

Mendelssohn

The Greatest Childhood Ever

Describe Felix Mendelssohn's family background, faith, and upbringing. Mention the many skills, languages, and musical opportunities Felix was able to absorb.

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Describe the circumstances around these major accomplishments and the consequences they had.

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St. Matthew Passion : _____

The Leipzig Conservatory : _____

Royal Kapellmeister : _____

Early Demise

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What event seems to have initiated Felix's untimely death? Why might he have died anyways?

How was Felix remember after his death? To whom was he compared and why?

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The Violin Concerto in E minor

Identify these musical fragments and provide the following details:



What section of the first movement are you looking at and what is happening?

/2

What great composer was Mendelssohn emulating? _____

/1

How does this procedure represent *romanticism*?

/3



What section of the first movement are you looking at and what is happening?

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What is the harmonic function of this section? _____

/1

How is the placement of this section within the overall form unique for its time?

/3

What is the unique bowing technique featured in the later half of this section?

/1

Musical Style

How have Mendelssohn's compositions contributed to the development of western art music?

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