BBC Bingham EPISODE 2

CHORAL MUSIC QUIZ

No deductions for spelling in any round

Round 1

1. The Choral piece called The Seasons 1801 Haydn
2. The Oratorio St Paul 1836 Mendelssohn
3. Psalmus Hungaricus 1923 Kodaly
4. L'Allegro, Il Penseroso, ed Il Moderato 1740 Handel
5. The motet in forty harmony parts, Spem in Alium 1570 Tallis
6. The Coffee Cantata 1735 Bach
7. The Vesperae Solennes de Confessore 1780 Mozart
8. Done Nobis Pacem 1936 Vaughan Williams
9. The Missa Solemnis 1824 Beethoven
10. The Symphony of a Thousand 1910 Mahler

Round 2

1. Originally written for sixteen soloists and orchestra, as a present for the founder of the Proms, Henry Wood Vaughan Williams Serenade to Music
2. It has words complied by Henry Jennens and was composed in just 24 days Handel Messiah
3. Its text is a mixture of sacred Latin words and the poems of Wilfred Owen Britten War Requiem
4. It was originally intended to be performer with dancers, and includes characters such as a drunken abbot and a roasting swan. Orff Carmina Burana
5. It was written in 1874 in memory of the great Italian novelist Allessandro Manzoni Verdi Requiem
6. Although often performed as one piece, it is actually composed as a sequence of six separate cantatas. Bach Christmas Oratorio
7. It was unfinished at the composer's death, and is usually performed in a version completed by the composer's pupil Franz Sussmayr. Mozart Requiem
8. It was composed in 1902 and has been performed at every coronation since then. Parry I Was Glad
9. In 1900 the composer wrote at the end of the score: 'this is the best of me'. Elgar The Dream of Gerontius
10. Although the English translation of its title describes it as small and solemn, it is quite the opposite Rossini Petite Messe Solonnelle

Round 3

1. Bach B Minor Mass
2. Verdi Requiem
3. Vaughan Williams The Sea Symphony
4. Haydn The Creation
5. Bernstein Chichester Psalms
6. Elgar The Apostles

(The Spirit of the Lord is an acceptable answer as sometimes performed separately)

7. Mozart Requiem
8. Rutter Requiem
9. Handel Judas Maccabaeus (Thine be the Glory is NOT the answer)
10. Durufle Requiem

Round 4

1. Having become famous for writing operas, he ceased composing, apart from a couple of choral pieces, for the rest of his life. Rossini
2. His wife Clara was a famous pianist, and also an excellent composer herself. Schumann
3. He was a priest and worked at a girls' orphanage in Venice, composing many pieces for the girls there. Vivaldi
4. Bach said that if he were not Bach, there was only one other person he would like to be. Handel
5. A 20th century composer who was so self-critical that he destroyed most of his compositions, leaving only a Requiem, a few other choral pieces and some very hard organ music. Durufle
6. He was not very diplomatic. One one occasion an archbishop became so infuriated with him that he kicked him down a flight of stairs. Mozart
7. An early enthusiast for recording, this composer made his first recordings in in 1925, and in 1931 recorded his violin concerto with the 16 year old Yehudi Menuhin. Elgar
8. Benjamin Britten said this composer was the greatest British Composer. He is said to have died of complications from a chill caught when he was late home at night and his wife locked him out. Purcell
9. Although Mozart is famous for being an infant prodigy, the most impressive young composer was born 53 years after Mozart, and produced some of his finest works when he was only a teenager (these include a String Octet and the Midsummer Night's Dream, written when he was 16 and 17 respectively). Mendelssohn
10. Despite being old enough to be exempt from military service, he volunteered to be a stretcher-bearer in World War 1. Vaughan Williams

Round 5

(The answers *are as given by Classic FM in* order but you get the mark so long as the pieces is in your list)

Beethoven Ninth Symphony
Mozart Requiem
Allegri Miserere
Handel Messiah
The Armed Man (sorry)
Handel Zadok the Priest
Faure Requiem
Mozart Ave Verum
Elgar The Dream of Gerontius
Bach B Minor Mass

In Round 6

(In this case these are alphabetical by composer – it would have been too painful to rank them. Again you get the mark wherever you place them on the list.)

Bach B Minor Mass
Brahms Requiem
Britten War Requiem
Durufle Requiem
Faure Requiem
Handel Messiah
Mozart Requiem
Vaughan Williams Serenade to Music
Verdi Requiem
Walton Belshazzar's Feast

Mark out of 80: _____