

Read the passage and answer the questions that follow.

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Are you looking for new classical pieces to listen to, such as waltzes, chamber music, ballet music, and more? Well, if so, then lucky for you, because I have the perfect composer for you - Maurice Ravel! Ravel was a French composer and pianist. His full name is Joseph Maurice Ravel. Ravel was born on March 7th, 1875, and died on December 28th, 1937. He studied piano and composition at the Paris Conservatoire, and had learned piano from Gabriel Fauré. Ravel wrote many of his famous works in a city called Montfort-l'Amaury. One of his earliest projects as a student was the opera Shéhérazade. In his later life, he was showing early signs of the brain illness that prevented him composing for his final four years.

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