

# LIVE PERFORMANCE REVIEW

You will be required to turn in one Live Performance Review for each semester. Your review is due one week before each semester ends.

To complete this review, you must first attend a live performance *that you did not participate in*. If you cannot attend a live performance, *FOUR* reviews of appropriate online performances are acceptable.

Examples of live performances include the following: A concert (*any kind - concert band, choir, rock band, jazz band, country, orchestra, etc.*), a musical, or a contest (*such as a marching band contest*). Other performances may apply, *but require approval before you do the review*.

Examples of online (such as YouTube) reviews must be either concert bands, marching bands, drum & bugle corps, soloists or ensembles on your instrument (*for instance, a brass ensemble, a woodwind quartet, a marimba ensemble, etc.*). You may not write up any other type of performances for online reviews.

Your review must include the following information:

- Your name and class period.
- Date of event.
- Location of event (for an online review, *you must list the entire url address* so we can share it later).
- Type of performance.
- Name of the group or person performing.
- What music was played (look at the program), and if listed, the composers or arrangers.
- What you liked most about the performance.
- What did you hear or see in the performance that you would like to emulate in your own performances?
- Was there anything that would have made the performance more enjoyable for you? If not, what something you enjoyed least in the performance, or would not want to do.
- Tell why you would, or would not recommend that your friends see this performance.

Use one regular sheet of notebook paper for your review. Typed & printed reviews are great, too! You may write your review in short answers, or as a narrative (see examples shown on the back of this sheet). ***All answers must be in complete sentences with correct spelling. Make sure you include all the information listed above. If handwritten, please print neatly.***

# SAMPLES

Short Answer version:

John Student, Period 4

The concert I went to was on December 15, 2015. The concert was at our school. This was a choir concert, and our Advanced and Beginning Choirs performed. They sang many songs, including "Silent Night", "Winter Wonderland", "Frosty the Snowman", and "African Noel". There was no program, so I do not know the composers. What I liked most about the concert was the candle light they used at the end. I also thought the background music was interesting. Most of the groups sang very strongly, and looked like they were having a good time. I'd like to do that in my own performances. Something I enjoyed least was that some of the performers kept talking to each other during songs, and didn't really look like they knew all the words. I would recommend to my friends to go and see a choir concert, because it was fun, and only lasted an hour.

Narrative version.

John Student, Period 4

On Tuesday, December 15, 2015, I attended our school's choir concert, which was held in our school's gym. The concert started with the Beginning Choir singing "African Noel". I liked this song, because they also used some percussion instruments on it. Next, they sang "Frosty the Snowman". The Advanced Choir came out next and sang "Winter Wonderland". I liked this song, but what I didn't like was that some of the singers just kept talking to each other during the song, and didn't seem to know the words. That was distracting! One thing I did like though, was that the performers who were singing sang very confidently and looked like they enjoyed it. That's something I'd like to do in my own performances. The last song they sang was my favorite, "Silent Night", because they each passed a candle and lit it during the song. Overall, it was a fun show, and only lasted an hour, so I would recommend it to my friends.