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| Maurice Ravel Exercises | museducation.org/298 | Video and exercises |

**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Impressionist | (1) | French composer born in 1875 |
| (D) | Boléro | (2) | French music school |
| (I) | Chamber music | (3) | Artistic style, not Ravel’s |
| (I) | Sonatine | (4) | Ravel’s most famous work |
| (N) | Modest Mussorgsky | (5) | Small ensemble music |
| (O) | Sergei Dyagilev | (6) | Ravel’s piano piece |
| (R) | Paris Conservatory | (7) | Ravel’s post-war piano work |
| (T) | Maurice Ravel | (8) | Ballet dancer and choreographer |
| (T) | Gaspard de la nuit | (9) | Composer of Pictures at an Exhibition |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (A) | He served as a medic ... | (1) | ... in France in 1875. |
| (E) | Ravel composed a variety ... | (2) | ... the Paris Conservatory. |
| (F) | Ravel was born ... | (3) | ... is the „Boléro“. |
| (M) | His works have influenced ... | (4) | ... of chamber music. |
| (O) | He studied at ... | (5) | ... during World War I. |
| (R) | His most famous work ... | (6) | ... with other artists. |
| (R) | Ravel frequently collaborated ... | (7) | ... not only classical music. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is Ravel’s most famous work? |
| (R) | Gaspard de la nuit |
| (S) | Boléro |
| (V) | Sonatine |
| 2. | Who did Ravel frequently collaborate with? |
| (A) | Paris Conservatory |
| (O) | Sergei Dyagilev |
| (S) | Modest Mussorgsky |
| 3. | What did Ravel compose a variety of? |
| (C) | Chamber music |
| (N) | Ballet dances |
| (R) | Impressionist paintings |
| 4. | What did Ravel serve as during World War I? |
| (K) | Medic |
| (R) | Composer |
| (V) | Soldier |
| 5. | What did Ravel orchestrate? |
| (A) | The Boléro |
| (E) | Pictures at an Exhibition |
| (S) | The Paris Conservatory |
| 6. | What is one genre Ravel’s works have influenced? |
| (R) | Impressionist art |
| (T) | Jazz music |
| (V) | Ballet dancing |

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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. Ravel was born in France. |
| (F) | (O) | 2. Ravel was a medic during World War I. |
| (R) | (F) | 3. Ravel did not compose orchestral works. |
| (F) | (R) | 4. Ravel composed the Boléro. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Ravel collaborated with Sergei Dyagilev. |
| (A) | (E) | 6. Ravel’s music is not performed worldwide. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What is Maurice Ravel known for?

What is one of Ravel’s piano pieces?

What did Ravel do after World War I?

Who is one artist Ravel collaborated with?

What is one musical form Ravel was open to?

What is one of Ravel’s orchestral works?

What is Ravel’s legacy?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Maurice Ravel**

**Match terms**

Maurice Ravel = French composer born in 1875

Paris Conservatory = French music school

Impressionist = Artistic style, not Ravel’s

Boléro = Ravel’s most famous work

Chamber music = Small ensemble music

Gaspard de la nuit = Ravel’s piano piece

Sonatine = Ravel’s post-war piano work

Sergei Dyagilev = Ballet dancer and choreographer

Modest Mussorgsky = Composer of Pictures at an Exhibition

Keyword: TRADITION

**Complete sentences**

Ravel was born | in France in 1875.

He studied at | the Paris Conservatory.

His most famous work | is the „Boléro“.

Ravel composed a variety | of chamber music.

He served as a medic | during World War I.

Ravel frequently collaborated | with other artists.

His works have influenced | not only classical music.

Keyword: FOREARM

**Questions**

What is Ravel’s most famous work?

Boléro

Who did Ravel frequently collaborate with?

Sergei Dyagilev

What did Ravel compose a variety of?

Chamber music

What did Ravel serve as during World War I?

Medic

What did Ravel orchestrate?

Pictures at an Exhibition

What is one genre Ravel’s works have influenced?

Jazz music

Keyword: SOCKET

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Ravel was born in France.

4. Ravel composed the Boléro.

5. Ravel collaborated with Sergei Dyagilev.

wrong

6. Ravel’s music is not performed worldwide.

2. Ravel was a medic during World War I.

3. Ravel did not compose orchestral works.

Keyword: COFFEE

**Solution sheet 2**

**Maurice Ravel**

**Questions and answers**

What is Maurice Ravel known for?

Maurice Ravel is known for his compositions, including his most famous work, the „Boléro“.

What is one of Ravel’s piano pieces?

One of Ravel’s piano pieces is „Gaspard de la nuit“.

What did Ravel do after World War I?

After World War I, Ravel refocused on composition and created some of his most important works.

Who is one artist Ravel collaborated with?

Ravel collaborated with the famous ballet dancer and choreographer Sergei Dyagilev.

What is one musical form Ravel was open to?

Ravel was open to jazz music, incorporating jazz elements into some of his works.

What is one of Ravel’s orchestral works?

One of Ravel’s orchestral works is his orchestration of Modest Mussorgsky’s Pictures at an Exhibition.

What is Ravel’s legacy?

Maurice Ravel left behind a rich musical legacy, with his works being an important part of the modern repertoire and performed worldwide.