

# London Philharmonic Orchestra

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## Musical Directions Quiz

1) What does the word 'cantabile' mean?

**A: In a singing style**

2) Rank the following terms for tempo in order of slowest to fastest: Andante, Presto, Allegretto, Lento

**A: Lento, Andante, Allegretto, Presto**

3) What does BPM mean?

**A: Beats per minute**

4) What does 'con sordino' mean?

**A: Muted/with a mute**

5) Rank the following terms from loudest to quietest: Mezzo piano, Pianissimo, Fortissimo, Piano

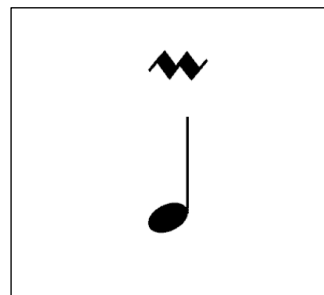
**A: Fortissimo, Mezzo piano, Piano, Pianissimo**

6) What term means 'get quieter'?

**A: Diminuendo/decrescendo**

7) What is this symbol called?

**A: Mordent**



8) True or false: 'Staccato' means 'short' and 'detached'.

**A: True**

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9) What does 'divisi' mean?

**A: Divide the parts of one instrument section into two or more parts**

10) True or false: the word 'accelerando' means 'slow down'.

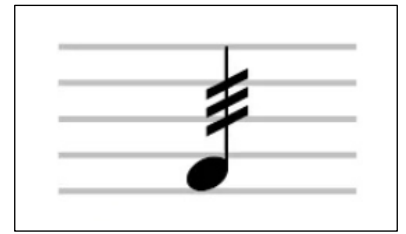
**A: False**

11) What Italian term is used to instruct players to play 'sweetly'?

**A: Dolce**

12) What does the symbol on the crotchet mean?

**A: Tremolo**



13) List at least 4 terms that refer to a type of ornamentation:

**A: Appoggiatura, turn, trill, acciaccatura, mordent (or any other acceptable answer)**

14) What Italian term would instruct you to play in a 'marching' style?

**A: Alla marcia**

15) True or false: 'sul ponticello' means to play on the bridge of a string instrument.

**A: True**

16) How would the term 'sforzando' be abbreviated?

**A: Sfz**

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17) True or false: only wind and brass instruments can play with vibrato.

A: False

18) What Italian term means 'with movement'?

A: Con moto

19) Match the word to the definition:

Rubato

Pizzicato

Tenuto

Legato

*hold the note for its full length*

*play freely for expression*

*play smoothly*

*pluck the strings*

20) 'Arco' is a term that only applies to one family of instruments. Which family is it?

A: Strings