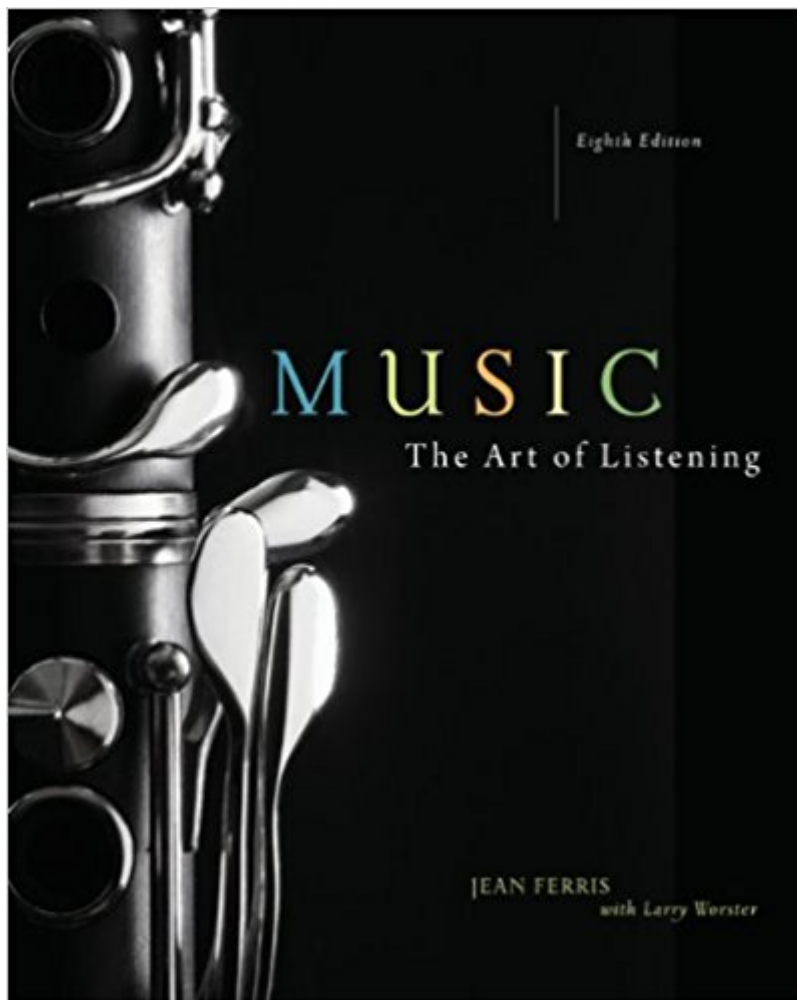


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# Music: The Art Of Listening



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After receiving her MA in Music History and Literature at Arizona State University, Jean Ferris taught Music History and Appreciation at ASU. In addition to her work at the University, she has been involved with the music community by serving as a church choir director, singing with the Phoenix Symphony Chorale, playing the organ, and touring to Japan with her high school handbell choir--apparently the first handbell choir to perform in that country. Ferris is the author of two books: Music: The Art of Listening and America's Musical Landscape. Larry Worster (B.S., St. Lawrence University; B.A., University of Colorado at Boulder; M.M. University of Colorado at Boulder; Ph.D., University of Colorado at Boulder) is a Professor of Music at Metropolitan State College of Denver. He taught previously at the University of Colorado, Regis College, and Denver University. He performed for ten years (1984-94) in the Irish folk ensemble Colcannon. Dr. Worster has been active in the leadership of the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the College Music Society, the Society for

American Music, and the Board of Directors of the Boulder Bach Festival. He is the author of Cecil Effinger: A Colorado Composer published in 1997 by Scarecrow Press. He has published articles in the American Music Research Center Journal and the Sonneck Society Bulletin and presented papers at conferences of the American Musicological Society, Sonneck Society, and the College Music Society. His ChartCreator software is published as shareware at [www.chartcreator.com](http://www.chartcreator.com). Six customized sets of ChartPlayer software for the support of general studies music textbooks have been published by McGraw-Hill.

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Great book for school. Came in on time and was not damaged.

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