

Comprehension Check

Answer the questions below

1. Who ordered the construction of the Opera?
Napoleon III ordered the construction of The Opera House.
2. What are its various architectural styles?
The building has various architectural styles, Renaissance, Baroque and Classical.
3. What was the purpose of the large ramp on the West side of the Opera?
The large ramp was put there so that the emperor could drive directly into the main hall of the Opera.
4. Why was the completion of the Opera delayed?
Because of , a war in 1870 and in 1873 a fire that delayed the work.
5. Who designed the Opera?
Charles Garnier was chosen to design the Opera.
6. What was the purpose of the underground lake?
The underground lake was created to make the foundation of the Opera safe.
7. What are the four allegorical groups on the façade?
The allegorical groups are Music, lyric, Poetry, lyric drama and Dance.



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