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## Building Blocks MOZART Sonata in D Major, K. 284, Mvt 1

### WHAT DO YOU HEAR?



Music is a language very similar to one you speak and write. In this episode, we'll discuss how music is put together—how composers use notes that build on one another to create harmony; how a melody acts much like a spoken phrase; and how different musical sections can sound like complex sentences and even full paragraphs, to name just a few ways they compare.

Right away, Buddy tells us what the word **compose** means. Write the definition he gives here:

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We call music notes, or pitches, by letter names. What are the seven letters of the musical alphabet?

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We can make words by combining these letters, just like you do with the standard alphabet. What do musicians call these musical "words?" \_\_\_\_\_

What "words," or chords, does Buddy create on the piano? Write out the letter names he uses.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

How does this chord sound?

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

How does this chord sound?

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When we put words (or chords) together, Buddy says we can make \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

Listen to the first short example played by Alex McDonald. Does this phrase sound COMPLETE or INCOMPLETE? [circle one]

What simple written phrase does Buddy use to represent the musical phrase?

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After listening to the second example, does this full sentence sound COMPLETE or INCOMPLETE? [circle one]

Can you hear how the phrases add together to make a full sentence? What is the full sentence Buddy creates?

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Now buddy adds a second sentence! As you listen to the third example of Alex playing both musical sentences, does this musical example sound more COMPLETE or INCOMPLETE than the other two? [circle one]



## TIME TO WRITE!

While you listen to the full performance, think about the example sentences Buddy has created about the dog. How can you finish the dog's story? Think about how the music sounds and makes you feel: is it happy or gloomy music? Fast or slow? How do you think the dog is feeling before and after he comes inside? Who else might be in the story? Using the music as your guide, write out the dog's story in the space below!

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