Assessment Schedule - 2019

Music: Demonstrate knowledge of conventions in a range of music scores (91276)

Assessment Criteria

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence	
Demonstrating knowledge of conventions in a range of music scores involves:	Demonstrating in-depth knowledge of conventions in a range of music scores involves:	Demonstrating comprehensive knowledge of conventions in a range of music scores involves:	
identifying and describing terms and signs and performance markings	explaining how terms and signs and performance markings are played	 applying terms and signs and performance markings to music scores 	
 identifying and describing aspects of pitch / tonality by naming (e.g.): keys intervals (quantity only) chords 	 explaining characteristics of pitch / tonality, by giving evidence of (e.g.): keys and modulation intervals (quality and quantity) chord notation 	 applying knowledge of pitch / tonality by notation or analysis of (e.g.): transposition transcription chord progressions 	
identifying and describing other musical elements and features.	explaining the use of other musical elements and features.	applying knowledge through the analysis of the effect of other musical elements and features on the performance and sound of the music.	

Guidelines for applying the Assessment Schedule

"Top-down" marking

With some exceptions, rather than specifying that a particular task offers an opportunity for the candidate to meet the standard at Achievement level only, or Merit level only, the tasks in the examination are designed to allow the candidate to meet the standard at any level of Achievement. Each response should therefore be marked from "top down" – that is, evidence for meeting the standard at Excellence should first be sought, then, if necessary, evidence for Merit, and then evidence for Achievement.

Qualitative Assessment

In the Evidence Statements, the steps up from Achievement \rightarrow Merit \rightarrow Excellence are intended to be qualitative, rather than quantitative – that is, rather than a higher grade requiring "more of the same" type of evidence as the grade(s) below, it should require demonstration of appreciably greater skill, as specified in the Assessment Criteria.

Cut Scores

Not Achieved	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence	
0 – 8	9 – 13	14 – 19	20 – 24	

Evidence

Question	Sample Evidence	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence				
ONE	Unaccompanied Choir							
(a) (i) (ii)	Tonality / Key: Eb major the key signature has three flats Eb pedal note in the bass in	Identifies the home key	Identifies the home key, including ONE piece of evidence to support the identification	Identifies the home key, including TWO pieces of evidence to support the identification				
	bars 1–2	AND	AND	AND				
	(both) phrases begin with Eb major / tonic chord second phrase ends with	Identifies THREE (of 6) chords.	Identifies THREE (of 6) chords, including ONE	Identifies FIVE (of 6) chords, including BOTH inversions				
	Bb major (dominant 7th).		inversion OR the 7th.	AND the 7th.				
	There are 6 chords (including 5 di			7th) to be identified. Cm/Eb DØ/F Bb7 i - a 'i - mo-a,				
(b)	Manipulation of melodic material: • see below.	Demonstrates knowledge by transcribing:	Demonstrates in- depth knowledge by transcribing, with allowance for ONE error:	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge by transcribing ALL of:				
		• the notes of the soprano part in bars 20–21.	the notes of the soprano part in bars 20–21	the notes of the soprano part in bars 20–21				
			• the lyrics	the lyrics				
			AND ONE of:the notes of the tenor part in bars 17–18	the notes of the tenor part in bars 17–18				
			• the notes of the tenor part in bars 20–21.	• the notes of the tenor part in bars 20–21.				
	Soprano Pu	- si no - fo,	No - fo i la	ı-ga o le fa - la				
	Alto	si no - fo,	No - fo i lu	ı-ga o le fa - la,				
	Tenor Pu - si no - fo	,	No - fo i la	1-ga o le fa - la,				
	Bass Pu - si no - fo,	No - fo i lu -	ga o le fa - la,	7 B				

Question	Sample Evidence	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
One (c)	the extract begins with an imitative / polyphonic texture with the tenor and bass parts in unison and the soprano and alto parts in unison creating a canon/ an antiphonal effect/call and response effect from bar 20 the texture is homophonic with the melody in the soprano part and the alto and tenor parts providing chordal harmony. Other responses possible.	Identifies ONE texture used in the passage.	Explains how ONE texture is used, including underlined-type evidence.	Analyses the use of BOTH textures, including one piece of bold -type evidence.
(d)	Comparison of the two extracts: • Similarities - the melodic line is the same in the soprano part - the notes are the same in tenor and bass parts in the final two bars - the words are the same and the rhythm is (effectively) the same, providing a thematic link between the passages.	Identifies ONE similarity and ONE difference.	Explains ONE similarity and ONE difference, including underlined-type evidence.	Analyses the effect of ONE similarity and ONE difference, including bold -type evidence.
	Differences: the harmony is different in the middle of the texture and in the final bar and half / the harmony in the second passage is dissonant rather than consonant all parts have a crotchet rest in bar 2 of the second passage instead of a dotted crotchet; the sound is sustained instead of there being a break; the melody of the bass part smoothly links the first two bars and the second two. Other responses possible.			

N1	N2	А3	A4	M5	М6	E7	E8
Partial evidence from ONE opportunity (of four) at any level.	ONE opportunity (of four) at any level.	TWO (of four) Achievement opportunities.	THREE (of four) Achievement opportunities.	TWO (of four) Merit opportunities.	THREE (of four) Merit opportunities.	TWO (of four) Excellence opportunities.	THREE (of four) Excellence opportunities.

Question	Sample Evidence	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence			
TWO	Solo Guitar						
(a)	Performance markings: • see below. Other responses possible (e.g. bpm for tempo marking; "rit." for "rall.")	Demonstrates knowledge of conventions by indicating, with allowance for ONE error:	Demonstrates in- depth knowledge of conventions by indicating:	Demonstrates comprehensive knowledge of conventions by indicating:			
		tempo and dynamic markings.	tempo and dynamic markings the arpeggio OR the accent markings.	all performance markings.			
	Guitar Gu						
(b) (i)	Interval identification: (1) perfect octave (2) perfect 5th (3) minor 2nd (4) minor 3rd.	Identifies the quantity of FOUR (of 4) intervals.	Specifies the quality and quantity of FOUR (of 4) intervals.	Specifies the quality and quantity of FOUR (of 4) intervals			
(ii)	Interval notation:			AND Applies knowledge of intervals by notating the specified pitches.			
(c)	Transcription from tablature: • see below.	Transcribes part of the passage into notation, including:	Transcribes the passage into notation, including:	Transcribes the passage accurately into notation, including:			
		SIX correct pitches.	SIX correct pitches, and accurate contour of the upper part.	accurate pitches			
				accurate durations			
				two voices (stems up and down).			
	There are 21 notes (11 distinct pitches) to be transcribed.						

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Two (d)	Compositional device: • repetition.	Identifies, and annotates the score to show, the compositional device used in the passage.		
(e) (i) (ii)	Compositional devices: ostinato – taking a motif and repeating it many times sequence – taking a motif and repeating it several times, each at a higher or lower pitch inversion – taking a motif and turning it upside down, so where the original melody goes up, the original goes down, and vice versa. Other responses possible.		Accurately defines the meaning of the selected compositional device.	Applies knowledge of the selected compositional device by creating a musical example.

N1	N2	А3	A4	M5	М6	E7	E8
ONE opportunity (of five) at any level.	TWO (of five) opportunities at any level.	THREE (of four) Achievement opportunities.	FOUR (of four) Achievement opportunities.	THREE (of four) Merit opportunities.	FOUR (of four) Merit opportunities.	TWO (of four) Excellence opportunities.	THREE (of four) Excellence opportunities.

 $\mathbf{N0}$ = No response; no relevant evidence.

Question	Sample Evidence	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
THREE	Chamber Music			
(a)	Compositional devices: • sequence - the melody in the first two bars is repeated in the third and fourth, in an ascending melodic sequence, which creates the sense of build-up	Identifies ONE compositional device used in the passage.	Explains how ONE compositional device is used, including underlined-type evidence.	Analyses the effect of the use of ONE compositional device by including bold -type evidence.
	syncopation			
	- the off-beat rhythm in the right hand of the piano part in bars 150–153 contrasts with the melody and creates a sense of momentum / excitement			
	contrary motion			
	the two hands of the piano part in bars 150–153 are moving apart, which creates the sense of build-			
	uprepetition			
	- in the flute and violin parts in bars 155–156, a 4-note semiquaver figure is repeated, which creates the sense of build-up / anticipation			
	chromatic scale			
	- there is an <u>ascending</u> chromatic scale <u>in the violin</u> and piano parts, which creates the sense of build- up to a climax			
	Other responses possible.			
(b)	Texture: • the extract begins with a homophonic texture with the melody instruments playing in unison octaves, and the piano providing a harmonic accompaniment	Identifies ONE texture used in the passage.	Explains how ONE texture is used, including underlined-type evidence.	Analyses the use of BOTH textures, including ONE piece of bold -type evidence.
	in the final two bars, the texture is monophonic with <u>all instruments playing in unison octaves</u> to provide a strong, definitive ending.			
	Other responses possible.			

Question	Sample Evidence	Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence		
Three (c)	Features of a scherzo: off-beat rhythms in the piano accompaniment give a feeling of syncopation and freedom fast semiquavers in a fast tempo give a feeling of energy and excitement high and low notes / registers used simultaneously in different parts gives an	Identifies ONE musical feature used in the passage.	Explains how ONE musical feature is used including underlined-type evidence.	Analyses how the use of musical features makes the music sound playful, including ONE piece of bold -type evidence.		
	unusual / comical texture. Other responses possible.					
(d)	Transposition: • see below.	Transposes the music into a different key, including TWO of:	Transcribes the music, including:	Transcribes the music, including:		
		correct durations	correct durations	correct durations		
		performance markings	performance markings	performance markings		
			the key signature	the key signature		
		accurate melodic contour.	accurate pitches, excluding those affected by accidentals, with allowance for THREE errors.	accurate pitches.		
	There are 9 distinct pitches to be transcribed (including 2 or 3 with accidentals).					
	Clarinet (concert pitch)					

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Partial evidence from ONE opportunity (of four) at any level.	ONE opportunity (of four) at any level.	TWO (of four) Achievement opportunities.	THREE (of four) Achievement opportunities.	TWO (of four) Merit opportunities.	THREE (of four) Merit opportunities.	TWO (of four) Excellence opportunities.	THREE (of four) Excellence opportunities.

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