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Pictures You Can Hear: Baby Chicks

MUSSORGSKY "Ballet of the Unhatched Chicks" from *Pictures at an Exhibition*

WHAT DO YOU HEAR?



BEFORE YOU LISTEN

Just like you can paint pictures with a brush and paint, music can paint pictures with sound. Today's music is about baby chicks dancing in their shells.

To make the music sound like baby chicks, the composer Modest Mussorgsky had decisions to make. Let's think about what the music should sound like!

What should the **tempo** of the music be? Fast or slow? _____

What about the **pitch**? High sound or low sound? _____

What should the **dynamics** be? Loud or quiet? _____

What about the mood of the music? Happy or sad? _____

LET'S LISTEN!

Now listen to the music that Mussorgsky wrote about the unhatched chicks. Did it match with what you thought the dance of the baby chicks should sound like? Why or why not?



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LET'S DRAW!

Draw a picture of the baby chicks dancing inside their shells!