



Music Virtual Learning

Music Appreciation-Classical Social/Artistic Characteristics.

April 15, 2020



Music Appreciation

Lesson: April 15, 2020

Objective/Learning Target: Becoming familiar with the social and artistic aspects of the Classical Era.

Classical Music

— Diving into the details of social and artistic aspects of the —
era.

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Bell Ringer: List 3 facts you remember from yesterday's video lesson.

Social Aspects of the Classical Era

Era of new progressive thinking!

Tolerance for all religions and a break away from the abuses of the church and the state.

Push towards an intellectual movement.

Music is no longer just for the rich and famous...it's for everyone!

The Enlightenment/The Age of Reason

The classical era has two names in regards to the shift in thinking about education and religion.

1. The Enlightenment
2. The Age of Reason

The **Enlightenment**, also known as the **Age of Reason**, was a time when man began to use his **reason** to discover the world, casting off the superstition and fear of the medieval world. ... **Enlightenment** thinkers examined the rational basis of all beliefs and in the process rejected the authority of church and state.

The Enlightenment Explained

Watch this short video about the Enlightenment.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nly9r_xYyPA

Answer the following as you watch:

1. What part of the world are we talking about mostly?
2. What was the goal of the Enlightenment?
3. What issues did the Enlightenment address?
4. Who was the most important historical figure during this time?
5. What two American documents utilize Enlightenment principals?

What makes this era “classical?”

From 1750 on, artists, musicians, and architects wanted to get away from the strange opulence of the Baroque **period** and move to emulate the clean, uncluttered style of **Classical** Greece. This **period** is **called Classical** because of that desire to emulate the works of the ancient Greeks.

Classical Artwork



Classical Adjectives

Let's list some words that describe the Classical era based off of what we have learned thus far:

1. Clean
2. Organized
3. Greek
4. You list 4 more adjectives that describe the ideas of Enlightenment or artwork on your own.

What comes next?

These same ideas will also inform the composers and music of the classical era. Let's do some foreshadowing towards the next lesson by answering a reflection question to close this lesson.

1. Using your current knowledge, how do you think music will be composed and what types of sounds do you think we will hear?

We will discover the musical characteristics of the era in the next lesson!
Thanks for completing this lesson!