

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3w0ECey_gyc Maple Leaf Rag recording played by Joplin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fPmruHc4S9Q> The Entertainer

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NdCBT_VHnUk Easy Winners

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7KsF8-32rwI> Solace

QUIZ

1. Scott Joplin was born in _____, _____
City State
2. He was known as “The King of _____,” and another nickname for him was the “_____.”
3. He began learning piano on his own before he took lessons. Where did he find a piano to practice?

4. When music publisher John Stark walked into the Maple Leaf Club of Sedalia, what did he hear Joplin playing inside the club? _____
5. When Mr. Stark published this piece, was it successful? Yes No (please circle)
6. What was the name of Joplin’s opera? _____
7. Was the opera successful when it premiered in 1917? Yes No (please circle)
8. When it was remounted in the 1970s, what prize was awarded to Joplin? _____

9. What movie in 1973 used Joplin music as it’s score, which brought Ragtime back into favor?

10. E.L. Doctorow’s novel *Ragtime* features a Joplin-like figure named: _____
11. Please listen to the four You Tube performances of Jopling rags listed above and put them in order of your preference – your most favorite 1st to your least favorite 4th . What is the reason for your choices. (In other words, what did you like or dislike about the pieces.)
1st choice: _____
2nd choice: _____
3rd choice: _____

4th choice: _____

Here is a movie review of *The Sting*. Parents may want to preview this before watching it on family night. <https://parentpreviews.com/movie-reviews/the-sting> The plot has lots of twists and turns with a very unexpected ending. It is a fun romp, but may not be appropriate for youngsters.

The musical *Ragtime* is playing between Sept. 16 and Oct. 15 at the Plaza Theater in Cleburne. It runs on Thurs/Fri/Sat evenings and on Sat afternoon. One of the main characters, Coalhouse Walker (Joplin), will be played by a former BSM student, Mr. Bryant Huggins of Weatherford. Bryant is a graduate of WHS and of Harvard University. Bryant graduated from our Kindermusik program many years ago, and he developed into a fine pianist throughout his school years here at the BSM before graduating from high school. You can read a review and see ticket prices at <https://plaza-theatre.com/> We are very happy for his many successes, and we hope to see him in this production.