



Descriptive Words

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Sheet 1

1st Grade Quiz - Tick the correct answer

Name

<i>Slowly</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Fine	<i>At an easy walking pace</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Staccato	<i>Short, detached</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Crescendo
	<input type="checkbox"/> Adagio		<input type="checkbox"/> Andante		<input type="checkbox"/> Staccato
	<input type="checkbox"/> Allegro		<input type="checkbox"/> A tempo		<input type="checkbox"/> Presto
<i>Loud</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Forte	<i>Gradually becoming louder</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ritenuto	<i>Gradually becoming slower</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Rallentando
	<input type="checkbox"/> Presto		<input type="checkbox"/> Accelerando		<input type="checkbox"/> Ritenuto
	<input type="checkbox"/> A tempo		<input type="checkbox"/> Crescendo		<input type="checkbox"/> Diminuendo
<i>The end</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Forte	<i>Moderately fast</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Allegro	<i>Gradually becoming slower</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Andante
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fine		<input type="checkbox"/> Allegretto		<input type="checkbox"/> Ritardando
	<input type="checkbox"/> Da capo		<input type="checkbox"/> Adagio		<input type="checkbox"/> Dal segno
<i>Soft</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Andante	<i>Gradually becoming softer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Diminuendo	<i>Lively and fast</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Adagio
	<input type="checkbox"/> Piano		<input type="checkbox"/> Moderato		<input type="checkbox"/> Andante
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fine		<input type="checkbox"/> Rallentando		<input type="checkbox"/> Allegro
<i>Very fast</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Adagio	<i>Immediately slower</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Presto	<i>At a moderate speed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Allegro
	<input type="checkbox"/> Lento		<input type="checkbox"/> Ritenuto		<input type="checkbox"/> Moderato
	<input type="checkbox"/> Presto		<input type="checkbox"/> Staccato		<input type="checkbox"/> Piano
<i>Smoothly</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Staccato	<i>Gradually becoming faster</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Allegro	<i>Moderately soft</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Pianissimo
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fine		<input type="checkbox"/> Crescendo		<input type="checkbox"/> Piu mosso
	<input type="checkbox"/> Legato		<input type="checkbox"/> Accelerando		<input type="checkbox"/> Mezzo piano
<i>Return to former speed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Adagio	<i>Gradually becoming softer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrescendo	<i>Moderately loud</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderato
	<input type="checkbox"/> Da capo		<input type="checkbox"/> Crescendo		<input type="checkbox"/> Rallentando
	<input type="checkbox"/> A tempo		<input type="checkbox"/> Presto		<input type="checkbox"/> Mezzo forte



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Sheet 2

1st Grade Wordsearch

Name

Find music terms reading across, up, down or diagonally for each of the English meanings and draw circles around them.

Write the music terms on the dotted lines.

A	C	C	E	L	E	R	A	N	D	O	B	O	E	O
O	O	N	A	I	P	Z	U	B	D	I	L	N	T	A
D	T	A	O	D	N	A	T	N	E	L	L	A	R	Z
N	A	L	L	E	G	R	E	T	T	O	G	I	O	B
E	R	C	A	B	P	C	Y	M	P	E	T	P	F	Z
U	E	P	R	E	S	T	O	M	L	A	P	O	O	Y
N	D	D	O	E	O	W	E	F	R	R	O	Z	Z	H
I	O	B	R	I	S	T	U	D	I	I	U	Z	Z	N
M	M	C	G	Y	A	C	A	T	W	D	R	E	E	V
I	E	A	E	S	V	N	E	C	W	N	H	M	M	L
D	D	B	L	C	D	N	E	N	C	H	B	E	A	W
A	Q	K	L	O	U	F	A	N	D	A	N	T	E	E
P	O	J	A	T	X	K	M	T	I	O	T	G	S	I
S	N	D	O	L	U	E	T	R	O	F	X	S	I	Y

Gradually becoming faster Moderately soft

Return to former speed Very fast

Gradually becoming slower Slowly

Gradually becoming slower Lively and fast

At an easy walking pace Immediately slower.....

Gradually becoming louder Short, detached.....

Gradually becoming softer Moderately fast

Gradually becoming softer Moderately loud

The end Soft

At a moderate speed Loud

Smoothly, well connected

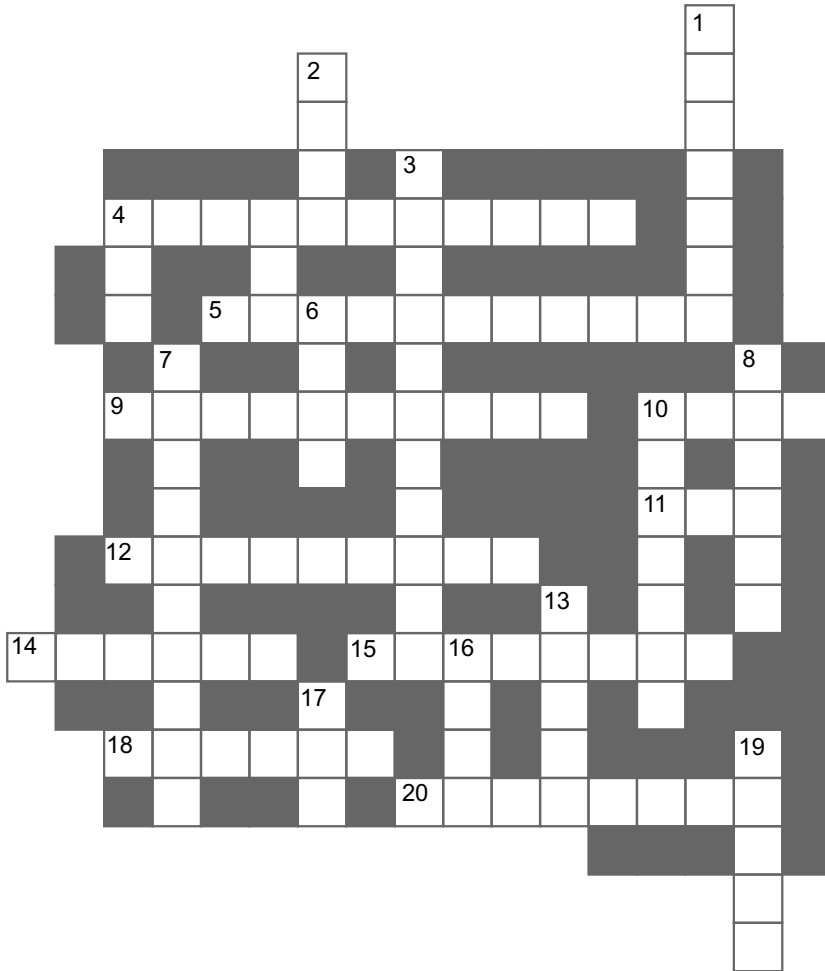


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Sheet 3

1st Grade Crossword Puzzle

Name



ACROSS

- 4. Gradually becoming softer
- 5. Gradually becoming slower
- 9. Gradually becoming softer
- 10. Low female voice
- 11. Short for diminuendo
- 12. Gradually becoming louder
- 14. Smoothly, well connected
- 15. At a moderate speed
- 18. Slowly
- 20. Short, detached

DOWN

- 1. Lively and fast
- 2. The end
- 3. Gradually becoming faster
- 4. Another word for 'duet'
- 6. Each bar is separated by a bar _ _ _ _
- 7. Gradually becoming slower
- 8. Return to former speed
- 10. At an easy walking pace
- 13. Short for 'crescendo'
- 16. Two musicians performing together
- 17. Short for 'ritenuto'
- 19. Loud

Name two words that both mean 'Gradually becoming softer'

Name two similar sounding words that both mean 'Gradually becoming slower'



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Sheet 4

1st Grade Scrambled Words

Name

Unscramble the words and draw lines joining the words to their meanings.

l o l r
l g e a

.....

c a n o
c c e a
l r e d

.....

t d a
a n n e

.....

o a a d t
n l r n l e t

.....

slowly
at an easy walking pace
at a moderate speed
lively and fast

t r e u
i o n t

.....

o a d
g a i

.....

very fast
gradually becoming faster
gradually becoming slower

r o m d t
a e o

.....

s d r o
e c c n

.....

immediately slower, or held back
gradually becoming louder
gradually becoming softer

o c
a t s a t
a c

.....

r f t
o e

.....

loud
soft
smoothly, well connected
detached, short

r p s
t o e

.....

e t l g
a o

.....

i p a o
n

.....

u m
o i n n
i d d e

.....



Descriptive Words

Sheet 5

2nd Grade Quiz - Tick the correct answer

Name

Always

Sempre
 Vivace
 Piu

A little

Giocoso
 Poco
 Leggiero

Lightly

Cantabile
 Molto
 Leggiero

Sustained

Senza
 Maestoso
 Sostenuto

Broadly

Largo
 Vivo
 Mezzo

Slowly

Allegro
 Lento
 Vivace

Majestic

Leggiero
 Molto
 Maestoso

Moderately short and detached

The beginning

Very loud

From the sign

Becoming broader

Very soft

Very

Allegretto
 Pianissimo
 Mezzo staccato

al fine
 Dal segno
 Da capo

Fortissimo
 Piu mosso
 Mezzo forte

Vivace
 Piu mosso
 Dal segno

Piu mosso
 Vivace
 Allargando

Fortissimo
 Pianissimo
 Piu mosso

Molto
 Mezzo
 Vivo

Lively, spirited

Without

Slower

Moderately

Movement

Lively, spirited

Quicker

Giocoso
 Leggiero
 Vivace

Senza
 Sempre
 Sostenuto

Vivace
 Meno mosso
 Cantabile

Molto
 Meno mosso
 Mezzo

Allegro
 Mosso
 Vivo

Mezzo
 Piu mosso
 Vivo

Leggiero
 Piu mosso
 Vivo



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Sheet 6

2nd Grade Wordsearch

Name

Find music terms reading across, up,
down or diagonally for each of the English meanings
and draw circles around them.

Write the music terms on the dotted lines.

A	H	E	C	T	P	K	G	C	F	N	B	T	X	J
L	M	A	E	S	T	O	S	O	C	O	P	T	P	E
L	E	K	H	K	A	S	R	A	M	O	L	T	O	V
A	R	C	C	A	N	T	A	B	I	L	E	F	L	A
R	P	I	A	N	I	S	S	I	M	O	G	M	E	U
G	M	R	P	S	L	R	T	E	D	T	G	S	C	O
A	E	B	S	M	L	X	N	T	N	U	I	Q	A	T
N	S	I	H	I	Q	O	D	L	W	N	E	N	V	P
D	M	D	N	R	M	A	X	A	M	E	R	T	I	Y
O	O	N	P	O	C	Z	S	R	L	T	O	U	V	Q
Z	R	G	S	A	B	N	L	G	Z	S	M	I	A	S
Z	P	S	P	V	V	E	E	O	L	O	E	Q	R	E
E	O	O	P	D	I	S	N	Y	S	S	Q	G	H	S
M	S	E	Z	H	A	V	T	S	Z	F	I	J	N	C
I	U	N	B	P	C	R	O	O	U	L	N	M	J	O

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| The beginning..... | Moderately..... |
| From the sign..... | Quicker..... |
| Slowly | Very soft |
| Becoming broader..... | A little..... |
| In a singing style..... | Very..... |
| Very loud..... | Always..... |
| Broadly..... | Without..... |
| Lightly..... | Sustained..... |
| Majestic..... | Lively, spirited..... |
| Slower..... | Lively, spirited..... |



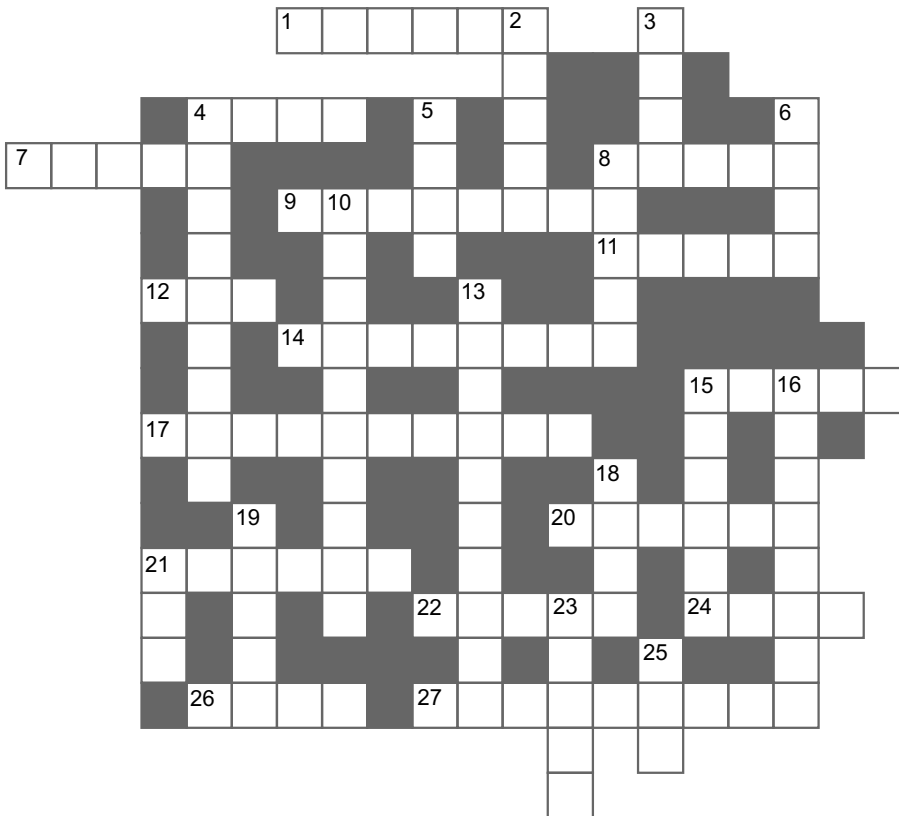
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Sheet 7

2nd Grade Crossword Puzzle

Name

Some of these are words that you should remember from First Grade



DOWN

- 2. Sign
- 3. Less
- 4. In a singing style
- 5. _____ notes have a deep sound
- 6. A little
- 8. Movement
- 10. Moderately fast
- 13. Very soft
- 15. Smoothly, well connected
- 16. Immediately slower
- 18. Lively, spirited
- 19. Slowly
- 21. More
- 23. To write music we use _____
- 25. Fine

ACROSS

- 1. Sempre
- 4. Da _____, the beginning
- 7. Without
- 8. Very
- 9. Majestic
- 11. Dal _____, from the sign
- 12. Count beats in each ____ of music
- 14. Lightly
- 15. Broadly
- 17. Becoming broader
- 20. Lively, spirited
- 21. Very fast
- 22. Soft
- 24. A musical work
- 26. Forte
- 27. Sustained

Which words mean 'From the beginning to the word Fine'



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Sheet 8

2nd Grade Scrambled Words

Name

Unscramble the words and draw lines joining the words to their meanings.

p c o
o

.....

o i m s o
s u p

.....

n a l
e c i t b

.....

a g
r l o

.....

always

a little

becoming broader

broadly

from the sign

in a singing style

lightly

lively, spirited

majestic

quicker

sustained

very loud

very soft

without

m s p e
e r

.....

n d l g
s a o e

.....

r g i o
e e g

.....

v e i
c v a

.....

n l r a
a a l g o

.....

m s s
e a o t

.....

a i p
i n s m o

.....

u e s
n o t s
o t

.....

s i f s t
o r i o m

.....

e s
z n a

.....



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 Sheet 9
Fallen Letters - Easy Level

Name

All the letters have fallen out of this puzzle and become mixed up. They need to be put back. Place the descriptive word(s) in the top line and the correct meanings in the lines below. Use each letter only once.

a a n e a t e
 a t a w n k i d n s y
 p a l g a c n e

a l y n c e o r a l d
 g u c e l a b e t e m i
 n g f a c o r a d s r

l o e t h l y
 w e l s t l c o a n
 g o n e m o c d e t

o m a g e o
 n t f s d h
 n i r s g l e

d a o r e r o t m o
 s m a p e d
 t e a d e a t

g i d a n e r
 e u b o r g a y l d
 l r s n o c a d
 o r m a w l t i



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Sheet 10

Wordsearch and Puzzle

Name

O	O	T	A	M	I	N	A	K	G	O	O	O	O	E
C	T	A	Z	N	E	S	Z	A	U	J	B	E	I	R
O	N	J	B	E	N	M	A	R	C	A	T	O	W	P
L	E	O	T	O	M	N	O	C	P	C	V	F	R	M
O	M	I	S	S	I	T	S	E	R	P	A	M	E	E
R	A	O	L	L	I	U	Q	N	A	R	T	T	O	S
R	G	D	R	R	O	E	C	A	V	I	V	D	T	R
R	R	N	R	I	Y	T	M	O	R	E	N	D	O	A
D	A	E	O	S	T	T	T	D	P	A	R	I	F	R
I	L	G	T	O	E	I	H	E	Z	E	C	L	O	D
O	D	N	A	L	A	C	V	R	H	O	M	D	I	E
A	K	I	T	U	T	I	O	S	O	G	T	O	T	V
J	G	R	I	T	V	F	U	C	S	X	R	L	M	R
P	T	T	G	O	S	P	O	A	G	B	X	A	O	B
C	D	S	A	Q	O	P	B	N	U	W	T	T	L	M

Word Puzzle

Choose just one letter from each of the words to make a new word which means "reinforcing the tone"

f	o	r	t	e	
a	s	s	a	i	
l	e	n	t	o	
f	o	r	t	e	
m	o	l	t	o	
g	r	a	v	e	
s	e	n	z	a	
q	u	a	s	i	
p	i	a	n	o	
d	o	l	c	e	
l	a	r	g	o	

1. With agitation
2. Becoming broader
3. With animation
4. Go on at once
5. Well marked
6. Getting softer and slower
7. With movement
8. Soft and sweet
9. Very loud
10. Broadly
11. Rather broadly
12. At normal pitch
13. Very
14. Dying away
15. A work or group of works
16. A little
17. Extremely fast
18. With resolution
19. Always
20. Without
21. A strong accent
22. Pressing on faster
23. Calmly



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Sheet 11

Double Puzzles 1

Name

Unscramble each of the clue words.

Unscramble the letters in the circled squares to find another word.

teuton

ssiaa

omlot

pinoa

frote



"with animation"

cool

nazes

sporte

sasia

uboard



"in a singing style"

pomet

nife

tubois

codle

preems



"very loud"

gaver

coop

candola

groal

cavvie



"lightly"



Descriptive Words

Sheet 12

3rd Grade Quiz - Tick the correct answer

Name

Broadly

Morendo
 Largamente
 Risoluto

Calmly

Tranquillo
 Calando
 Dolce

With force

Con forza
 Ad libitum
 Con anima

Right hand

Main gauche
 Main droite
 Ben marcato

With grace

Con brio
 Con moto
 Con grazia

Rather broadly

Agitato
 Animato
 Larghetto

Dying away

Morendo
 Dolce
 Risoluto

Release the soft pedal

Soft and sweet

With resolution

Well marked

At pleasure

Extremely fast

A strong accent

Allegretto
 Tre corde
 Sforzando

Una Corda
 Ad libitum
 Dolce

Risoluto
 Con anima
 Agitato

Una corda
 Prestissimo
 Ben marcato

Animato
 Ad libitum
 Con brio

Prestissimo
 Con moto
 Agitato

Sforzando
 Calando
 Con moto

With agitation

With feeling

With animation

At normal pitch

Go on at once

With movement

With the soft pedal

Animato
 Attacca
 Agitato

Con forza
 Con anima
 Con brio

Animato
 Con moto
 Opus

Opus
 Loco
 Una corda

Attacca
 Risoluto
 Calando

Con brio
 Tranquillo
 Con moto

Una corda
 Opus
 Forte-piano



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Sheet 13

3rd Grade Wordsearch

Name

Find music terms reading across, up, down or diagonally for each of the English meanings and draw circles around them. Write the music terms on the dotted lines.

P	U	M	O	R	E	N	D	O	T	A	M	I	N	A
O	R	F	C	O	O	T	U	L	O	S	I	R	O	X
P	X	E	K	T	V	L	N	L	B	C	Y	L	L	I
P	L	A	S	A	E	L	B	E	B	O	M	K	L	U
J	Z	Z	O	T	A	C	R	A	M	N	E	B	I	Y
G	A	R	T	I	I	P	L	U	Q	A	T	L	U	O
E	A	O	Y	G	B	S	T	O	O	N	G	A	Q	D
C	T	F	D	A	L	I	S	W	D	I	Y	R	N	N
D	T	N	O	N	B	L	O	I	W	M	E	G	A	A
M	A	O	X	I	A	R	O	T	M	A	E	H	R	L
R	C	C	L	F	H	Z	O	C	O	O	I	E	T	A
I	C	D	C	O	N	B	R	I	O	M	Y	T	I	C
J	A	I	Z	A	R	G	N	O	C	R	N	T	X	N
H	B	W	C	C	C	J	Q	E	F	G	T	O	J	J
M	A	Z	R	Y	Q	C	O	P	U	S	R	J	C	J

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Calmly..... | With movement..... |
| At pleasure, quite freely..... | Soft and sweet..... |
| With agitation..... | Broadly.. .. |
| With animation..... | Rather broadly..... |
| Go on at once..... | At normal pitch..... |
| Well marked..... | Dying away..... |
| Getting softer & slower..... | A work or group of works..... |
| With feeling..... | Extremely fast..... |
| With spirit..... | With resolution.. .. |
| With force..... | A strong accent..... |
| With grace..... | |



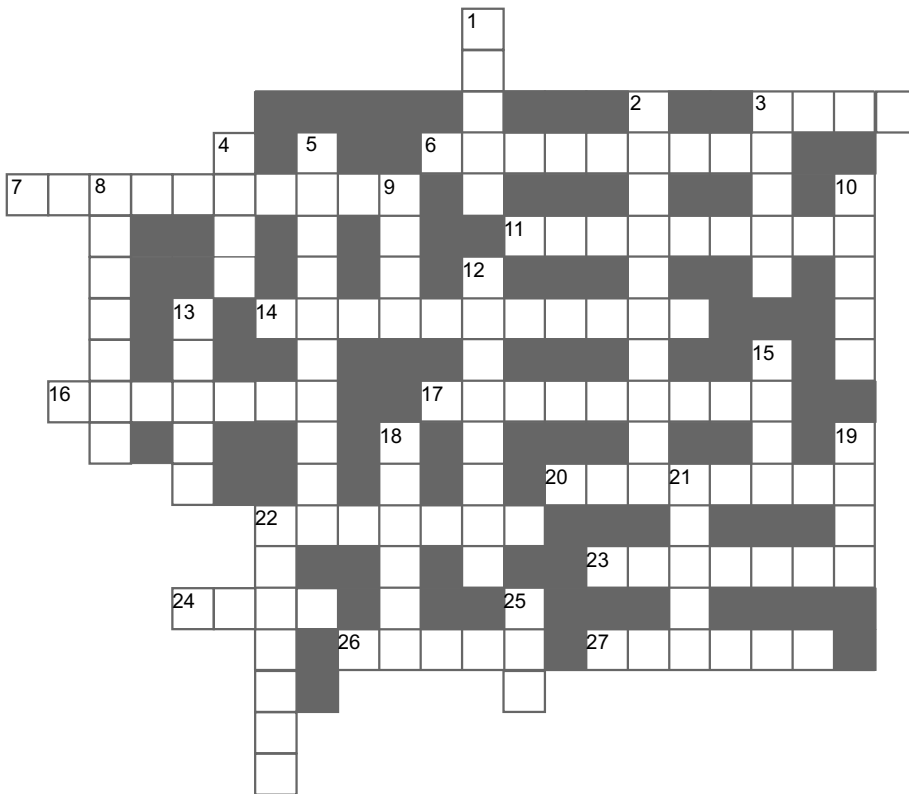
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Sheet 14

3rd Grade Crossword Puzzle

Name

Some of these are words that you should remember from previous grades.



ACROSS

- 3. _____ droite, Right hand
- 6. A strong accent
- 7. Calmly
- 11. Rather broadly
- 14. Extremely fast
- 16. Go on at once
- 17. Sustained
- 20. Majestic
- 22. With movement
- 23. With spirit
- 24. part of a horn opposite the mouthpiece
- 26. Slowly
- 27. Slowly

DOWN

- 1. Music is written on this
- 2. Broadly
- 3. Very
- 4. Two musicians playing together
- 5. Becoming broader
- 8. With agitation
- 9. A work or group of works
- 10. Soft and sweet
- 12. With resolution
- 13. Used to join two staves together
- 15. A little
- 18. Always
- 19. At normal pitch
- 21. Without
- 22. Getting softer and slower
- 25. A violin is played with one of these

Which words mean 'Release the soft pedal' _____

Which words mean 'With feeling' _____



Descriptive Words

Sheet 15

3rd Grade Scrambled Words

Name

Unscramble the words and draw lines joining the words to their meanings.

o m t
o n o c

.....

d l o n
a a c

.....

t p s i
s o i e i
r s m

.....

t i g o a
t a

.....

rather broadly
extremely fast, as fast
as possible

with movement

d m o
n r e o

.....

g l t o
a e h r t

.....

getting softer and
slower

dying away

a strong accent

t a c a
t c a

.....

n f s
d o z o
r a

.....

with agitation

go on at once

with animation

calmly

e o t b
c n a r a
m r a

.....

z f n
a r c o o

.....

with grace

with force

soft and sweet

well marked

m a o
i n t a

.....

u r t
l a n i o
q l

.....

c e l o d

.....

a z n
g c r a i

.....



Descriptive Words

Sheet 16

4th Grade Quiz - Tick the correct answer

Name

Gracefully

Doloroso
 Subito
 Grazioso

Suddenly

Cantando
 Subito
 Dolente

Heavily

Sotto voce
 Rubato
 Pesante

Held

Tenuto
 Quasi
 Grave

Very

Doloroso
 Assai
 Giocoso

Gay, merry

Cantando
 Giocoso
 Stringendo

Fading away

Perdendosi
 Portamento
 Risoluto

Pleasant, agreeable

In a singing style

Reinforcing the tone

At a comfortable speed

Not too much

Extremely fast

A strong accent

Assai
 Non troppo
 Piacevole

Scherzando
 Cantando
 Sotto voce

Piacevole
 Rubato
 Rinforzando

Tempo comodo
 Tempo giusto
 Tenuto

Smorzando
 Non troppo
 Portamento

Prestissimo
 Con moto
 Agitato

Sforzando
 Calando
 Con moto

With agitation

With feeling

With animation

At normal pitch

Go on at once

With movement

With the soft pedal

Animato
 Attacca
 Agitato

Con forza
 Con anima
 Con brio

Animato
 Con moto
 Opus

Opus
 Loco
 Una corda

Attacca
 Risoluto
 Calando

Con brio
 Tranquillo
 Con moto

Una corda
 Opus
 Forte-piano



Descriptive Words

Sheet 17

4th Grade Wordsearch

Name

Find music terms reading across, up, down or diagonally for each of the English meanings and draw circles around them.

Write the music terms on the dotted lines.

O	Y	O	S	O	C	O	I	G	O	P	B	P	N	Z
E	D	K	Q	C	P	I	U	D	Q	F	S	O	L	G
K	R	N	D	N	H	I	N	N	B	T	M	R	T	U
O	H	C	A	X	W	E	D	O	E	I	O	T	C	Q
G	K	D	A	Z	G	E	R	M	O	S	R	A	X	Q
E	R	P	Q	N	R	R	P	Z	O	O	Z	M	K	Q
Q	E	A	I	W	T	O	A	E	A	D	A	E	G	O
U	N	R	Z	A	G	A	F	V	X	N	N	N	M	H
A	T	T	U	I	C	V	N	N	E	E	D	T	Z	U
S	L	T	U	M	O	E	E	D	I	D	O	O	Y	E
I	A	S	S	A	C	S	V	O	O	R	T	T	B	E
E	T	N	A	S	E	P	O	O	D	E	A	I	Y	F
O	S	O	R	O	L	O	D	P	L	P	B	B	F	G
R	J	P	Q	D	O	L	E	N	T	E	U	U	M	R
T	E	N	U	T	O	T	S	W	M	C	R	S	O	S

Very..... Reinforcing the tone.....

In a singing style..... With some freedom in the time.....

Dying away..... Slow and solemn.....

Gracefully..... Pressing on faster.....

Gay, merry..... As if, as it were.....

Suddenly..... At a consistent speed.....

Fading away..... Pleasant, agreeable.....

Heavily..... Sadly, plaintively.....

Playfully.. .. Sadly, plaintively.....

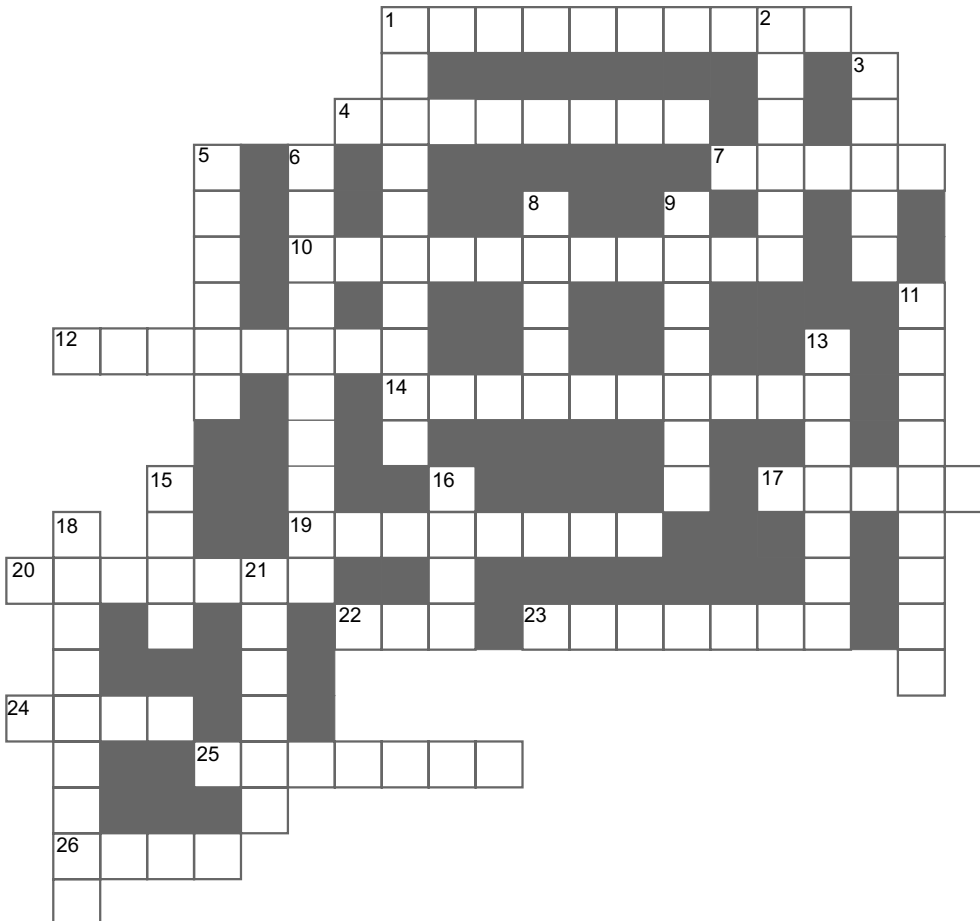
Held..... A smooth gliding from note to note.....



Descriptive Words
 Sheet 18
4th Grade Crossword Puzzle

Name

Some of these are words that you should remember from previous grades.



ACROSS

- 1. A smooth gliding from note to note.
- 4. Gracefully
- 7. As if, as it were
- 10. Reinforcing the tone
- 12. In a singing style
- 14. Playfully
- 17. Without
- 19. Sadly, plaintively
- 20. Gay, merry
- 22. Beats in a bar in simple duple time
- 23. Heavily
- 24. Less
- 25. Go on at once
- 26. Forte

DOWN

- 1. Fading away
- 2. Held
- 3. Very
- 5. With some freedom in the time
- 6. Pressing on faster
- 8. Slow and solemn
- 9. With animation
- 11. Dying away
- 13. Sadly, plaintively
- 15. At normal pitch
- 16. A little
- 18. Pleasant, agreeable
- 21. Suddenly

Which words mean 'Release the soft pedal' _____

Which words mean 'With feeling' _____



Descriptive Words

Sheet 19

4th Grade Scrambled Words

Name

Unscramble the words and draw lines joining the words to their meanings.

e p a s
e n t
e t

.....

m r n
d o z o
a s

.....

n i p d
e r e s o d

.....

e g r
a v

.....

slow and solemn
fading away
dying away
heavily

t o
u n e

.....

a o n t
o t r m p e

.....

in a singing style
held

a a c
o t n d

.....

e c p i
o a l v e

.....

a smooth gliding from
note to note
sadly, plaintively

c o
i g o s

.....

b i s t
u o t

.....

gay, merry
gracefully
very
playfully
suddenly

t n e d
o l e e

.....

o a g s
r o i c

.....

s s i
a a i

.....

z e o r h s
c n d a h s

.....



Descriptive Words

Sheet 20

Trivia Quiz

Name

Score out of 12:

1. This word means 'at an easy walking pace':	A. Allegro	B. Allegretto
	C. Andante	D. A tempo
2. Go back to the beginning and play until you come to a word that means 'the end':	A. piu mosso	B. da capo al fine
	C. dal segno	D. mezzo staccato
3. Reinforcing the tone:	A. Rinforzando	B. Smorzando
	C. Maestozo	D. Non troppo
4. To play extremely fast, or as fast as you possibly can:	A. Allegro	B. Prestissimo
	C. Presto	D. Stringendo
5. This really means 'stolen time' or that you can use a little freedom with the time:	A. Rubato	B. Morendo
	C. Accelerando	D. Decrescendo
6. Play loudly and then immediately get soft again:	A. Tempo giusto	B. Loco
	C. Forte-piano	D. Agitato
7. 'Dolente' and 'doloroso' both mean:	A. Dying away	B. Fading away
	C. Slow and solemn	D. Sadly, plaintively
8. 'Rallentando' and 'ritardando' both mean:	A. gradually get faster	B. gradually get louder
	C. Gradually get slower	D. gradually get softer
9. Words that mean 'to play at a comfortable speed':	A. Tempo comodo	B. Tempo giusto
	C. A tempo	D. L'istesso tempo
10. A smooth gliding from note to note:	A. Pesante	B. Pianissimo
	C. Portamento	D. Piacevole
11. Release the soft pedal:	A. Una corda	B. Tre corde
	C. Con anima	D. Sotto voce
12. To return to the former speed:	A. Con brio	B. Tempo giusto
	C. Dal segno	D. A tempo

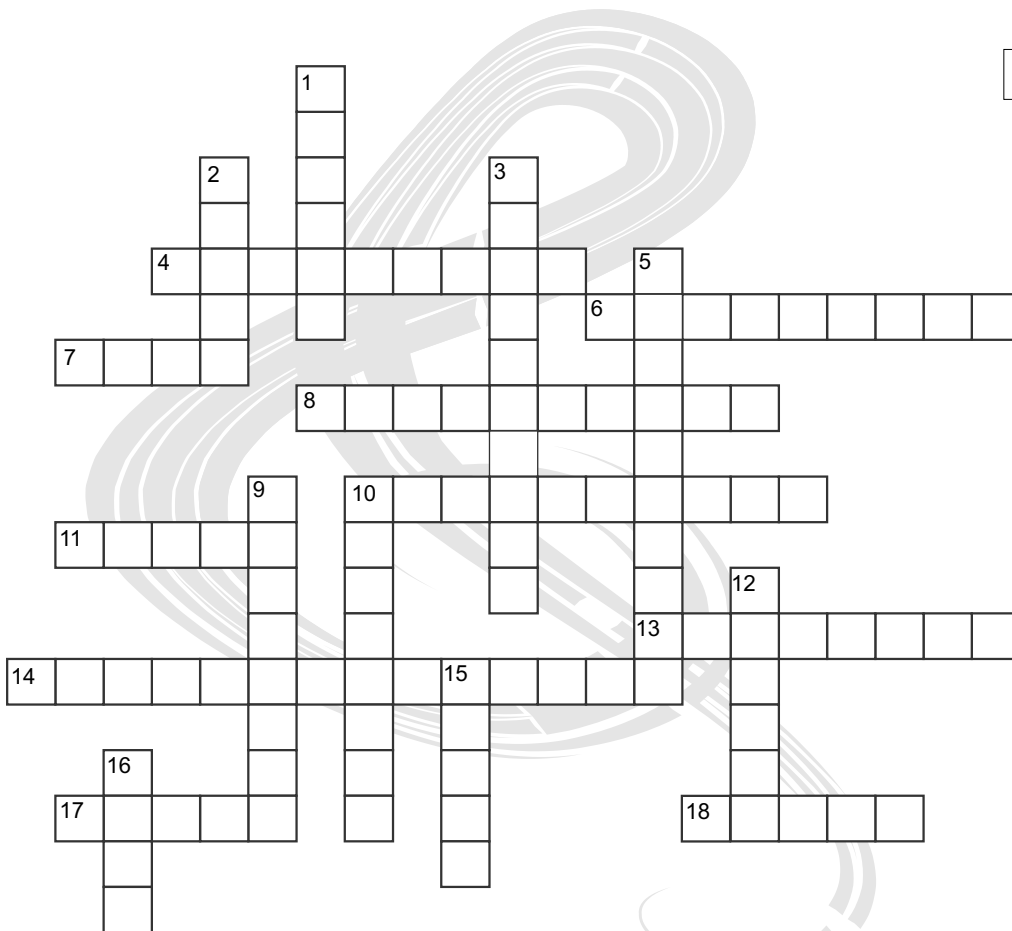


Descriptive Words

Sheet 21

Crossword and Puzzle

Name



DOWN

- 1. Very fast
- 2. Soft
- 3. Becoming broader
- 5. Very loud
- 9. From the sign
- 10. Quicker
- 12. Always
- 15. Broadly
- 16. A little

ACROSS

- 4. In a singing style
- 6. Sustained
- 7. Lively, spirited
- 8. Moderately fast
- 10. Very soft
- 11. Without
- 13. Majestic
- 14. Lightly
- 15. Slowly
- 17. Very
- 18. Moderately

Word Puzzle

Choose just one letter from each of the words to make a new word which means "sadly, plaintively"

d	o	l	c	e	
m	o	l	t	o	
l	a	r	g	o	
f	o	r	t	e	
s	e	n	z	a	
l	e	n	t	o	
g	r	a	v	e	



Descriptive Words

Sheet 23

Fallen Letters - Difficult Level

Name

All the letters have fallen out of this puzzle and become mixed up. They need to be put back. Place the descriptive word(s) in the top line and the correct meanings in the lines below. Use each letter only once.

sorutehm
owthefbatdmeo
iimnetrei

ttspocpasgto
amitest
eneiuseond

tomnaotemro
oligasmonortdi
fetonthpongte

biaieamel
atpitudlsey
quruefuert

astovtyine
solnotnoc
dnuetofre

emerno
iteylecslo
wedi hara okutr
lmitdb



Descriptive Words

Sheet 24

Word List

First Grade Words

Adagio	slowly
Andante	at an easy walking pace
Moderato	at a moderate speed
Allegro	lively and fast
Presto	very fast
Accelerando	gradually becoming faster
Rallentando	gradually becoming slower
Ritardando	gradually becoming slower
Ritenuto	immediately slower, or held back
A tempo	return to former speed
Crescendo	gradually becoming louder
Decrescendo	gradually becoming softer
Diminuendo	gradually becoming softer
Fine	the end
Da Capo	the beginning
Forte	loud
Piano	soft
Legato	smoothly, well connected
Staccato	detached, short

Second Grade Words

Lento	slowly
Largo	broadly
Allegretto	moderately fast
Vivace	lively, spirited
Vivo	lively, spirited
Allargando	becoming broader
Piu mosso	quicker
Meno mosso	slower
Pianissimo	very soft
Fortissimo	very loud
Mezzo forte	moderately loud
Mezzo piano	moderately soft
Maestoso	majestic
Sostenuto	sustained
Sempre	always
Poco	a little
Molto	very
Senza	without
Cantabile	in a singing style
Leggiero	lightly
Dal segno	from the sign
Da capo al fine	from the beginning to the word fine
Mezzo staccato	moderately short and detached

Third Grade Words

Largamente	broadly
Larghetto	rather broadly
Prestissimo	extremely fast, as fast as possible
Con moto	with movement
Calando	getting softer and slower
Morendo	dying away
Forte-piano	loud then immediately soft
Sforzando	a strong accent
Agitato	with agitation
Attacca	go on at once
Animato	with animation
Tranquillo	calmly
Con anima	with feeling
Con brio	with spirit
Con grazia	with grace
Con forza	with force
Dolce	soft and sweet
Risoluto	with resolution
Ben marcato	well marked
Main droite	right hand
Main gauche	left hand
Una corda	with the soft pedal
Tre corde	release the soft pedal
Ad libitum	at pleasure, quite freely
Opus	a work or group of works
Loco	at normal pitch (after 8va sign)

Fourth Grade Words

Tempo comodo	at a comfortable speed
Tempo giusto	at a consistent speed
L'istesso tempo	at the same speed
Non troppo	not too much
Grave	slow and solemn
Rubato	with some freedom in the time
Stringendo	pressing on faster
Perdendosi	fading away
Smorzando	dying away
Rinforzando	reinforcing the tone
Pesante	heavily
Cantando	in a singing style
Tenuto	held
Piacevole	pleasant, agreeable
Portamento	a smooth gliding from note to note
Dolente	sadly, plaintively
Doloroso	sadly, plaintively
Sotto voce	softly, in an undertone
Giocoso	gay, merry
Grazioso	gracefully
Assai	very
Quasi	as if, as it were
Scherzando	playfully
Subito	suddenly