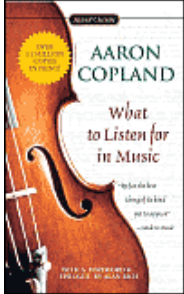


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IB MUSIC – STANDARD LEVEL SUMMER ASSIGNMENT



REQUIRED TEXT:



What to Listen for in Music
by Aaron Copland

Publisher: Signet Classics

ISBN-13: 978-0451528674

Approximately \$8.00

This text will be available at Lamar's School
Store beginning June 8, 2009.

Check the Half Price Bookstores too!

WHAT TO LISTEN FOR IN MUSIC

Read this entire book over the summer and be prepared for a quiz during the first week of school.

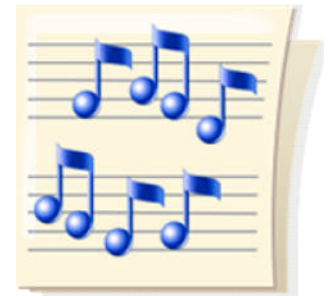
In this fascinating analysis of how to listen to music intelligently, Aaron Copland raises two basic questions: Are you hearing everything that is going on? Are you really being sensitive to it? If you cannot answer yes to both questions, you owe it to yourself to read this book. Whether you listen to Mozart or Duke Ellington, Aaron Copland's provocative suggestions for listening to music from his point of view will bring you a deeper appreciation of the most rewarding of all art forms. This classic work, the only book of its kind written by an eminent American composer, features:

- Chapters on contemporary music and film music
- Recommended recordings for each chapter
- A selected list of books for further reading and reference

In this edition, leading music critic Alan Rich continues Copland's discussion of contemporary music for today's listeners and traces the composer's success in bringing music lovers "closer to the magical mysteries of the music we can hear and want to hear better."

Topics Covered:

Preliminaries - How We Listen - The Creative Process in Music
The Four Elements of Music: Rhythm, Melody, Harmony, Tone Color
Musical Texture - Musical Structure
Fundamental Forms: Sectional, Variation, Fugal, Sonata, Form Free
Opera and Music Drama - Contemporary Music - Film Music
From Composer to Interpreter to Listener



One of the most helpful, sensible, and enjoyable discourses on the subject ever published.

Students who refuse to complete this summer assignment will need to drop IB Music – SL. Seniors who enroll in this course are required to register for the IB exam.