

# Jazz & Blues Artists Research Project

## INSTRUCTIONS

There are three parts to this project:

- I. Research paper
- II. Class presentation
- III. Questions with answers sheet

### Part I

1. Select one of the Jazz or Blues musicians from the list at the bottom of the second page.
2. Write a research paper that includes the following information:
  - a. Date of birth and where born
  - b. Where the person grew up and interesting information about his/her life as a child & as an adult
  - c. What contribution(s) he/she made to jazz or blues
  - d. What style of jazz or blues the person is known for performing
  - e. What instrument, including voice, the person played
  - f. Specific pieces of music the person is known for
3. You must put all information that is copied from a source in quotations and cite the source. Copying information from any source without properly acknowledging the source is plagiarism and is not permitted. See QUOTES below for more instructions.
4. You must include a bibliography of all sources used including specific websites. See BIBLIOGRAPHY below for more information.

### QUOTES

#### EXAMPLE 1:

“Gene Crupa said, ‘He was the greatest drummer that ever drew breath.’” (1 at 2:32)

- The listing is a youtube video. Number 1 is the bibliography listing for the source. The 2:32 tells how far into the video the quote can be located.
- The quote is short, so it is put in quotations.

#### EXAMPLE 2:

The influence of gospel singers on rhythm and blues added a new slant to the music and soon it was simply called R&B. Its mid-‘60s incarnation added the label *soul music*, and from then on, it was called R&B-soul by those in the know. R&B-soul combines the best of soul music, gospel, and the blues into a heady mixture of its own. (4 pg. 37)

- The quote comes from a book. Number 4 is the bibliography number for the book source and pg. is the page that the quote can be found on.
- The quote is long, so it is indented on both the right and left sides of each line of the quote.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

1. Buddy Rich - Jazz Legend '17 - '70 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h0jZb-4tAYE>
2. Buddy Rich Big Band - Groovin Hard (HQ) 1970 <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g68k-ehA6x8>
3. The Jazz Book: From Ragtime to the 21st Century by Joachim-Ernst Berendt
4. Blues for Dummies by Lonnie Brooks, Cub Koda, and Wayne Baker Brooks 1998

Numbers 1 and 2 in the bibliography are websites.

Numbers 3 and 4 in the bibliography are books.

## Part II. Class Presentation

1. Prepare to present your research to the class.
  - a. You need to be able to present the information about your jazz musician without just reading your report to the class.
  - b. Include at least one recording of the musician or at least one video/youtube segment of the musician.
  - c. Make your report interesting for your classmates to listen to!
  - d. Write 3 questions about your jazz musician that the class should be able to answer after your presentation. These questions will be turned in on a separate sheet of paper and the answers that you expect to receive must be included on the sheet.

## Part III. Questions and Answers

- I. On a separate sheet of paper write three multiple choice questions on the important information your presentation covers.
- II. Circle the answer(s) that you feel are correct on each question
- III. There will be a test on the Jazz / Blues Unit. The teacher has the option to include questions from any of the students' question sheets on a test.

**Choose one of the following artists for your project. Tell the teacher the name of the artist you have chosen.**

Louis Armstrong	Joe Venuti	Duke Ellington
Benny Goodman	Billie Holiday	BB King
Muddy Waters	Bessie Smith	Ella Fitzgerald
Jelly Roll Morton	Scott Joplin	Joe "King" Oliver
Thelonious Monk	Dizzy Gillespie	James Reese Europe
Charles "Buddy" Bolden	Fats Waller	Count Basie
Stephane Grappelli	Sun Ra	Clark Terry
Charlie Parker	Dave Brubeck	Charles Mingus
Oscar Peterson	Miles Davis	John Coltrane
Wynton Marsalis	Dinah Washington	Sarah Vaughn
Aaron "T-Bone" Walker	Sidney Bechet	Joseph V "Big Joe" Turner
Mildred Bailey	Gladys Bentley	Lucille Bogan
Peggy Lee		