



In Nature's Realm

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- **Pure Music:** Designed using musical forms, no specific non-musical subject in mind
- **Program Music:** Portrays non-musical subjects, approaches include:

Inclusion



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Imitation



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Impression



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Imagination



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Inspiration



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Now listen closely to...

What your ears hear...

What your mind sees...

What your heart feels!



What do your ears think they hear?

What picture is the music painting?



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Hovhanness: The Spirit of Trees

What sounds fill your ears?
What is your mind imagining?



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Debussy: La Mer - Dialogue of the Wind and the Sea



How would you describe what you are hearing?

How does the music make you feel?



Thomas: Echoes of a Waterfall



How is the music impacting your emotions?
What picture is the music painting?



Hovhanness: To the Appalachian Mountains



What is the melody inviting your mind to see?

What feelings flow through you now as you listen?



What strikes you most about this music?

What might the music be portraying?



What vision is the music offering *your eyes*?
How is the melody molding *your mood*?





How does this music impact *your* energy level?

What does your mind see in these sounds?

Orff: Carmina Burana – Behold the Spring





Thank You!

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Selections

- Hovhaness: And God Created Great Whales
- Verdi: Othello
- Saint-Saëns: Carnival of the Animals
- Rutter: All Things Bright and Beautiful
- Debussy: Footprints in the Snow
- Hovhaness: Spirit of Trees
- Debussy: La Mer: Dialogue of the Wind and Waves
- Thomas: Echoes of a Waterfall
- Hovhaness - To the Appalachian Mountains
- Grieg: Two Lyric Pieces: Evening in the Mountains
- Saint-Saëns: Carnival of the Animals - Fossils
- Novak: In the Tatras: At Night
- Orff: Carmina Burana: Behold the Spring