Burkholder/Grout/Palisca, Eighth Edition, Chapter 2

Chapter 2 The Christian Church in the First Millennium

- 1. (22) How is the history of music in medieval Europe intertwined with the history of the Christian church?
- 2. (23) What was the deal about Christianity before 313?
- 3. What did the Edict of Milan do?
- 4. What happened in 392?
- 5. What's the connection between Christian observances and Jewish traditions?
- 6. Briefly describe the difference between temple rites and the synagogue services.
- 7. (24) What is a cantillation?
- 8. What's the connection between Christianity and Judaism?
- 9. What is a basilica?
- 10. (25) Who were the church fathers and what role did they play?
- 11. Why did they allow music?
- 12. What was the position of instrumental music?

- 13. What happened in 395, 476, 1054, 1453?
- 14. (26) SR: Who was Egeria? What texts were sung? Any ethos going on? What service was it?
- 15. What is the language of the Catholic Church? Byzantine? TQ: Old Testament? New Testament?
- 16. Explain rite, church calendar, liturgy, chant (plainchant), chant dialects.
- 17. (27) SR: What two things did singing of psalms accomplish for St. Basil?
- 18. SR: What was Augustine's dilemma and justification?
- 19. (28) What were the musical elements in the Byzantine church?
- 20. What is an echos?
- 21. When did notation become available in the Byzantine church?

What is centonization? Answer: Melodic formulas. This term disappeared with the 8th edition.

22. What are the different kinds of chant and in what region were they in use? (That reminds me, *use* also means "a liturgy having modification peculiar to a local church or religious order." It's like *rite*.)

- 23. (29) In what century did the liturgy in Europe become standardized? What is the name given to that chant?
- 24. What is a schola cantorum?
- 25. (30) TQ: Holy Roman emperor?
- 26. Who is Gregorian chant attributed to? TQ: Why?
- 27. (31) What is the date of Old Roman chant? Who does it differ from Gregorian?
- 28. (32) What is oral transmission?
- 29. (33) When did notation begin?
- 30. TQ: Example 2.1. What are the slurs? (Hint: The answer is in Example 2.3, which is a transcription of Example 2.2.) Where is the centonization? (Even though that term is illegal now.)
- 31. What is the purpose of notation?
- 32. What are the signs called in early notation? What did they tell—and not tell—the performer?
- 33. (35) The next stage was _____ or _____ neumes.
- 34. Why did F and C become clefs?
- 35. Did notation completely replace memorization?
- 36. What about rhythm indications?
- Who codified chant approved by the Catholic Church?
 Benedictine monks of the Abbey of Solesmes, Dom André Mocquereau, France, 1903

- 38. What is the performance practice? TQ: Is that the definitive practice?
- 39. (36) In what year was the chant approved?
- 40. TQ: What clef is used in Example 2.2? Example 2.3? Both are transcriptions of the facsimiles on page 34.
- Gone from the 8th edition is *composite neume*, a grouping of neumes, which is also known as a *ligature*.
- 41. (37) What is an oblique neume? Fact: An oblique neume is only the angled rhomboid and it's two distinct notes (not three as the textbook states), not a portamento. The composite neume shown is a "porrectus" Fact: It's a liquescent neume that has the "small notes." Fact: The last symbol on each staff that looks something like a checkmark is called a "custos" (Latin guide) and indicates the first pitch of the next staff.
- 42. What does a quilisma do?
- 43. (38) SR: What is the "workshop" called? TQ: What's the relationship between *scriptoria* and *scriptorium*?
- 44. SR: What's the paper for a book called? What's the paper made of? How do deer figure into the process?
- 45. SR: TQ: What are the decorative pictures properly called?
- 46. (39) What is the meaning of the following according to the Solesmes monks? dot –
 - l - a. b. c. * ij –

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- 47. (39) How many of each are found in Example 2.2? dot –
 - l a. b. c. *_ ij –
- Fact: The little vertical ticks under notes indicate the ictus. Fact: The accents on the Latin text indicate the stressed syllable.
- 48. Which two authors were important in summarizing music theory and philosophy of the ancient world?
- 49. What are the *trivium* and *quadrivium*?
- 3 paths verbal arts (grammar); dialectic (discussion and reasoning by dialogue as a method of intellectual investigation); rhetoric (the art of speaking effectively)
- 50. Who was the most influential authority on music in the Middle Ages? (Last name is sufficient.)
- 51. What is the name of his treatise?
- 52. In two or three words, what was the source of Boethius' writings?

(40) What is a monochord? Answer: A string stretched over a long wooden resonator with a movable bridge to vary the sounding length of the string. Disappeared with 8th edition.

- 53. What are Boethius' three divisions of music? Briefly explain each.
- 54. TQ: Will you become a "true musician" this year?
- 55. Practical Theory. Name the two most important treatises. Author? Date?
- 56. TQ: Describe a treatise "in dialog form."

- 57. Who is the author and what is the name of the treatise that presents a more practical approach to music theory?
- 58. TQ: Why would a medieval treatise begin with a Boethius section?
- 59. (41) The ____ modes were completed by the ____ century.
- 60. The three factors that identify a mode are _____, ____, and _____.
- 61. And are divided between _____ and
- 62. Figure out the rules Modes 1 and 2 end on ____; 3 and 4, ____; 5 and 6, ____; 7 and 8 ____.

The modes have an _____ range with one note on either side.

The even-numbered modes start a _____ below the corresponding odd-numbered mode.

The tenor for an odd-numbered mode is a _____ above the final; for the even-numbered mode the tenor is a ______ lower than the corresponding mode. The only exception is when the tenor is on the pitch _____.

- 63. The one chromatic alteration was what note?
- 64. (43) What is a tonary?
- 65. Comment on "Many [chants] existed before the theory was developed, and some of them do not fit gracefully in any mode."
- 66. When were the modes codified? What are the two differences?

- 67. Medieval theory was based on _____, ____, and _____. Greek theory was based on _____, and _____.
- 68. Greek scales _____, medieval scales _____.
- 69. (44) What are the six syllables that Guido adopted? How did he decide on those particular syllables and not others?
- 70. What is the generic name for this syllable system?
- 71. TQ: The hexachord replaced the _____.
- 72. How many different hexachords are there?
- 73. Do you understand b quadrum, b rotundum, and which hexachords are hard (durum) or soft (molle)?
- 74. What is the theoretical range of medieval music? TQ: How does this compare with the Greater Perfect System?
- 75. How many hexachords are within the medieval range?7
- 76. TQ: Does this system allow for pitch designation?
- 77. (45) Changing the hexachord while singing a song using syllables is called what?
- 78. What is the name of the pedagogical tool used to teach solmization? What is the fancy word for pedagogical?