

1100.01 Study Questions No. 3-20th Century Art Music and Jazz/Popular Music
Styles and Origins

1. Why did 20th art music composers begin to lose their middle class audiences?
2. Why did 20th century art music become so diversified in its styles?
3. What types of music began to influence 20th century art music styles?
4. What famous piece of music caused a riot to break out when it was first performed in 1913?
5. Name the five composers of 20th century art music that we studied. Name five styles of 20th century art music.
6. Who were the most important composers of the French impressionist style of music?
7. Where did impressionist art originate?
8. What ideas and moods were impressionist painters and musicians trying to portray with their artistic creations?
9. How did Debussy make his music sound dreamy and unclear? Think in terms of rhythm (beat and meter), timbre (the way instruments are used), harmonies (types of chords), melody (types of scales used), and dynamics (softs-louds).
10. How did Stravinsky make his *Rite of Spring* ballet sound primitive and harsh?
11. Name three famous ballets of the American composer Aaron Copland.
12. What French artist painted the famous work *Impression: Sunrise*? What was this painting like? What French composer tried to make his music sound like French impressionist painting?
13. Who was the "Dean of African-American composers? What were some of the influences in his style of music?
14. Who was the most famous American bandmaster and marchwriter? What was his most famous march?
15. What was the original purpose of a march?
16. What were three types of music that influenced early jazz?

17. Where did ragtime originate? Who was the most famous composer of ragtime? What was his most famous piece of ragtime music?
18. Where did jazz originate? Why did it originate there?
19. What were five features of New Orleans style jazz? Think of melody (scales used), timbres (instruments used), textures (is it monophonic, homophonic, or polyphonic), harmonies (chords used), and rhythms?
20. Where did the Blues originate? From what types of earlier music does the Blues come? What were three characteristics of the Blues? Think of melody (scales used), harmony (chords used), and format.
21. In jazz, when one instrument or voice answers another, it is called_____?
22. Who was the most famous early Blues singer?
23. The most important early jazz artist was the trumpeter_____.
24. When and where did jazz originate? When did the center of jazz shift to Chicago?
25. When was ragtime popular with the general public? When did jazz become popular with the general public?
26. When was swing style jazz popular with the general public?
27. What instruments are found in the rhythm section of a swing style jazz band?
28. What wind instruments are found in a swing style jazz band?
29. The famous swing style band leader we studied was_____.
30. When did bebop style jazz originate? Why was bebop jazz not popular with the general public? Who was the famous bebop jazz saxophonist that we studied?