

Stevie Wonder: Video Questions

Address the questions below using complete sentences and your own words. You don't need to write more than a sentence or two per question.

Questions

According to Stevie Wonder, what did using a synthesizer allow him to do?

According to critic Tom Moon, why was the material potentially stronger on Talking Book when compared to his earlier (Motown records) work?

What reasons did Stevie Wonder give for writing Talking Book?

Instruments Puzzle

After watching the Stevie Wonder video, use the words from the Word Bank to solve the puzzles below.

- 1) West African instrument _____
- 2) Instrument he began learning at age six _____
- 3) Relatively new instrument that enabled Wonder to create many different sounds _____
- 4) Electronic keyboard instrument with strings inside _____
- 5) First instrument he played _____
- 6) Instrument heard on "You and I" which he was playing at age ten

Electric Piano: Wonder plays a Fender Rhodes Piano throughout the album which consists of a keyboard, internal hammer action, and steel wires and bars that are struck and amplified electronically.

Drums
Piano

Synthesizer
Talking Drum

Clavinet
Harmonica