

Name: _____

William Grant Still

Answer each questions in the form of a complete sentence.

1. What issue complicated William Grant Still's success in classical music?
2. What was Still's heritage?
3. What form of music did Still fall in love with first?
4. What instrument did Still first learn to play?
5. Still's mother did not want him to be a musician. What college did he attend and what did he study?
6. How was Still involved with music during his college years?
7. What genre of music did Still begin his musical career in?
8. In 1916, Still worked with a significant musician named _____.
9. According to Still's daughter, what composer borrowed a tune from Still?
10. Why did Still pursue a career in classical music?

11. List 2 people Still studied with.

12. List 3 operas written by Still.

13. What is the name of Still's first symphony?

14. Still was the first African American to _____.

15. *Why did Still have to get married in Mexico?*

16. Why did the critics decide to give Still several bad reviews?

17. How did Still make money after he received several bad reviews?

18. How many pieces did Still compose in his lifetime?

19. How many operas did Still write? ballets? symphonies?

20. What is the name of Still's daughter.