

Music Scavenger Hunt

Ludwig van Beethoven

Excerpts from
Leonore Overture No. 3

Careful listening and watching can make any piece of music come to life. We have listed some clues below for musical moments to recognize as you listen to and watch our YouTube recording of this piece here: www.youtube.com/watch?v=gwfmzbgSys. Put a checkmark next to each clue that you notice. If there is a blank in the clue, fill in the blank. You might need to listen to each recording a few times to catch everything.

- The music begins with a sustained note, that becomes a descending scale. How many notes does it go down?
- In the first 1:18 of the recording are the dynamic changes generally sudden or smooth?
- At 1:33 there is a (brief/long) _____ flurry of notes.
- Listen for the flute section to play in octaves at 1:56.
- At 2:27 the melody of the Overture begins, but Beethoven gets excited and doesn't actually finish the phrase until 3:03. How would you describe this melody? Happy? Sad? Lonely? Excited?
- At 4:48 the string section asks a question. Which brass instrument answers the strings at 4:51? (Listen carefully, the brass are not in the view of the camera at this point.)
- How many times does the final chord repeat?

1. 8
2. Smooth
3. Brief
5. French Horn
6. 8