

Music Theory I (1 fine arts credit)

Cedar Ridge High School - Ensemble Room (E121)

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Romantic Era Music Listening and Research Project

*****Due WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND*****

Objective: In this project, you will learn about music in the 19th Century, a major composer of the 19th century, and a piece of music for which your selected composer is known. You will present your findings to the class. This should be an opportunity for you to focus on a composer in the 19th century and learn about other composers from your peers.

Requirements and Point Break Down

- **Research Paper - TEST GRADE - Due WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND**
 - o 2 FULL pages, Double Spaced
 - o Font - 12 point Times New Roman
 - o Works Cited Page - Must have a minimum of 3 sources (not Wikipedia)
 - o Your research paper should answer the following prompt:
Why are this composer and this work significant to 19th century music? Include the musical context of the 19th century, a biography/overview of your selected composer and musical work, and why you selected this particular piece.
- **Presentation - TEST GRADE - Due TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th**
 - o 8-10 minutes in length
 - o Power point, trifold board, or skit format
 - o At least one slide/side/scene devoted to your selected composer
 - o At least one slide/side/scene devoted to your selected piece of music.
 - o An attachment to a recording of the piece of music.

Listening:

Find a piece of music that fully exemplifies your chosen composer. Many composers are known for a specific style of music; some are very well known for their contributions to Opera while others may be known for piano or art song compositions. Your research about your composer should lead you easily to the style of music on which to focus.

21st Century Composers:

- Claude Debussy
- Richard Strauss
- Bela Bartok
- Samuel Barber
- Scott Joplin
- Gustav Holst
- Arnold Schoenberg
- Miles Davis
- Sergei Rachmaninov
- Ralph Vaughan Williams
- Charles Ives
- Benjamin Britten

- Gustav Mahler
- Erik Satie
- Igor Stravinsky
- John Cage