

# Johann Sebastian Bach



## Important Facts to Know About Johann Sebastian Bach

**Born:** 1685 in Germany

**Died:** 1750

**Period of Music:** Baroque

**Instrument(s) He Played:** Organ, harpsichord, clavichord, violin

**Major Compositions:**

Harpsichord: *Little Book for the Keyboard*, *The Well-Tempered Clavier*, Books 1 and 2

Organ: *Tocatta and Fugue in D Minor*

Orchestra: *Brandenburg Concertos*

Choral: *Christmas Oratorio*, *St. Matthew Passion*

**Interesting Facts:** Bach taught many of his 20 children to play musical instruments. He composed the *Little Book for the Keyboard* for his nine-year-old son, Wilhelm Friedemann.

**Suggested Listening:** *Invention in A Minor*

Bach portrait by von Carl Jäger

# Scarlatti Scramble

Unscramble the letters to spell the words that complete each sentence.

1. Domenico Scarlatti was born in Naples, \_\_\_\_\_ (**ALITY**), in 1685, the same year that \_\_\_\_\_ (**CAHB**) and \_\_\_\_\_ (**DALHEN**) were born in Germany.
2. Alessandro Scarlatti, his father, was widely known as a composer of \_\_\_\_\_ (**APER0**), while Domenico's most important musical contributions were his keyboard \_\_\_\_\_ (**TASSONA**).
3. Domenico Scarlatti became good friends with another great composer, \_\_\_\_\_ (**LAHEND**), while he was in Venice.
4. Domenico Scarlatti was a virtuoso on the \_\_\_\_\_ (**RISCHAPDORH**).
5. He became the teacher of \_\_\_\_\_ (**SENCRISP**) \_\_\_\_\_ (**RAIMA**) \_\_\_\_\_ (**ARABBAR**), and when she married the Spanish crown prince, he followed her to \_\_\_\_\_ (**APSIN**).
6. One of his most famous keyboard pieces, a fugue, was inspired by his \_\_\_\_\_ (**ACT**).
7. Domenico Scarlatti was one of the great composers of the \_\_\_\_\_ (**QUOBEAR**) period in music.

