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# Music Appreciation: Johann Sebastian Bach\*

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Week 5-8

**First:** Get a hold of Bach's Brandenburg Concerto #2 and listen to it often. You can also just go to [www.classicsforkids.com](http://www.classicsforkids.com) and listen to the First Movement of that concerto for free. This is a glorious piece of music.

**Second:** Go to [www.classicsforkids.com](http://www.classicsforkids.com) and listen to all the shows on Bach.

**Third:** Read Johann Sebastian Bach by Mike Venezia (Reading Level 5.6). Your local library and amazon have a copy.

**Fourth:** Go to [www.classicsforkids.com](http://www.classicsforkids.com) and download the activity sheet for Bach. Bach's life is very complicated and the synopsis of his life on that sheet, found under the title "Brandenburg Concerto # 2," is terrific. Cut it out and glue to the bottom of this page. Review the information in the synopsis.

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**Fifth:** Fold a 8.5 x 11 Piece of paper in half and then do a portrait of Johann Sebastian Bach. You can find various images of him in Venezia's book and on the internet. Make sure you give him a dramatic wig. Glue your portrait into the space below.

**Sixth:** Find a partner and explain what a "concerto" is. (No need to write it down.)

**Seventh:** Answer the following questions.

One: When and where was he born?

Two: How many marriages did he have?

Three: How many children did he have all together?

Four: Most members of the Bach family were.... (Circle correct answer.)

a. Fishmongers

b. Podiatrists

c. Internists

d. Musicians

e. Surfers

f. Sanitation Technicians