

Jazz Prolific Performer Assignment

Student Name: _____

Artist chosen: _____

Use the following sites:

www.pbs.org/jazz Go to biographies and find the name you selected from the attached list. Musical samples for listening are listed on many of the artists' pages along with their biographies.

www.jazzinamerica.org Alphabetical listings. Recording samples also available per artist.

~~ALL About~~ jazz.com Lots of info, no sample recordings.

1. Writing portion. Rewrite the biography in your own words. Get to the important points including how they got started, who influenced them, with what other artists or groups did they perform, etc. (75 pnts.)
2. Listening portion. Do this early enough to listen to your piece many times so that you can complete the imitation portion confidently. Visit Youtube or any other site that has a recording of your artist or download to your device one of the samples from the sites listed above. Write down the site for us to listen to in class or bring your own recording on your device for us to listen to. (10 pnts.)
3. Imitation portion. Imitate a small portion of your artists solo, improvisation and/or theme or riff. Do this in class with your instrument. (15 pnts.)

Due date: _____