

# Beethoven Web Treasure Trail

There are many websites dedicated to Beethoven. Here are some interesting ones to look at:

- <http://www.madaboutbeethoven.com>
- <http://www.dsokids.com/2001/dso.asp?PageID=57>
- <http://www.lucare.com/immortal/>
- <http://www.classicsforkids.com/shows/showview.asp?ID=20>

You can listen to radio shows about Beethoven here, as well as reading about him.

Can you use them to find answers to these questions about Beethoven's life? To answer some fully, you may need to use information from more than one site.

1. What is Beethoven's full name? \_\_\_\_\_

2. When was he born? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What evidence can you find that Beethoven was a child prodigy (someone who has a great deal of talent at a very young age)?

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4. Beethoven suffered from a condition that made it very difficult for him to compose music. What was it, and how did it affect his life as a musician?

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5. How would you describe Beethoven's personality?

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6. How many symphonies did Beethoven compose?

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## Discussion point:

We often find conflicting information on different websites.

Why do you think this is? How can we check to make sure the information we find is accurate?