



Music Virtual Learning

**Middle School Music Appreciation and
6th Grade Choir**

May 7, 2020



Lesson: [May 7, 2020]

**Objective/Learning Target:
Connect and Respond**

We are continuing our study of music in the movie industry yesterday we learned that movie music has four main purposes:

1. Create a sense of time and place (is it in the past, present, future)
2. Convey/describe character and ideas (is it the hero, villain, lovers, enemies)
3. Creating a mood or atmosphere (is it peaceful, tense, war)
4. Express emotions (joy, love, anger, resentful)

Today we're going to look at what it takes to compose some movie music because it is different than some of the classical music we've listened to in class. And, we're going to learn about one of the most famous movie composers, John Williams.

Music for Film



Composing Film music

- Film music must be understood immediately, so there is no time to develop long themes.
- It rarely uses conventional compositional forms such as the Ternary (ABA) etc.
- Film music is composed to accompany the action on screen and often uses quick and abrupt changes of:
 - tempo,
 - harmony,
 - melody and
 - dynamics, as well as
 - rapid shifts from one musical idea to the next



Music for Film



Film music composers often use leitmotifs (motifs) to represent a recurring musical idea.

The motif could represent a:

- particular idea
- character or
- place

Can you think of four motifs used in film? E.g. The Pink Panther Theme

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____



<https://youtu.be/hNv5sPu0C1E>

This is an example of a motif (theme)..... DARTH VADER



<https://youtu.be/VRXw1FzOz5M>

Indiana Jones motif (theme)

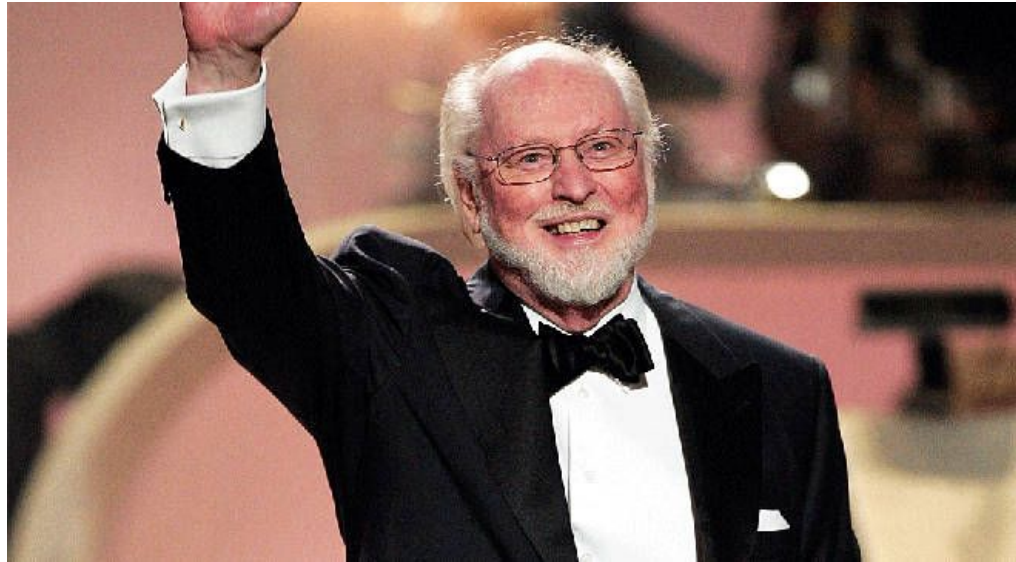


https://youtu.be/GTXBLyp7_Dw

Hedwig's motif (theme) from Harry Potter



Star Wars, Indiana Jones, Harry Potter, and
yesterday's Jaws have music all written by the
same composer!!
John Williams!





John Williams



Time Period: Modern



John Williams was born on February 8, 1932 in New York (in the United States of America). When John was sixteen his family moved to California. He joined the Air Force when he was twenty and wrote music for the Air Force Band and was also the **conductor** of them. When he left the Air Force he moved back to New York and studied piano at The Julliard School of Music (a very famous music school).

John Williams has written in many **genres** of music including: concertos, fanfares, fugues, quartets, sonatas, **soundtracks** and symphonies. He has written some of the most famous themes for characters in movies.

Vocab Words:

- ♫ **conductor** - leader or director of a musical group
- ♫ **genres** - types, forms or styles of music
- ♫ **soundtrack** - musical recordings that accompany movies or television programs
- ♫ **theme** - a recognizable melody, a complete musical phrase

In addition to composing, John Williams was the conductor for the Boston Pops Orchestra for several years. John Williams, still composes and is a guest conductor for symphony orchestras today. He has received many different awards for his work



including: five Academy Awards (Oscar's), twenty-one Grammy Awards (American National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences), four Golden Globes (Hollywood Foreign Press Association), five Emmy's (Television Academy Members) and seven BAFTA (British Academy of Film and Television Arts) Awards. He is one of the most famous and respected American composers.

Famous Musical Works Featured in Movies:

Close Encounters of the Third Kind, E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, Home Alone, Jurassic Park, Lincoln, Raiders of the Lost Ark, The Patriot, Star Wars, Superman, and War Horse

Watch this video on how John Williams composed his Star Wars music.

Take note of:

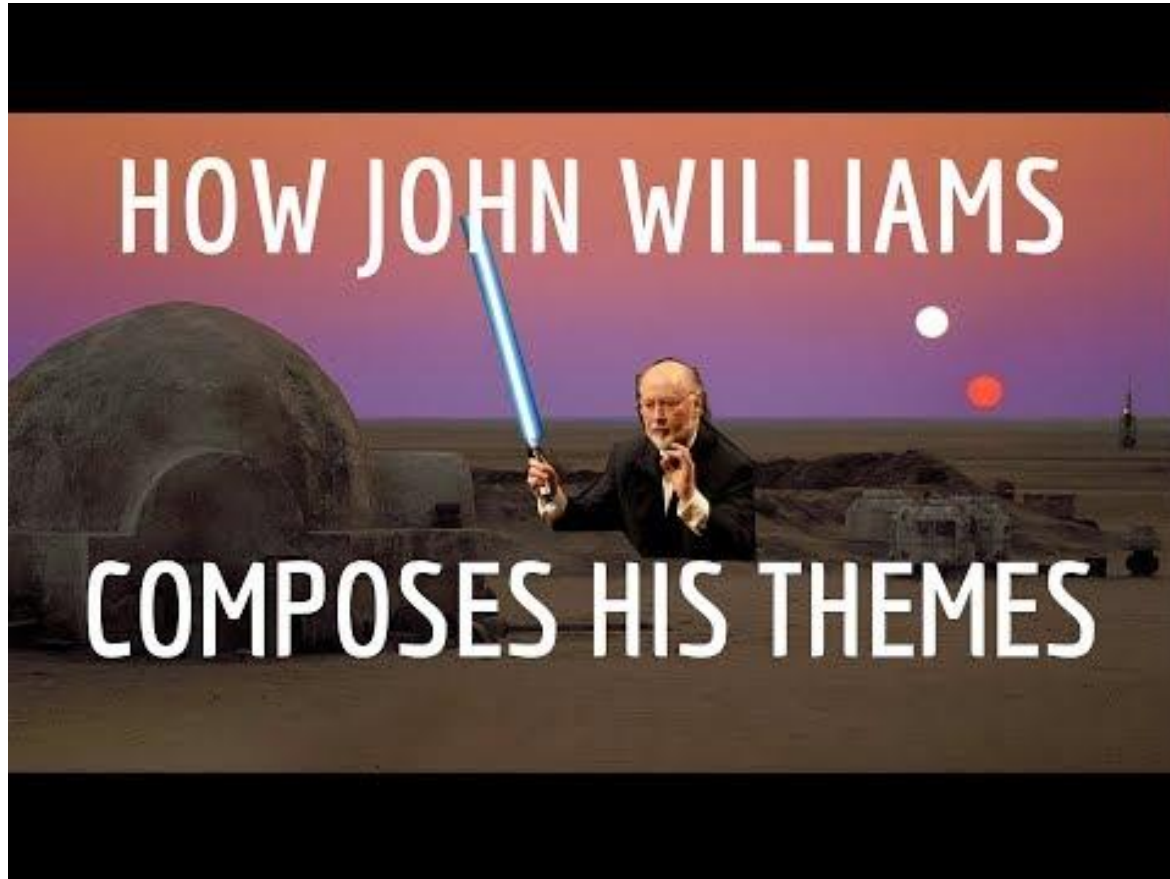
What composers does John Williams take his ideas from?

What 5 things do modern films focus on instead of long full length themes?

What do tension and climax have to do with the musical theme or motif?

Where you aware that there were that there were other themes in Star Wars (Yoda, Rey, Leia, love?)

<https://youtu.be/1z5YmjSgyoo>



Extension #1:

It's May the 4th week, which means Star Wars week for the fans, hence all the Star Wars themes for movie music week. So, for our first extension simply enjoy the hard work of these YouTubers and their Remix's of Star Wars music!

<https://youtu.be/BgAlQuqzI8o>





STAR WARS MEDLEY

PETER
HOLLENS

part of
YouTube GEEK WEEK

LINDSEY
STIRLING

Ok, for you non Star Wars Fans- Jurassic Park is still by John Williams!

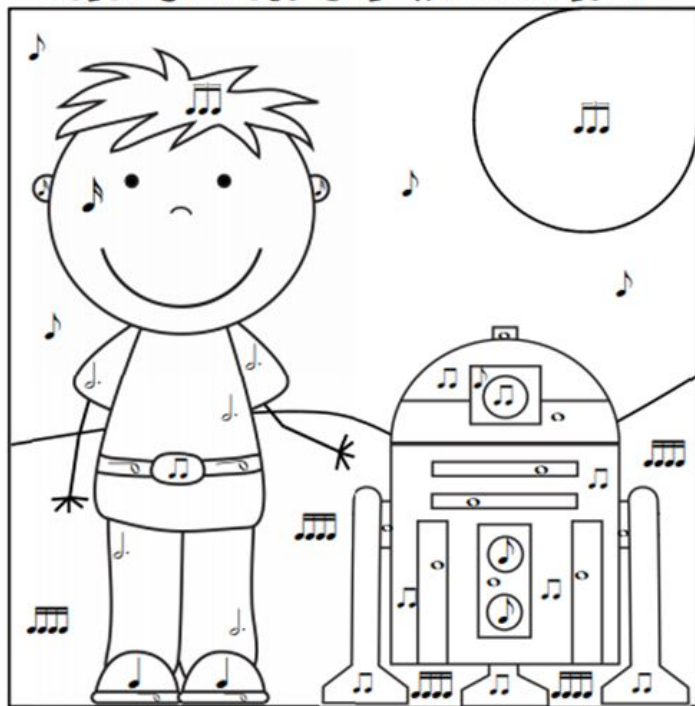


Extension #2:

Since we had May the 4th on Monday, here's some rhythm review Star Wars coloring sheets, I hope they work if you have a printer!

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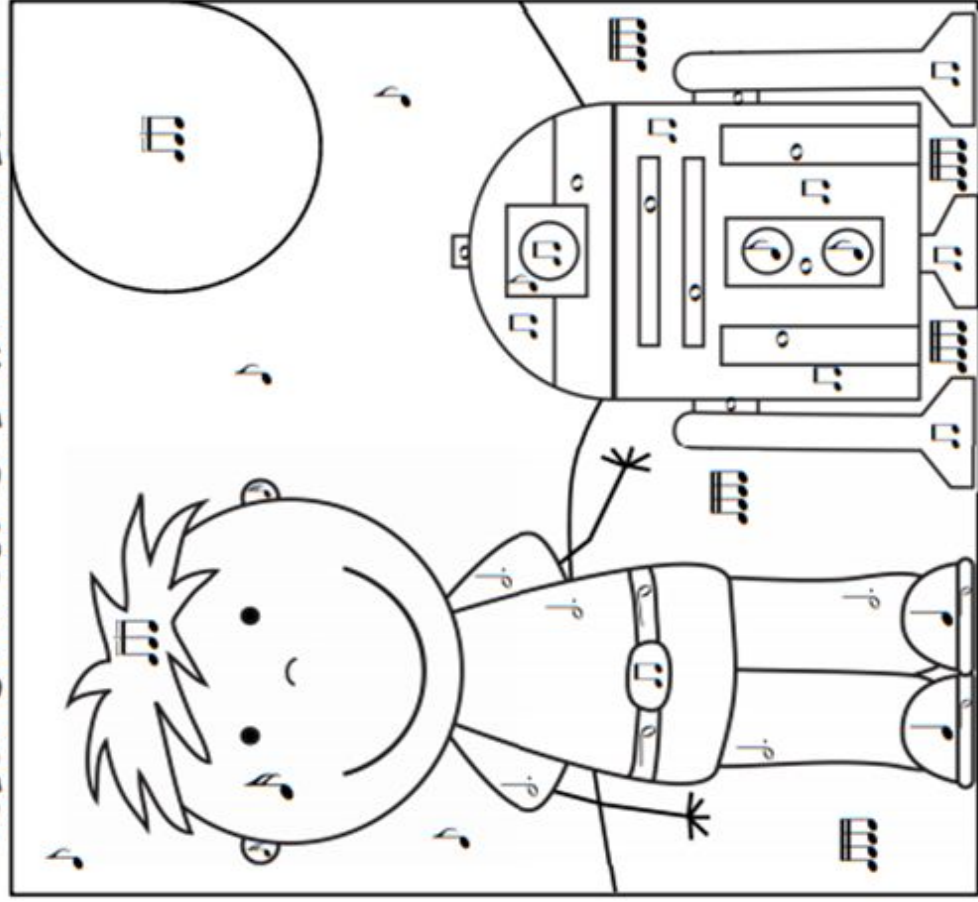
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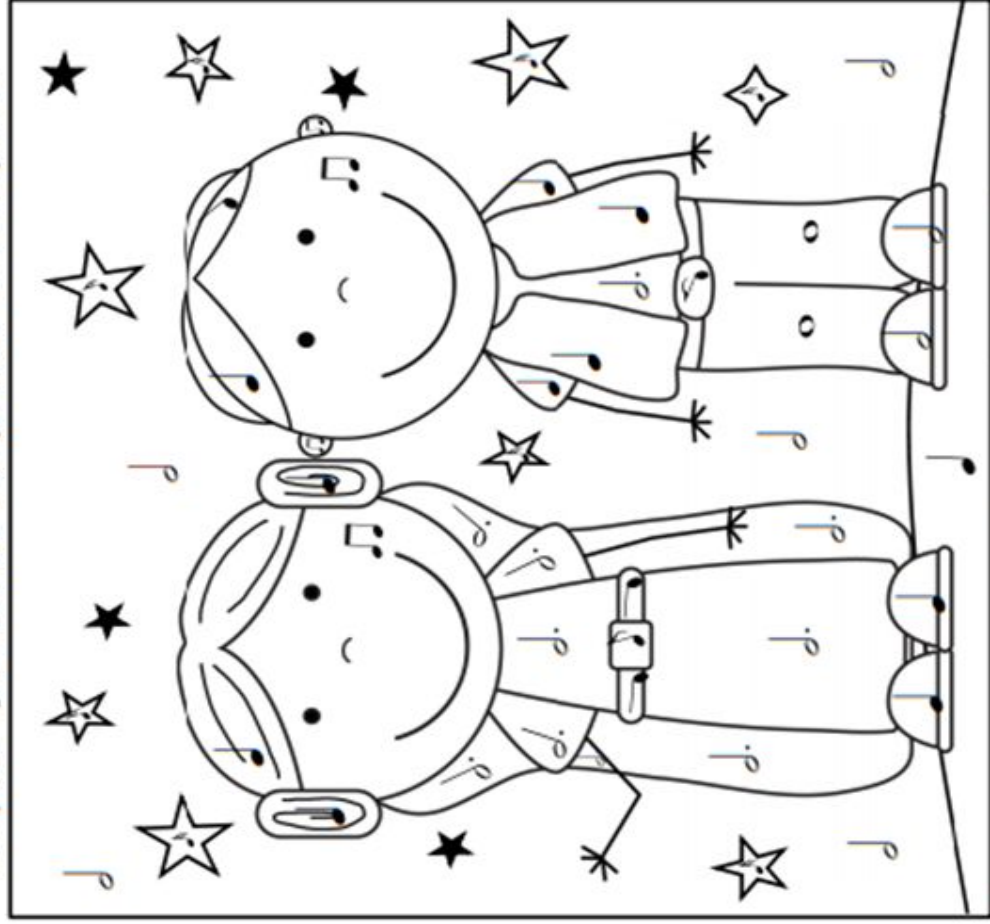
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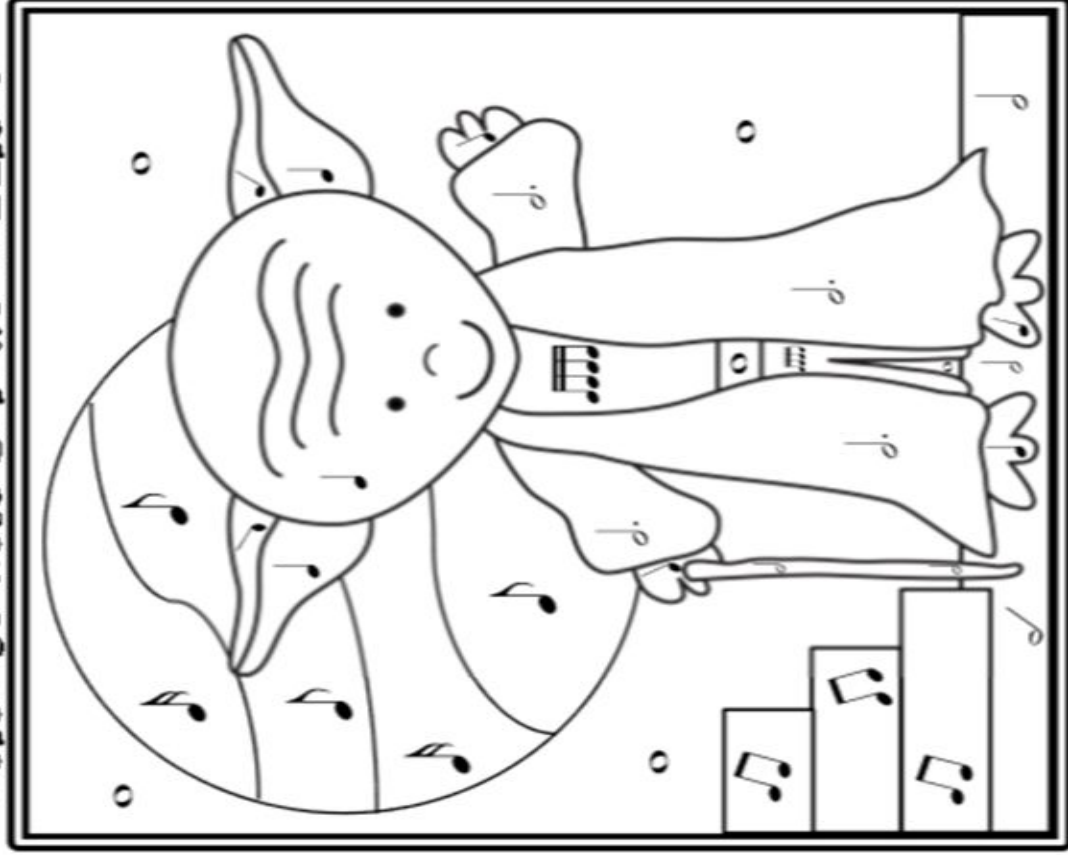


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♩ = Light Brown ♪ = Red ♪ = Orange

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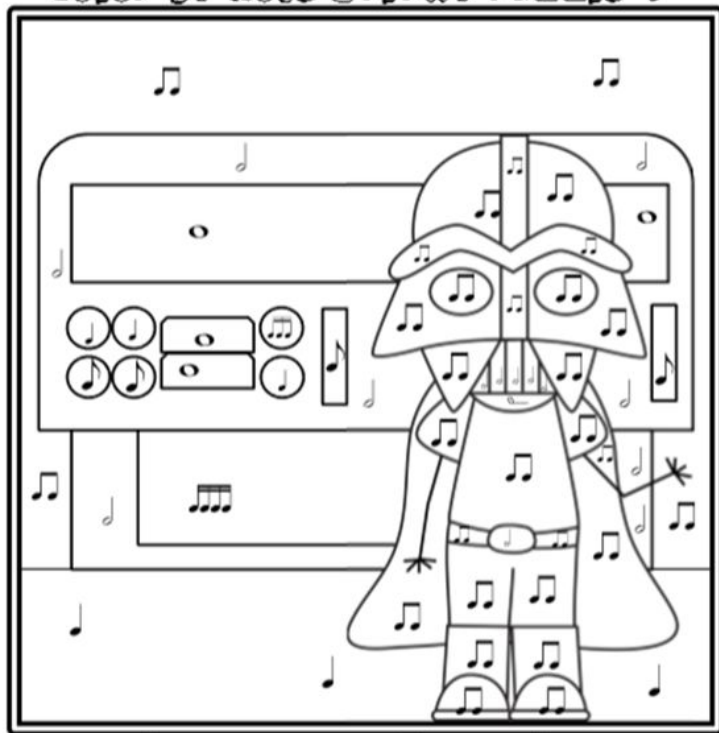
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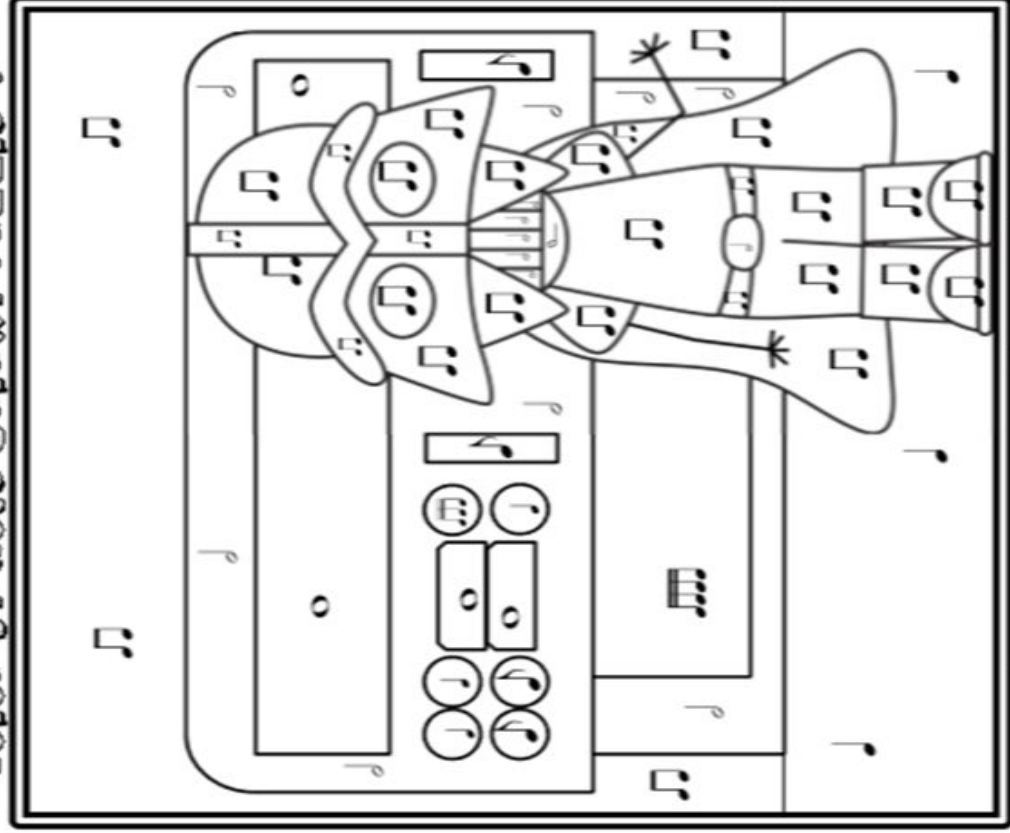


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♫ = Purple ♪ = Yellow ♫ = Green

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