



Guided Listening "The Planets" Part 1

1. Gustav Holst inspired John Williams to write "The **Imperial** March"
2. Gustav Holst was born in the year **1874** and died in the year **1934**.
3. Holst was inspired by **2** composers during his time.
4. Holst composed "The Planets" from 1914 to **1916**
5. A "suite" is a group of musical pieces that relate to the **title**
6. Each planet in this orchestral suite is related to a **Roman** deity.
7. Pluto was not discovered until the **1930s**
8. Before you listen to the music. What do **you think** you will hear?

Circle all that apply and/or write in your own thoughts

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Brass	Quiet (p)	Cheerful	Long rhythms
Percussion	Medium Quiet (mp)	Angry	Fast tempo
Strings	Medium Loud (mf)	Dark	Slow tempo
	Loud (f)	Warriors	Repeated patterns
	Super Loud (ff)	Princesses	March-like
	Crescendos	Other???	Other???
	Decrecendos		

9. What do you **actually hear**? Circle the answers as you listen.

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10. After the lesson scroll down to the play- along video and try to play this repeated pattern on some homemade drums.

