

Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grade Arts Student?

Category 1: Name the Artist



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Arts Fact: The Arts and Education Council funds grants to 70 arts and arts education organizations in the metropolitan St. Louis area.

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Category 2: Music

1. Francis Scott Key wrote the poem that would later become the words to our National Anthem during which war?
A: The Revolutionary War
B: The Civil War
C: The French and Indian War
D: The War of 1812
2. What musician, known for “The St. Louis Blues,” was the first to write down blues music and the first to publish it?
A: Leadbelly
B: Scott Joplin
C: Muddy Waters
D: W.C. Handy
3. What was used to conduct the orchestra before the baton was introduced in the early 19th century?
A: The conductor’s white-gloved hand
B: A violin bow
C: A drum stick
D: The concertmaster’s shoe
4. Baroque music is associated with what time period?
A: The Middle Ages
B: The Renaissance
C: The 20th Century
D: The Paleozoic Era
5. Which popular song used in the film “The Blackboard Jungle” was one of the first rock-and-roll hits?
A: “Good Golly, Miss Molly”
B: “Rock Around the Clock”
C: “Great Balls of Fire”
D: “Hound Dog”

Arts Fact: The Arts and Education Council raises only private funds – it receives no tax dollars or government support – to support the arts in our area.

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Category 3: Literary Arts

1. Which of the following is not a fable by Aesop?
A: "The Grasshopper and the Owl"
B: "The Donkey and the Dog"
C: "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe"
D: "The Tortoise and the Hare"
2. Matilda Wormwood, Mr. Twit, Prince Pondicherry and the Big Friendly Giant are characters invented by which author?
A: J.K. Rowling
B: Brian Jacques
C: Truman Capote
D: Roald Dahl
3. The award given annually by the American Library Association for the most distinguished children's book is called:
A: The Pulitzer Prize
B: The Newbery Medal
C: The Mark Twain Award
D: The Nobel Prize
4. French author Jules Verne is credited as pioneering what literary genre?
A: Science fiction
B: Suspense
C: The graphic novel
D: The short story
5. What popular American writer coined the word nerd?
A: Benjamin Spock
B: Eudora Welty
C: Langston Hughes
D: Dr. Seuss

Arts Fact: Since its founding in 1963, the Arts and Education Council has raised and distributed nearly \$100 million, solely through private donations like yours.

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Category 4: Dance

1. The ballet pose on one leg inspired by Moorish designs is called:
A: Arabesque
B: Plie
C: Chasse
D: Contretemps
2. Which material is used for the taps of modern tap shoes?
A: Shatterproof glass
B: Metal
C: Bamboo
D: PVC plastic
3. What is the name of the heroine in *The Nutcracker*?
A: Clara
B: Maria
C: Marsha
D: Natasha
4. What color of ballet shoes did Hans Christian Anderson write about?
A: Black
B: Silver
C: Red
D: Pink
5. The “Electric Slide” is associated with what form of dancing?
A: Hip hop
B: Line dancing
C: Ballroom
D: Tap

Arts Fact: Workplace giving campaigns account for one-third of all donations received by the Arts and Education Council. Approximately 10,000 employees donate each year.



Category 5: Theater

1. How was the famous Globe Theater destroyed in 1613?
A: Too many people attending a performance caused the building to collapse
B: A cannon used during a play set fire to the roof
C: Queen Elizabeth ordered it destroyed after an outbreak of the plague
D: Record flooding of the Thames engulfed it in water

2. What is a melodrama?
A: The exaggeration of characters in conflict
B: A dramatic presentation that makes a subject appear ridiculous
C: A melody of music
D: all of the above

3. To what does "stage left" refer?
A: The left of the stage as seen from the audience's point of view
B: Too much space between actors (too much stage left)
C: The left of the stage as seen from the actor's point of view
D: The direction an actor departs after an audition

4. Who was the first playwright and actor?
A: William Shakespeare
B: Thesbis
C: Laura Ingalls Wilder
D: Leonardo da Vinci

5. In what year were candles and oil lamps replaced by gas lights in the theater?
A: 1925
B: 492
C: 1820
D: 1960

Arts Fact: In 2011, the Arts and Education Council has allocated nearly \$1.1 million in grants to arts and arts education organizations in the 16-county bi-state region.

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Tie-Breaker Category: The Arts - General

1. What was on the ceiling of the Vatican's Sistine Chapel before Michelangelo painted his famous fresco?
A: Silver stars on a plain blue field
B: Cracked plaster
C: A depiction of Christ's resurrection
D: A field of poppies

2. What is the chief oil in the oil paints used by artists?
A: Linseed oil
B: Canola oil
C: Kerosene
D: Olive oil

3. Who drew the first cartoon published in an American newspaper?
A: Samuel Adams
B: Thomas Jefferson
C: Charles Schulz
D: Benjamin Franklin

4. What gold-plated 33-rpm record did the Apollo astronauts leave behind on the moon?
A: "Aquarius/Let the Sunshine In" by the 5th Dimension
B: David Bowie's "Space Oddity"
C: Richard Wagner's "Ride of the Valkyries"
D: Original cast recording of "Camelot"

5. In oil painting, why shouldn't you dry your paintings in the dark?
A: Because then you can't see when it's dry
B: Because this may cause a thin film of oil to rise to the surface, yellowing it
C: Because paint needs sunlight to dry
D: Because it'll stay wet and eventually go moldy

Arts Fact: A 2010 study of Missouri public schools showed that exposure to arts education increases math and communication arts test scores and leads to higher graduation rates.

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