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## Pictures You Can Hear: The Great Gate

MUSSORGSKY "The Great Gate of Kiev" from *Pictures at an Exhibition*

### WHAT DO YOU HEAR?



The composer Modest Mussorgsky wrote a piece about the Great Gate of Kiev. Kiev is the capital of Ukraine, a country bordered by Russia, Poland, and five other countries in Eastern Europe.



Buddy explains there are three different sections or themes in the music. What are they about, and how does Buddy explain each section?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_

To create bell sounds, what does Buddy use on the piano to keep the sound ringing even after his hands have left the keys? \_\_\_\_\_

The music was inspired by a sketch of a monumental gate made by Mussorgsky's good friend Viktor Hartmann. However, this gate did not exist in the real world. Based on the music, what do you think this gate looked like?

Create your own picture of the gate. Make sure to include the bells, too!

Compare your painting to Hartmann's original sketch [here](#).

