STUDY GUIDE 5 The Romantic Period

This study guide may be used on Test 5. Students who fill out and study this study guide usually do quite well on the test. You may work individually or in groups to fill in the answers.

- 1. Romanticism, as a stylistic period in western art music, encompassed the years
- 2. Of all the inspirations for romantic art, none was more important than
- 3. Fascination with national identity also led composers to draw on colorful materials from foreign lands, a trend known as musical
- 4. Program music is
- 5. The deliberate intent to draw creative inspiration from the composer's own homeland is known as
- 6. An orchestra toward the end of the romantic period might include close to _____ musicians.
- 7. The orchestra in the romantic period
- 8. The 1844 Treatise on Modern Instrumentation and Orchestration that signaled the recognition of orchestration as an art in itself was written by
- 9. Which of the following statements is not true of the piano in the early romantic period?
- 10. A slight slowing down or speeding up of the tempo, characteristically employed in the performance of much romantic music, is
- 11. Altering the character of a melody by changes in dynamics, orchestration, or rhythm is a romantic technique known as
- 12. Because of the French Revolution and the ______, many aristocrats could no longer afford to maintain private opera houses, orchestras, and "composers in residence".
- 13. The composer whose career was a model for many romantic composers was
- 14. A romantic composer who earned his living as a touring virtuoso was
- 15. A composer who earned his/her living as a violin virtuoso was
- 16. When music conservatories were founded, women
- 17. A very important musical part of every middle-class home during the romantic period was the
- 18. One of the few composers fortunate enough to be supported by private patrons was
- 19. Music criticism was a source of income for both Hector Berlioz and
- 20. An art song is a musical composition for
- 21. The word ______ is commonly used for a romantic art song with a German text.
- 22. The German composers of art songs favored, among others, the lyric poetry of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe and
- 23. The mood of an art song is often set by a brief piano introduction and summed up at the end by a piano section called a
- 24. When the same music is repeated for each stanza of a poem, the form is known as
- 25. When a composer writes new music for each stanza of a poem, the form is known as
- 26. Schubert's primary source of income came from his
- 27. Schubert wrote a number of symphonies and chamber works that are comparable in power and emotional intensity to those of his idol,
- 28. Schubert was
- 29. True or false? Schubert labored at great length over each of his compositions, which accounts for his small output.
- 30. Schubert's songs number more than
- 31. Schubert wrote compositions in every musical genre except
- 32. Schubert was eighteen years old when he composed the song Erlkönig, set to a poem by
- 33. The form of The Erlking is
- 34. The Erlking, in Schubert's song of that name, is a romantic personification of
- 35. The piano's relentless rhythm in Erlkönig (The Erlking) unifies the episodes of the song and suggests the
- 36. Robert Schumann's Carnaval is a(n)
- 37. Clara Schumann frequently performed the works of her husband and of her close friend
- 38. As a composer, Clara Schumann
- 39. A leading pianist of the nineteenth century, Clara Schumann
- 40. Romanze (romance) in the nineteenth century was often used for a(n)
- 41. Clara Wieck Schumann's "Romance in E minor" op.11, uses the form of
- 42. Chopin expressed his love of Poland by composing polonaises and
- 43. Most of Chopin's pieces
- 44. Chopin's output is
- 45. A slow, lyrical, intimate composition for piano, associated with evening and night time, is the
- 46. Chopin's Revolutionary Étude develops the pianist's left hand because
- 47. A study piece, designed to help a performer master specific technical difficulties, is known as
- 48. The ______ is a dance in triple meter that originated as a stately processional for the Polish nobility.
- 49. As a youth, Franz Liszt was influenced by the performances of
- 50. Until the age of thirty-six, Franz Liszt toured Europe as a virtuoso

- 51. Liszt abandoned his career as a traveling virtuoso to become court conductor at _____, where he championed works by contemporary composers.
- 52. Liszt established himself as a conductor and champion of contemporary music in the city of
- 53. Liszt created the ______, a one-movement orchestral composition based to some extent on a literary or pictorial idea.
- 54. Mendelssohn is known as the man who rekindled an interest in the music of
- 55. Mendelssohn earned an international reputation, and rekindled an interest in the earlier composer's music, by conducting the first performance since the composer's death of
- 56. The high point of Mendelssohn's career was the triumphant premiere of his oratorio ______ in England.
- 57. Mendelssohn wrote in all musical forms except
- 58. The three movements of Mendelssohn's Concerto for Violin
- 59. The opening of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor is unusual in that
- 60. The second movement of Mendelssohn's Concerto for Violin is in _____ form.
- 61. Instrumental music associated with a story, poem, idea, or scene, popular during the romantic period, is called
- 62. Absolute music is also known as
- 63. A ______ is an instrumental composition in several movements based to some extent on a literary or pictorial idea.
- 64. A ______ is a one-movement orchestral composition based to some extent on a literary or pictorial idea.
- 65. The composer who developed the symphonic poem was
- 66. Music intended to be performed before and during a play to set the mood for scenes or highlight dramatic action is known as
- 67. In 1830 the Paris Conservatory awarded Berlioz
- 68. The Fantastic Symphony reflects Berlioz's
- 69. In order to support his family, Berlioz turned to
- 70. As one of the first great ______, Berlioz influenced a whole generation of musicians.
- 71. Berlioz was extraordinarily imaginative in treating the orchestra, creating ______ never before heard.
- 72. The contrasting episodes of Berlioz's Fantastic Symphony are unified by the recurrence of a theme known as the
- 73. The second movement of Berlioz's Fantastic Symphony is a _____, the most popular dance of the romantic era.
- 74. The fourth movement of Berlioz's Fantastic Symphony depicts a
- 75. The "father of Russian music" is
- 76. The founder of Czech national music was
- 77. Even though Smetana was deaf at the time, he composed a musical work depicting Bohemia's main river as it flows through the countryside. The name of the river, and the musical composition, is the
- 78. Antonin Dvořák's music was first promoted by
- 79. Dvořák "found a secure basis for a new national [American] musical school" in
- 80. In 1892, Dvořák went to ______, where he spent almost three years as director of the National Conservatory of Music.
- 81. In the first movement of the New World Symphony, Dvořák
- 82. Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky
- 83. Nadezhda von Meck was
- 84. At its premiere in 1870, Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet Overture was
- 85. Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet is
- 86. The course of Brahms's artistic and personal life was shaped by the influence of the composer
- 87. Brahms's musical trademarks included
- 88. Verdi studied music in _____, the city where Italy's most important opera house, La Scala, is located.
- 89. Critics were often scandalized by the subject matter of Verdi's operas because they
- 90. Giuseppe Verdi mainly composed his operas to
- 91. The soul of a Verdi opera is
- 92. The famous aria La donna è mobile is taken from Verdi's opera
- 93. Giacomo Puccini's first successful opera was
- 94. An artistic trend of the 1890s, in which operas dealt with ordinary people and true-to-life situations, was known as
- 95. Some of Puccini's operas feature exoticism, as in his use of melodic and rhythmic elements derived from Japanese and Chinese music in his operas
- 96. Wagner had an opera house built to his own specifications in
- 97. The composer who had an overwhelming influence on the young Wagner was
- 98. Richard Wagner's first successful opera was
- 99. The librettos to The Ring of the Nibelung were written by
- 100. A short musical idea associated with a person, object, or thought, used by Richard Wagner in his operas, is called