1  ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN YOUR OWN WORDS.

Where and when was Ludwig van Beethoven born? ____________________________________________

Who was his first music teacher and how was he to him? ______________________________________

Why did Beethoven have to go back to Germany? _____________________________________________

Why was Vienna such an interesting place for musicians? _________________________________________

Who else lived in Vienna at that time? _______________________________________________________

What did the people of Vienna think of Beethoven? _____________________________________________

Which illness did he get in the late 1790s? _________________________________________________

What was Beethoven’s later works like? _____________________________________________________

How many symphonies did he write? ________________________________________________________

What other music did he compose? __________________________________________________________

How did Beethoven live after he had become completely deaf? _________________________________

What are string quartets? _________________________________________________________________

When did Ludwig van Beethoven die? _______________________________________________________

2  EXPLAIN IN ENGLISH

sonata ________________________________________________________________

funeral ________________________________________________________________

assistant organist ______________________________________________________

composer ______________________________________________________________

genius ________________________________________________________________

citizen _______________________________________________________________
3  PUT THE PARAGRAPH INTO THE CORRECT ORDER

hearing badly. This was a big crisis in his life. However, in
joy and pain in his symphonies, sonatas and other
deaf. He started to write longer and more complicated
1 The late 1790s changed Beethoven’s life. He started to
came to his funeral. He was a great composer.
this period, he composed his greatest works. He showed
pieces of music. By 1820, Beethoven was completely
works. When he died in 1827 in Vienna many people

4  CORRECT THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES

Beethoven’s father and mother were musicians.
He came back home to Cologne because his father had died.
In Vienna he got money from Mozart and Haydn.
The Viennese like Beethoven because he was so nicely dressed.
In the late 1790s Beethoven had become completely deaf.
After 1820 he started to give more and more concerts.
Beethoven’s Fifth Symphony was his last.
Only a few people came to his funeral because he wasn’t so well known in Vienna.