

louis armstrong



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IMPORTANT FACTS TO KNOW ABOUT LOUIS “SATCHMO” ARMSTRONG

Born:	August 4, 1901, New Orleans, Louisiana
Died:	July 6, 1971, Queens, New York
Period/Style of Jazz:	New Orleans Jazz
Instrument:	Cornet, trumpet, and vocalist
Major Recordings:	<i>West End Blues</i> , <i>Struttin' With Some Barbeque</i>
Interesting Facts:	Louis Armstrong's technical abilities on the trumpet set the standard for all trumpet players that followed. He was the first true jazz improviser. Armstrong was also known for his deep, gravelly voice.
Suggested Listening:	<i>West End Blues</i> , <i>What a Wonderful World</i>

armstrong word search

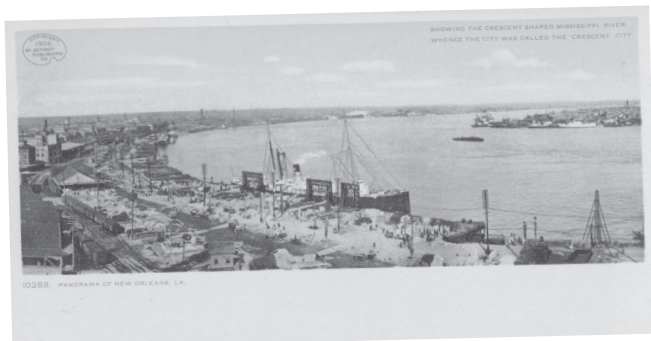


Look down, across, backward and diagonally to find the words that will complete the sentences below. Circle the words.

R	G	N	I	G	N	I	S	T	A	C	S
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N	E	W	O	R	L	E	A	N	S	R	S
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1. In 1901, Louis Armstrong was born in _____, Louisiana.
2. Louis Armstrong first played the _____.
3. When Louis was released from reform school, he joined a band led by _____.
4. When Louis Armstrong left New Orleans, he moved to _____.
5. Louis Armstrong's nickname:_____.
6. The names of Louis Armstrong's bands in the early 1920s:_____ and _____.
7. A kind of singing that involves the use of nonsense syllables:_____.

Vintage postcards of New Orleans



james p. johnson

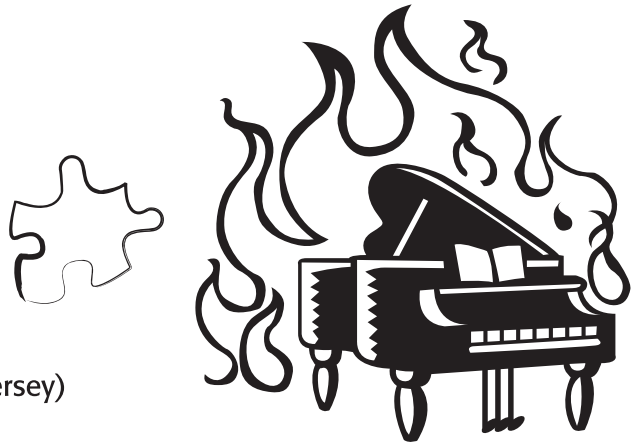


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IMPORTANT FACTS TO KNOW ABOUT JAMES P. JOHNSON

Born:	February 1, 1894, New Brunswick, New Jersey
Died:	November 17, 1955, New York, New York
Period/Style of Jazz:	Stride
Instrument:	Piano, composer and bandleader
Major Compositions:	<i>Carolina Shout, Charleston, Running Wild</i>
Interesting Facts:	Johnson collaborated with poet Langston Hughes on a composition called "De Organizer," first performed in 1940. This piece combined spoken word with jazz music!
Suggested Listening:	<i>Carolina Shout</i>

johnson puzzler



Draw a line through the incorrect answers.

1. James P. Johnson was born in
(New York, New York; New Brunswick, New Jersey)
2. Johnson was known as the
("king of ragtime," "father of stride").
3. A virtuoso, Johnson recorded over (20 piano rolls, 100 piano rolls).
4. Johnson was also a (classically trained pianist, classically trained violinist).
5. One of Johnson's most famous compositions was ("Carolina Moon,"
"Charleston" from the musical *Running Wild*).
6. ("New Orleans Shout," "Carolina Shout") is a composition by Johnson and is considered
to be the first recorded jazz solo.

An excerpt from Johnson's stride composition "Carolina Shout"

Fast jump

LH mf

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A G D/F# Em G7/D

C D7/F# G F#7