

**Texas Music Teachers Association**  
**Publication Contest Topics**  
**2021-2022**

Choose ONE out of the two choices for your grade level.

**Grades 1 and 2:** *(75 - 300 words)*

**IA** – Music and Emotions

**IB** – The Harpsichord

**Grades 3 and 4:** *(250 - 550 words)*

**IIA** – Music in our Natural World

**IIB** – Gamelan

**Grades 5 and 6:** *(400 - 650 words)*

**IIIA** – Music and Sports

**IIIB** – Frederic Chopin and his influence

**Grades 7 and 8:** *(500 – 750 words)*

**IVA** – Is Music a Universal Language?

**IVB** – Alexander Scriabin

**Grades 9 and 10:** *(600 – 850 words)*

**VA** – Music and Physical Health

**VB** – The Rise of Orchestral Music in the 19th Century

**Grades 11 and 12:** *(700 – 950 words)*

**VIA** – Music and Fashion

**VIB** – Italian vs. German Opera in the 19th Century

**Post-12<sup>th</sup>:** *(750 – 1050 words)*

**VII** – Music and Minimalism

**Creative Video Contest Topic:** The Benefits of Music Education