

Super-Brainiac Quiz

Episode 9: Weird Instruments

1. Which inventor and artist designed the viola-organista?
2. How is the spooky-sounding theremin played?
(Circle the answer)
 - a. by pressing its keys
 - b. by waving your hand above it
 - c. by shouting at it
3. What vegetable can be made into a recorder?
4. American musician John Cage wrote a piece consisting of 4 minutes and 33 seconds of what?
5. In 1987, Cage wrote a piece called
6. Leroy Anderson composed a piece of music to be played on what?

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9. In what composition are real toys used as instruments?

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10. The earliest recording of what sound dates back to 1860?

11. The song Cantus Arcticus features the voices of

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12. Benjamin Franklin built what beautiful instrument?

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ANSWER SHEET (no peeking!)

- 1. Which inventor and artist designed the viola-organista?** *Leonardo da Vinci*
- 2. How is the spooky-sounding theremin played?**
b. by waving your hand above it
- 3. What vegetable can be made into a recorder?**
A carrot
- 4. American musician John Cage wrote a piece consisting of 4 minutes and 33 seconds of what?** *Silence*
- 5. In 1987, Cage wrote a piece called...**
As Slow as Possible
- 6. Leroy Anderson composed a piece of music to be played on what?** *A typewriter*
- 7. What tool did Giuseppe Verdi have the musicians play in his 1853 opera Il Trovatore?** *An anvil*

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8. Stockhausen's wrote a string quartet for the musicians to play whilst flying in what? **Helicopters**
9. In what composition are real toys used as instruments? **The Toy Symphony**
10. The earliest recording of what sound dates back to 1860? **The human voice**
11. The song Cantus Arcticus features the voices of... **birds**
12. Benjamin Franklin built what beautiful instrument? **The glass harmonica**

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