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1 The section of a jazz ensemble that maintains the tempo is called the:

- (A) Sax section
- (B) Trumpet section
- (C) Trombone section
- (D) Rhythm section

Answer: (D) Rhythm section

2 Which instrument is not considered a member of the rhythm section?

- (A) Guitar
- (B) Trumpet
- (C) Bass
- (D) Drums

Answer: (B) Trumpet

3 A piece that lacks of any specific tonality is called:

- (A) Cacophony
- (B) Minor
- (C) Atonal
- (D) Major

Answer: (C) Atonal

4 The terms homophonic, polyphonic, and monophonic are all used to describe music's _____.

- (A) Rhythm
- (B) Texture
- (C) Melody
- (D) Harmony

Answer: (B) Texture

5 _____ takes place when a rhythm occurs on a weak, normally un-emphasized portion of a beat, interacting with a regularly occurring rhythm.

- (A) Syncopation
- (B) Polyphony
- (C) Atonality
- (D) Harmony

Answer: (A) Syncopation

6 A collection of two or more notes stacked one on top of another and sounded simultaneously is called:

- (A) Texture
- (B) Melody
- (C) Harmony
- (D) Syncopation

Answer: (C) Harmony

Feedback: Chords are defined similarly.

7 This phenomenon occurs when two or more different rhythms are played simultaneously, layered one on top of the other.

- (A) Monotony
- (B) Polyrhythm
- (C) Syncopation
- (D) Rubato

Answer: (B) Polyrhythm

8 A succession of chords is called a:

- (A) Progression
- (B) Group
- (C) Tetrachord
- (D) Syncopation

Answer: (A) Progression

9 The speed at which music moves is called what?

- (A) Rhythm
- (B) Pitch
- (C) Tempo
- (D) Forte

Answer: (C) Tempo

10 Which musical ingredient significantly distinguishes jazz from other styles?

- (A) Form
- (B) Polyphony
- (C) Harmony
- (D) Improvisation

Answer: (D) Improvisation