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**Match terms**

*Task: Match each term with the appropriate explanation!*

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| (B) | Composer | (1) | birthplace of Beethoven |
| (C) | Ode to Joy | (2) | creator of musical works |
| (E) | Eroica Symphony | (3) | highly skilled pianist |
| (E) | Romantic era | (4) | famous Beethoven composition |
| (I) | Archduke Trio | (5) | part of 9th Symphony |
| (J) | Piano virtuoso | (6) | well-known piano sonata |
| (O) | Bonn | (7) | notable chamber music piece |
| (T) | Moonlight Sonata | (8) | type of chamber music |
| (V) | String quartets | (9) | period after Classical period |

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**Complete sentences**

*Task: Match the beginning of each sentence with the end!*

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| (C) | Beethoven was born ... | (1) | ... in Bonn in 1770. |
| (C) | He began to lose ... | (2) | ... at the age of 17. |
| (E) | He also created influential ... | (3) | ... became a pupil of Haydn. |
| (H) | He moved to Vienna ... | (4) | ... his hearing in his twenties. |
| (I) | In Vienna, Beethoven ... | (5) | ... symphonies considered masterpieces. |
| (K) | Beethoven composed nine ... | (6) | ... chamber music and piano sonatas. |
| (N) | Beethoven died in Vienna ... | (7) | ... in 1827. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | Where was Beethoven born? |
| (R) | in Salzburg |
| (T) | in Bonn |
| (V) | in Vienna |
| 2. | Who was Beethoven’s first teacher in Vienna? |
| (A) | Johann Sebastian Bach |
| (I) | Joseph Haydn |
| (S) | Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart |
| 3. | What personal tragedy did Beethoven face? |
| (C) | Loss of hearing |
| (N) | Loss of speech |
| (R) | Loss of sight |
| 4. | What is the „Eroica“ Symphony? |
| (K) | A composition by Beethoven |
| (R) | A novel by Tolstoy |
| (V) | A painting by Picasso |
| 5. | What is the „Moonlight Sonata“? |
| (A) | An opera by Verdi |
| (E) | A piano sonata by Beethoven |
| (S) | A symphony by Mozart |
| 6. | When did Beethoven die? |
| (R) | In 1770 |
| (T) | In 1827 |
| (V) | In 1800 |

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**Right or wrong?**

*Task: State whether the statements are true or false!*

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| right | wrong |  |
| (C) | (V) | 1. Beethoven was born in Bonn. |
| (F) | (H) | 2. Beethoven was born in Vienna. |
| (R) | (U) | 3. Beethoven was a violin virtuoso. |
| (R) | (S) | 4. Beethoven was a piano virtuoso. |
| (C) | (T) | 5. The „Eroica“ Symphony is by Beethoven. |
| (A) | (H) | 6. The „Eroica“ Symphony is a sonata. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

*Task: Answer the questions in one or two complete sentences!*

What was Beethoven’s birthplace?

Who was Beethoven’s first teacher in Vienna?

What personal tragedy did Beethoven face?

What is the „Eroica“ Symphony?

What is the „Moonlight Sonata“?

When did Beethoven die?

What is Beethoven’s significance in the classical period?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Ludwig van Beethoven**

**Match terms**

Bonn = birthplace of Beethoven

Composer = creator of musical works

Piano virtuoso = highly skilled pianist

Eroica Symphony = famous Beethoven composition

Ode to Joy = part of 9th Symphony

Moonlight Sonata = well-known piano sonata

Archduke Trio = notable chamber music piece

String quartets = type of chamber music

Romantic era = period after Classical period

Keyword: OBJECTIVE

**Complete sentences**

Beethoven was born | in Bonn in 1770.

He moved to Vienna | at the age of 17.

In Vienna, Beethoven | became a pupil of Haydn.

He began to lose | his hearing in his twenties.

Beethoven composed nine | symphonies considered masterpieces.

He also created influential | chamber music and piano sonatas.

Beethoven died in Vienna | in 1827.

Keyword: CHICKEN

**Questions**

Where was Beethoven born?

in Bonn

Who was Beethoven’s first teacher in Vienna?

Joseph Haydn

What personal tragedy did Beethoven face?

Loss of hearing

What is the „Eroica“ Symphony?

A composition by Beethoven

What is the „Moonlight Sonata“?

A piano sonata by Beethoven

When did Beethoven die?

In 1827

Keyword: TICKET

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Beethoven was born in Bonn.

4. Beethoven was a piano virtuoso.

5. The „Eroica“ Symphony is by Beethoven.

wrong

6. The „Eroica“ Symphony is a sonata.

2. Beethoven was born in Vienna.

3. Beethoven was a violin virtuoso.

Keyword: CHURCH

**Solution sheet 2**

**Ludwig van Beethoven**

**Questions and answers**

What was Beethoven’s birthplace?

Beethoven was born in Bonn.

Who was Beethoven’s first teacher in Vienna?

In Vienna, Beethoven first became a pupil of Joseph Haydn.

What personal tragedy did Beethoven face?

In his late twenties, Beethoven began to lose his hearing.

What is the „Eroica“ Symphony?

The „Eroica“ Symphony is one of Beethoven’s most famous works.

What is the „Moonlight Sonata“?

The „Moonlight Sonata“ is a well-known piano sonata composed by Beethoven.

When did Beethoven die?

Beethoven died in Vienna in 1827.

What is Beethoven’s significance in the classical period?

Beethoven stands as a symbol of the transition from the Classical to the Romantic period. His works revolutionized music and laid the foundation for the Romantic era.