

6th Class Optional Weekly Project

25th - 29th January 2021

Theme: Composer

Where to begin?

Already know a composer you would like to do? Great! If not, I would suggest listening to some pieces of music and see what you like then go from there. Remember a composer is someone who writes music, most often for orchestral use, so that includes people who write for musicals, operas, computer games, TV shows and films! If it has a soundtrack it has a composer! Here are a few suggestions if you're really stuck:

- Classical Composers: Ludwig Beethoven, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Antonio Vivaldi
- Lin Manuel Miranda (Moana)
- Hans Zimmer (Gladiator, Pirates of the Caribbean, Batman –The Dark Knight)
- John Williams (Star Wars, E.T., Indiana Jones, Jaws, Jurassic Park, Harry Potter)

I have a Composer – What now?

Now you can get to gathering information:

- Short biographical details (Birthday, where they grew up, family etc.)
- Famous works – Keep this limited, there may be too many to cover. Choose your favourites.
- My favourite piece – Choose a favourite piece or album. This might be one standalone track, a piece of a larger work or a complete soundtrack! Why is your favourite? What is so good about it?
- Interesting facts.

Remember a project like this should inform and interest your audience so include a picture or two and make sure it's presented in an easy-to-read manner.

I've done my research ... am I done?

How will you present your project? Will you:

- Organise a poster of information and pictures? (upload a picture when finished)
- Create a Google slides presentation? (provide a link when finished)
- Write out an essay on your topic in your copy or on a refill pad? (upload a picture when finished)

Make sure your project is clearly laid out and easy to follow. This might take a bit of thinking on your part. Remember too much information can be as bad as too little so always check you are not going too far off from your topic!

Any final tips?

Absolutely! Make sure:

- You title each section of new information clearly
- Don't waffle too much
- If writing make sure it is clear and easy to read!

Useful websites for research:

<https://www.classicsforkids.com/composers.html>

<https://kids.kiddle.co/Composer>

<https://www.worldbookonline.com/kids/home#search/Composer>