

Bach



Inspired by Michele of Florida

Reading:

Johann Sebastian Bach was born in **1685**.

He was a **German composer** of the **Baroque** era.

The Mass in B Minor is a piece by Bach.

He played the organ, harpsicord, and violin.

Conversation Exercise:

Answer these questions:

Where was Bach born?

Germany

How many children did he have?

20 Children

**What is the literal meaning
of the name “Bach?”**

Stream or brook

***“Not a brook, but an ocean
he should be called.”***

-Ludwig van Beethoven

Bonus Reading:

The Goldberg Variations is a **musical** composition for keyboard by **Bach**. It consists of a simple **aria** and

a set of **thirty** variations.
According to Bach's first
biographer, **Johann
Nikolaus Forkel**, Bach was
asked to compose some
smooth and **lively** keyboard
pieces that his private
**harpsichordist, Johann
Goldberg**, could play during
his **restless** nights.

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