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## How Many Hands: Racing Donkeys SAINT-SAËNS "Wild Donkeys" from Carnival of the Animals

### MUSICAL MATCHING - TEMPO

The wild donkeys our composer wrote about are from Tibet, which is located in the southwest region of China. They are known for being able to run very fast!

Buddy explains that the two pianists playing the same notes together depict the two wild donkeys having a race. Did one donkey win the race, or was it a tie? Were they running exactly the same way, or differently? Listen and watch the performance closely and write down what you hear!

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### MUSICAL MATCHING

Buddy mentions that he and Evan had to make some musical decisions before playing together. One of the decisions they had to make was how fast or slow they were going to play to make it sound like the running wild donkeys. The speed of music is called **tempo**. Tempo markings tell us how fast or slow the music should be played. Using the [Classics for Kids Musical Dictionary](#) as a reference, look up the words below and match them to their correct definition by writing the word in the blank next to it.

**Largo   Andante   Allegro   Presto**

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Very quick and fast tempo

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Italian for "walking," not too fast or too slow

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Very slow tempo

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Italian for "happy." To play a piece in a lively manner, at a fast (but not too fast) pace

Which tempo marking best matches the music of the wild donkeys? \_\_\_\_\_