor Joseph II, who died just before the premiere.
 - b) It was dedicated to his doctor, who failed to prevent the loss of his hearing.
 - c) It was dedicated to Mozart, who had an affair with Beethoven's wife.
 - d) It was dedicated to Napoléon Bonaparte, who declared himself Emperor in 1804.
10. What instrument, invented by Bartolomeo Cristofori in 1700, became very popular in Europe during the Classical Period?
 - a) The violin
 - b) The piano
 - c) The erhu
 - d) The hurdy-gurdy