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**Match terms**

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

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| (E) | Twelve-tone technique | (1) | Influential composer and theorist |
| (E) | Verklärte Nacht | (2) | New way of musical organization |
| (E) | Modernism | (3) | Influential group of composers |
| (H) | Expressionism | (4) | Early work of Schoenberg |
| (L) | Second Viennese School | (5) | Break from traditional scales and chords |
| (N) | Exile | (6) | Artistic style associated with Schoenberg |
| (O) | Harmonielehre | (7) | Book on music theory by Schoenberg |
| (P) | Atonality | (8) | Schoenberg’s emigration to the United States |
| (T) | Arnold Schoenberg | (9) | Movement influenced by Schoenberg’s works |

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**Complete sentences**

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

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| (D) | Schoenberg was born ... | (1) | ... in Vienna in 1874. |
| (E) | He developed the ... | (2) | ... twelve-tone technique. |
| (K) | Verklärte Nacht is ... | (3) | ... Second Viennese School. |
| (O) | He wrote several ... | (4) | ... one of his early works. |
| (P) | He died in ... | (5) | ... away from traditional scales. |
| (S) | He founded the ... | (6) | ... books on music theory. |
| (T) | His music broke ... | (7) | ... Boston, USA, in 1951. |

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**Questions (multiple choice)**

*Task: Answer the questions!*

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| 1. | What is the twelve-tone technique? |
| (R) | A type of musical instrument |
| (S) | A new way of musical organization |
| (V) | A traditional scale in music |
| 2. | Who founded the Second Viennese School? |
| (A) | Ludwig van Beethoven |
| (O) | Arnold Schoenberg |
| (S) | Johann Strauss |
| 3. | What is „Verklärte Nacht“? |
| (N) | A novel |
| (R) | An early work of Schoenberg |
| (T) | A famous painting |
| 4. | What does atonality refer to? |
| (B) | Break from traditional scales and chords |
| (R) | A genre of music |
| (V) | A type of musical instrument |
| 5. | Where did Schoenberg emigrate during the Nazi era? |
| (A) | France |
| (E) | United States |
| (S) | United Kingdom |
| 6. | Where did Schoenberg die? |
| (R) | Vienna, Austria |
| (T) | Boston, USA |
| (V) | Berlin, Germany |

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**Right or wrong?**

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

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| right | wrong |  |
| (S) | (V) | 1. Schoenberg was born in Vienna. |
| (F) | (I) | 2. Schoenberg was a self-taught musician. |
| (R) | (L) | 3. Schoenberg’s music was associated with impressionism. |
| (V) | (R) | 4. Schoenberg developed the twelve-tone technique. |
| (E) | (T) | 5. Schoenberg founded the Second Viennese School. |
| (A) | (R) | 6. Schoenberg died in Vienna, Austria. |

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**7 Questions about the text**

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

What is Arnold Schoenberg known for?

What is the twelve-tone technique?

What is the Second Viennese School?

What is „Verklärte Nacht“?

What does atonality refer to?

Where did Schoenberg emigrate during the Nazi era?

Where did Schoenberg die?

**Solution sheet 1**

**Arnold Schönberg**

**Match terms**

Arnold Schoenberg = Influential composer and theorist

Twelve-tone technique = New way of musical organization

Second Viennese School = Influential group of composers

Verklärte Nacht = Early work of Schoenberg

Atonality = Break from traditional scales and chords

Expressionism = Artistic style associated with Schoenberg

Harmonielehre = Book on music theory by Schoenberg

Exile = Schoenberg’s emigration to the United States

Modernism = Movement influenced by Schoenberg’s works

Keyword: TELEPHONE

**Complete sentences**

Schoenberg was born | in Vienna in 1874.

He developed the | twelve-tone technique.

He founded the | Second Viennese School.

Verklärte Nacht is | one of his early works.

His music broke | away from traditional scales.

He wrote several | books on music theory.

He died in | Boston, USA, in 1951.

Keyword: DESKTOP

**Questions**

What is the twelve-tone technique?

A new way of musical organization

Who founded the Second Viennese School?

Arnold Schoenberg

What is „Verklärte Nacht“?

An early work of Schoenberg

What does atonality refer to?

Break from traditional scales and chords

Where did Schoenberg emigrate during the Nazi era?

United States

Where did Schoenberg die?

Boston, USA

Keyword: SORBET

**Right or wrong?**

right

1. Schoenberg was born in Vienna.

4. Schoenberg developed the twelve-tone technique.

5. Schoenberg founded the Second Viennese School.

wrong

6. Schoenberg died in Vienna, Austria.

2. Schoenberg was a self-taught musician.

3. Schoenberg’s music was associated with impressionism.

Keyword: SILVER

**Solution sheet 2**

**Arnold Schönberg**

**Questions and answers**

What is Arnold Schoenberg known for?

Arnold Schoenberg is known for being an influential composer and theorist of the 20th century, and for developing the twelve-tone technique.

What is the twelve-tone technique?

The twelve-tone technique is a method of musical organization that breaks with the traditional rules of tonality.

What is the Second Viennese School?

The Second Viennese School is a group of composers founded by Schoenberg that had a major impact on modernist music.

What is „Verklärte Nacht“?

Verklärte Nacht is an early work of Schoenberg, a string sextet from 1899.

What does atonality refer to?

Atonality refers to a break away from traditional scales and chords in music composition.

Where did Schoenberg emigrate during the Nazi era?

During the Nazi era, Schoenberg emigrated to the United States.

Where did Schoenberg die?

Schoenberg died in Boston, USA, in 1951.