

The Twentieth Century

What genre formed in New Orleans in the early 1900s as a combination of African rhythm and European harmony?

- a) spirituals
- b) the Blues
- c) ragtime
- d) Tin Pan Alley

What happened at the 1918 premiere of Igor Stravinsky's "The Rite of Spring?"

- a) The concert was halted due to the outbreak of the Bolshevik Revolution.
- b) There was a riot in the audience.
- c) A German artillery shell fell on the opera house, but the orchestra kept playing.
- d) Two dancers died attempting to perform Vaslav Nijinsky's choreography.

What four cities trace Louis Armstrong's career and the spread of Dixieland jazz across the United States?

- a) New Orleans, Kansas City, Chicago, New York City
- b) Atlantic City, Philadelphia, Washington DC, Charleston
- c) Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, New York City
- d) New Orleans, Savannah, Charleston, Washington DC

Why was Arnold Schönberg's musical technique called "serialism?"

- a) His compositions were published in a <u>series</u> of short movements.
- b) His technique is based on <u>series</u> of twelve-tones.
- c) It was the first to be printed by a large publishing company that assigned each piece a <u>serial</u> number.
- d) His music has inspired generations of serial killers.

How was popular music like jazz and rock received in the Soviet Union?

- a) Music was censored by the State Committee on the Arts, which generally only approved classical music.
- b) It was widely enjoyed and contributed to a flourishing of Russian jazz artists in Moscow cafés.
- c) Jazz and rock were freely recorded and published but never gained popularity among Russians.
- d) The CIA secretly broadcast rock and roll into Russia, knowing its irresistible beats would lead to the collapse of communism.

What genre developed in the 1960s as a response to the fast tempos of Bebop?

- a) Rock & Roll
- b) Cool Jazz
- c) Jazz Fusion
- d) Minimalism

What does MIDI stand for?

- a) Musically Integrated Digital Information
- b) Musical Instrument Digital Interface
- c) Musical Instrument Downloadable Internet
- d) Music Is Definitely Interesting