Mr. Holland’s Opus Worksheet

The following questions will be answered in the film “Mr. Holland’s Opus” Please watch closely and answer the questions the best you can.

1) What career did Glenn Holland want to pursue?

2) List two things Mr. Holland could have done better on the first day of school.

3) What jazz musician did the Holland’s name their son after?

4) List two ways Mr. Holland helps drummer Lou Russ to feel the beat.

5) What was Mr. Holland trying to get Stadler to “appreciate” bout music by taking him to Lou Russ’ funeral?

6) List four events that reshaped Mr. Holland’s attitude about teaching

7) Describe how the movie’s ending helps Mr. Holland realize his goals of composing and teaching.

8) This film is about a time where music and fine arts programs like it were being cut from the schools. Please give your opinion on whether or not you think this is still an issue in today’s society and also if you feel it is important or not important to have fine arts (music, art, dance ect.) in the school structure. (you make use the back of this paper for more space)