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**Match terms**

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

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| (A) | Rusalka | (1) | region in the Czech Republic |
| (E) | Romantic period | (2) | era of expressive music |
| (I) | Violinist | (3) | institution for organ training |
| (L) | Slavonic Dances | (4) | person who plays violin |
| (N) | Organ school | (5) | person who plays organ |
| (N) | Organist | (6) | Dvořák’s notable composition |
| (P) | Bohemia | (7) | Dvořák’s famous work |
| (S) | Second Symphony | (8) | popular Dvořák composition |
| (U) | 9th Symphony | (9) | Dvořák’s opera |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (C) | Dvořák composed the 9th ... | (1) | ... in Nelahozeves. |
| (E) | He was a talented ... | (2) | ... composer of the Romantic period. |
| (I) | Dvořák was born ... | (3) | ... musical training from his father. |
| (N) | He is a famous ... | (4) | ... violinist and organist. |
| (S) | Dvořák received his first ... | (5) | ... Symphony in the USA. |
| (S) | Dvořák died ... | (6) | ... of the National Conservatory of Music. |
| (T) | He was the director ... | (7) | ... in Prague in 1904. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | Where was Dvořák born? |
| (C) | in Nelahozeves |
| (R) | in New York |
| (V) | in Prague |
| 2. | What is Dvořák’s famous work? |
| (A) | 7th Symphony |
| (I) | 9th Symphony |
| (S) | 8th Symphony |
| 3. | Where did Dvořák compose the 9th Symphony? |
| (N) | in Vienna |
| (R) | in the USA |
| (T) | in Prague |
| 4. | What instrument did Dvořák play? |
| (C) | violin |
| (R) | guitar |
| (V) | piano |
| 5. | What position did Dvořák hold in New York? |
| (A) | mayor of the city |
| (L) | director of the National Conservatory of Music |
| (S) | principal of a school |
| 6. | Where did Dvořák die? |
| (E) | in Prague |
| (R) | in Nelahozeves |
| (V) | in New York |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| (P) | (V) | 1. Dvořák was born in Nelahozeves. |
| (F) | (E) | 2. Dvořák was born in Prague. |
| (R) | (N) | 3. Dvořák composed the 8th Symphony. |
| (C) | (R) | 4. Dvořák composed the 9th Symphony. |
| (I) | (T) | 5. Dvořák’s works are performed worldwide. |
| (A) | (L) | 6. Dvořák’s works are forgotten. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What is Dvořák’s place of birth?

What is one of Dvořák’s famous works?

What instrument did Dvořák play?

What was Dvořák’s role in New York?

What did Dvořák do after returning to Bohemia?

What is one of the last great works of Dvořák?

What is Dvořák’s significance in the history of music?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Antonín Dvořák**

**Match terms**

Bohemia = region in the Czech Republic

Romantic period = era of expressive music

Organ school = institution for organ training

Violinist = person who plays violin

Organist = person who plays organ

Second Symphony = Dvořák’s notable composition

9th Symphony = Dvořák’s famous work

Slavonic Dances = popular Dvořák composition

Rusalka = Dvořák’s opera

Keyword: PENINSULA

**Complete sentences**

Dvořák was born | in Nelahozeves.

He is a famous | composer of the Romantic period.

Dvořák received his first | musical training from his father.

He was a talented | violinist and organist.

Dvořák composed the 9th | Symphony in the USA.

He was the director | of the National Conservatory of Music.

Dvořák died | in Prague in 1904.

Keyword: INSECTS

**Questions**

Where was Dvořák born?

in Nelahozeves

What is Dvořák’s famous work?

9th Symphony

Where did Dvořák compose the 9th Symphony?

in the USA

What instrument did Dvořák play?

violin

What position did Dvořák hold in New York?

director of the National Conservatory of Music

Where did Dvořák die?

in Prague

Keyword: CIRCLE

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Dvořák was born in Nelahozeves.

4. Dvořák composed the 9th Symphony.

5. Dvořák’s works are performed worldwide.

wrong

6. Dvořák’s works are forgotten.

2. Dvořák was born in Prague.

3. Dvořák composed the 8th Symphony.

Keyword: PENCIL

**Solution sheet 2**

**Antonín Dvořák**

**Questions and answers**

What is Dvořák’s place of birth?

Dvořák was born in Nelahozeves, a village in Bohemia.

What is one of Dvořák’s famous works?

One of Dvořák’s most famous works is the 9th Symphony „From the New World.“

What instrument did Dvořák play?

Dvořák was a talented violinist and organist.

What was Dvořák’s role in New York?

From 1892 to 1895, Dvořák was the director of the National Conservatory of Music in New York.

What did Dvořák do after returning to Bohemia?

After his time in the United States, Dvořák returned to Bohemia and focused on composition.

What is one of the last great works of Dvořák?

One of Dvořák’s last great works is the opera „Rusalka.“

What is Dvořák’s significance in the history of music?

Dvořák is a key figure in Romantic music and his works remain an integral part of the classical repertoire.