

Beethoven Bingo

How to Play:

1. Listen carefully when your teacher reads each clue.
2. Look for the answer on your card and mark it.
3. If you have five answers in a row (across, down, or diagonal), say "Bingo!"
4. Read your answers to your teacher so they can check.

Louis	Deafness	Ludwig	Heiligenstadt Testament	Anger
Auntie Frédérique	Heroism	7th Symphony	Moonlight Sonata	Lucie
Music shop	Loneliness	FREE	Grumpy	Auntie's teaching
Classical	Paris	Playing music	Misunderstood	Compose music
5th Symphony	Connection	Piano	English	Happiness

Teacher Call Sheet

Setup

1. Give each student a bingo card.
2. Have your call sheet with matching clues or questions ready.
3. Give students markers, chips, or tell them to mark with a pencil.

How to Play

1. Call out one question. You can change the order if you like.
2. Students find and mark the matching term.
3. Keep reading clues until someone says "Bingo!". Check their marked terms with your call sheet.

Call Sheet Questions

- ☐ Who is the main character in the story? (Louis)
- ☐ What condition is Louis facing? (Deafness)
- ☐ What painting does Louis see in the music shop? (Ludwig)
- ☐ What is the name of the testament by Beethoven? (Heiligenstadt Testament)
- ☐ What emotion does Louis feel about his deafness? (Anger)
- ☐ Who visits Louis for tea? (Auntie Frédérique)
- ☐ What does Louis admire about Beethoven? (Heroism)
- ☐ Which symphony does Louis listen to that brings him joy? (7th Symphony)
- ☐ What piece of music does Louis first hear that he loves? (Moonlight Sonata)
- ☐ Who does Louis meet and become a couple with? (Lucie)
- ☐ What type of shop does Louis visit? (Music shop)
- ☐ What feeling does Beethoven express in his letter? (Loneliness)
- ☐ What does Louis think people assume about him? (Grumpy)
- ☐ How does Louis learn about Beethoven's music? (Auntie's teaching)
- ☐ What type of music does Louis enjoy? (Classical)
- ☐ What city does Louis live in? (Paris)
- ☐ What activity makes Louis realize exciting possibilities? (Playing music)
- ☐ What is a characteristic of Beethoven's personality according to Louis? (Misunderstood)
- ☐ What did Beethoven do despite his deafness? (Compose music)
- ☐ Which symphony is characterized by its famous four-note motif? (5th Symphony)
- ☐ What does Louis's comparison of himself to Beethoven symbolize? (Connection)
- ☐ What instrument might Beethoven have played? (Piano)
- ☐ What language is Louis's mother speaking? (English)
- ☐ What does music provide Louis that he values? (Happiness)

Learning Supports

1. **Pre-Teach or Preview:** Before starting, quickly review tricky words, categories, or definitions likely to appear on the cards. E.g., highlight confusing terms on the board.
2. **Think-Pair-Confirm:** After each clue is called, allow a few seconds for students to quietly check with a partner: "Do you agree this is the right word? Why?"
3. **Visual Supports:** For abstract or unfamiliar terms, display an image, symbol, or short definition alongside the clue as you read it.
4. **Self-Explanation:** Occasionally, prompt students to explain in their own words what the clue means, instead of just marking it. E.g., Teacher says: "Pause! Who can explain this word in their own words?"
5. **Elaborative Interrogation:** After each clue, ask a follow-up question: "Why is this term important?", "How is this idea connected to another term on your card?"