

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

- Life and work

Video Comprehension Questions:

1. Where was Tchaikovsky born?

- a) Votkinsk, Russia
- b) Saint Petersburg
- c) Vienna
- d) Moscow

2. At what age did Tchaikovsky officially start having piano lessons?

- a) 4
- b) 5
- c) 6
- d) 7

3. What was the official cause of Tchaikovsky's death?

- a) Cholera
- b) Tuberculosis
- c) Pneumonia
- d) Influenza

4. Who was Tchaikovsky's nanny?

- a) Funny Dubois
- b) Maria
- c) Sofia
- d) Anna

5. In which year did Tchaikovsky die?

- a) 1900
- b) 1853
- c) 1893
- d) 1896

6. What did Tchaikovsky study at the Imperial School of Jurisprudence?

- a) Music
- b) Law
- c) Medicine
- d) History

7. Who were Tchaikovsky's professors at the conservatory?

- a) Anton Rubinstein and Nikolai Zaremba
- b) Ludwig van Beethoven and Johann Sebastian Bach
- c) Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Franz Schubert
- d) Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky and Sergei Rachmaninoff

8. How many siblings did Tchaikovsky have?

- a) 5
- b) 7
- c) 10
- d) 12

9. Which of the following is NOT a famous composition by Tchaikovsky?

- a) Romeo and Juliet Overture Fantasy
- b) The Nutcracker
- c) Swan Lake Ballet
- d) The Barber of Seville

10. Where did Tchaikovsky die?

- a) Vienna
- b) Saint Petersburg
- c) Moscow
- d) Paris

True or False

1. Tchaikovsky was born in 1840. (True / False)

2. Tchaikovsky's family had a long history of musical service. (True / False)

3. Tchaikovsky started piano lessons at the age of four(True / False)
4. Tchaikovsky graduated as a counselor from the imperial school of jurisprudence. (True / False)
5. Tchaikovsky's most famous compositions include Romeo and Juliet overture fantasy. (True / False)
6. Tchaikovsky's official cause of death was reported to be cholera. (True / False)
7. Tchaikovsky's nanny, Fanny Dürbach, was from Russia. (True / False)
8. Tchaikovsky enrolled at the Russian Musical Society at the age of 20. (True / False)
9. Tchaikovsky's musical career began as an instrumentalist in one of the imperial theaters. (True / False)
10. Tchaikovsky's earliest known compositions were saved by his governess, Fanny Dürbach. (True / False)