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## Shatter the Silence: Elements of Music Quiz for 6th Grade

Analyze how pitch, duration, and intensity transform noise into organized sound. Students identify foundational concepts like tempo and timbre using global examples.

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**1. Which musical element refers to the specific 'tone color' or quality of a sound that lets you tell a flute apart from a growling electric guitar?**

- A. Dynamics
- B. Melody
- C. Timbre
- D. Rhythm

**2. Tempo refers to how loud or how soft a piece of music is played.**

- A. True
- B. False

**3. In a musical composition, the \_\_\_\_\_ is defined as a series of individual notes that add up to a recognizable tune.**

- A. Harmony
- B. Melody
- C. Tempo
- D. Texture

**4. If a drummer in a Japanese Taiko ensemble plays a very steady, repeating pulse, which element are they primarily establishing?**

- A. Harmony
- B. Rhythm
- C. Lyrics
- D. Pitch

**5. When several different notes are played at the same time to support the melody, it creates \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. Harmony
- B. Monophony
- C. Solo
- D. Beat

**6. The term 'crescendo' describes a change in dynamics where the music gradually gets louder.**

- A. True
- B. False

**7. Which of these words would best describe the tempo of a fast, energetic Bluegrass banjo song?**

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- A. Adagio (Slow)
- B. Piano (Soft)
- C. Allegro (Fast)
- D. Forte (Loud)

**8. A composer who writes music that moves from very soft to very loud is manipulating the element of \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. Duration
- B. Dynamics
- C. Key
- D. Timbre

**9. Melody and Harmony are the exact same thing in a musical piece.**

- A. True
- B. False

**10. If you are listening to a heavy metal band and then switch to a classical string quartet, which element is changing the most noticeably?**

- A. Rhythm
- B. Dynamics
- C. Timbre
- D. Tempo