

Vocabulary Level 8

Animato – animated, usually increasing in tempo

Appoggiatura – an ornament similar to a grace note, but is played on the beat:




Atonal –music that uses all 12 pitches equally

Enharmonic –Pitches that are the same, but spelled differently. For example, C# and Db are enharmonic tones.

Homophonic – music with one voice or melody, accompanied by chords

Marcato – marked, stressed, emphasized

Mordent –  an ornament in which the principal note is followed by its lower auxiliary

Neighboring tone – a tone a step above or a step below a consonant tone

Ostinato – a short musical pattern that is repeated persistently throughout the piece

Passing tone – a tone which connects two consonant pitches by stepwise motion

Polyphonic – music with multiple voices or lines

Rubato – giving and taking of time, accelerating and slowing down the tempo

Sonata form – a form of music containing an exposition, development, and recapitulation

Turn – an ornament in which the principal note is in rapid alternation of the upper auxiliary