

Musical Mondays

The Sound of Music

The Best Picture of 1966

Starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer



Music

- Watch the movie!
- Listen to the soundtrack - [The Sound Of Music \(50th Anniversary Edition\) by Rodgers & Hammerstein & Julie Andrews on Amazon Music - Amazon.com](#) (sing, dance, play maracas along with)
- Write a song about your favorite things
- Practice scales on the piano, xylophone, or instrument of your choice. Do, Re, Mi, Fa, So, La, Ti, Do!
- Mozart was born in Salzburg, Austria. Learn about the composer. Listen to his music.

Quiz

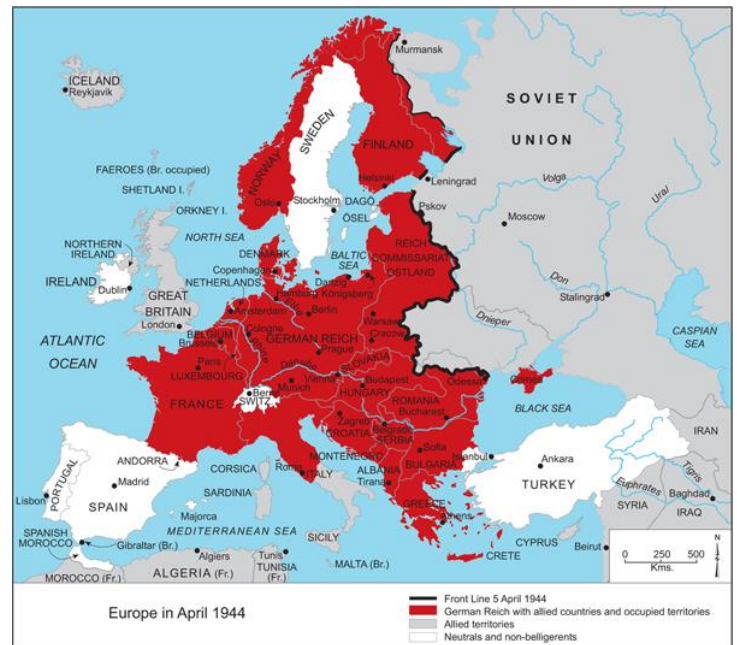
1. When does the story of The Sound of Music take place? Where?
2. Which song is sung to comfort the children during the thunderstorm?
3. What is Rolph's job?
4. What does Uncle Max bring for the children to play with?
5. Where does the family go to hide after the music festival?

Essay: Answer one or more of these questions in essay format, 3 or 5 paragraphs. Or discuss the questions together.

1. The main character becomes the governess of the Von Trapp kids. What is a governess? What were the qualifications needed to be a governess? How was Maria a different governess than the Von Trapp kids were used to?
2. Do you think music is beneficial in learning? Why or why not?
3. Captain Von Trapp is pressured to join the Third Reich. After researching, discuss the debate going on in his mind. Would there have been any benefits of joining?
4. At the end of the movie, the Von Trapp family is forced to leave their home and go into hiding. Research refugees and discuss why they left, where they may have gone, their daily lives in hiding, etc.

History and Geography

Europe Before World War I



- Study the maps of Europe above
- WWII animated map - [World War II Animated Map - Bing video](#)
- Draw a map of Austria, include all major cities and landmarks
- Research Austria
- Research Adolf Hitler and the Third Reich

Science

- Research Edelweiss and other plants in Austria and central Europe.
- Salzburg means Salt Fortress. Learn about the salt mines in Austria. The largest ice caves are just outside of Salzburg. Research them.



Home Ec.

- Maria made play clothes for the Von Trapp kids. Try a sewing project yourself.
- Learn the Austrian folk dance they do in the movie - [\(85\) Sound of Music Laendler - demo 真善美 - YouTube](#)

Language

In the song "So Long, Farewell," the children say goodbye in different languages. Research how to say goodbye in as many languages as you can.

From the movie:

Auf wiedersehen – German

Au revoir, Adieu – French

Additional Activities

- Make a marionette - [\(84\) Building Club: How to Make a Marionette - YouTube](#) or [Cardboard Crafts | Rodgers & Hammerstein \(rodgersandhammerstein.com\)](#)
- “Climb Every Mountain” – go on a hike
- Sound of Music puzzles and games - [The Sound Of Music Activities For Kids - Maritza Lisa](#)

Corresponding Literature Suggestions

Younger Readers:

The Little Ships: The Heroic Rescue at Dunkirk in World War II by Louise Borden

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps by Andrea Warren

Tales of the RAF (children's book series)

Rosie the Riveter: Women Working on the Home Front in World War II by Penny Colman

World War II: An Interactive History Adventure (You Choose: History)

Escape to the Hiding Place by Marianne Hering

Dogs of War by Sheila Keenan

Older Readers:

Jack 1939 by Francine Mathews.

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak.

German Boy: A Child in War by Wolfgang S.E. Samuel

Vienna Prelude (Zion Covenant #1) by Bodie Thoene





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