

Foreword

Fun with Composers: Just for Kids guides brings the great classics to life! The power of storytelling will draw children into the intriguing world of classical music.

Creative chicks, mountain trolls, and crazy bananas are just a few of the fascinating characters unveiled in this unique union of story and song. Children will sing, dance, act, and play to the music of Beethoven, Mussorgsky, and other greats!

Just for Kids provides children with a wealth of captivating stories, music maps, composer images and stories, fun activity pages, and more! Guided activities have been provided for parents who wish to become actively involved in their child's musical experience.

Our audio files, with accompanying lyrics, enable a parent to guide children through the music maps successfully. Suggested movements are also provided for parents to help their children through the music.

To enrich the child's learning experience further, parents can also add in rhythm instruments such as jingle bells, triangles, or hand drums. Or better yet, let's get really creative and use the best instruments found within every home – pots, wooden spoons, mixing bowls, and whisks. Children can either play along to the rhythm of the music, or choose sections that their instrument would represent.

Fun with Composers encourages children to share their experiences and newfound interest in classical music with family and friends.

Music is an invaluable gift for all ages. Together, we can help children develop a greater understanding and appreciation for classical music.

Sincerely



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