



Music



Year 9

Name: _____

Tutor Group: _____ Teacher: Dr Nicholls

Given out: Monday 9 March Hand in: Monday 16 March

Parent/Carer Comment

Staff Comment **If you are finding any of these tasks difficult, there is a Home Learning Club after school or see me for help during the week.**

Target

Reading

CARL ORFF



BORN: 1895 / **DIED:** 1982 / **NATIONALITY:** German

Carl Orff was a German composer who is now best known for his strange and massive choral work: *Carmina Burana*. Orff was born in Munich and began writing music when he was very young. By the age of 16 his music had been published and he had completed many songs based on German poetry. Orff then served in the German army during World War One and this changed him forever. In the 1920s he developed a method of teaching music to beginners and spent much of his remaining life working with children. The xylophones you might have used in primary school are actually called 'Orff instruments' in many countries across the world and his teaching methods are still widely used. Carl Orff's life spanned an incredible period of German history including two wars. All the events his country went through affected him as an artist and towards the end of his life he disowned many of his early works and stopped them being performed arguing that they no longer reflected the person he had become.

TASK 1

'Carmina Burana' by Carl Orff



1. Type 'BBC ten pieces' into Google.
2. Once on the website, click on 'The pieces'.
3. Scroll down and locate 'Carmina Burana'.
4. Watch and listen to Carmina Burana - 'O fortuna' by Orff: An exciting introduction and Carmina Burana - 'O fortuna' by Orff: A full performance
5. Answer the following questions:
 - a. What is the piece about?
 - b. List the instruments you can see and hear in the 'full performance'.
 - c. How does the composer make the piece sound exciting?

TASK 2

Your choice



Symphony No. 9 in E minor, 'From the New World' – Largo (2nd movement)

Antonín Dvořák



'Enigma' Variations: Nos. 11, 6 & 7

Edward Elgar

1. Select at least another **two** of the other pieces from the 'BBC Ten Pieces' website.
2. Listen to the full performance of the pieces and the introduction to the piece.
3. Answer the following questions:
 - a. Which pieces did you listen to?

Piece 1: _____

Piece 2: _____

b. Find out at least five facts about each piece and complete the table below.

Piece 1	Piece 2
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.

