

ADVANCED MATRICULATION LEVEL 2023 FIRST SESSION

SUBJECT:	Music
PAPER NUMBER:	I – Part I – Sight Singing & Aural Perception
DATE:	5 th June 2023
TIME:	4:00 p.m. to 4:35 p.m.

EXAMINER'S PAPER

Singing Excerpts for Section 1 (i) – Sight Singing:















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Rhythmic Excerpts for Section 1 (ii) – Clapping:





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Answer **ALL** exercises

SECTION 1 – SIGHT SINGING

- Sing the given short diatonic phrase at sight. The tonic chord followed by the key-note will be played by the examiner from the attached sheet. (5)
- Clap or tap the rhythm of the given short melodic phrase. The melodic phrase will be played TWICE by the examiner from the attached sheet. (5)
 - N.B. The examiner is to fill in the marks awarded to each candidate in the Table below:

Index Number	Ear Test 1 (5 marks)	Ear Test 2 (5 marks)	Total (10 marks)

(Total: 10 marks)

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SECTION 2 – AURAL PERCEPTION

Candidates are requested to:

1. Write down the occasional missing notes with relative time-values, marked by an asterisk * in this passage. The excerpt will be played **FOUR** times.



2. Identify the modulation of this two-part melodic phrase. The excerpt will be played **TWICE** and will be preceded by the tonic chord. A correct description of the modulation is expected; for example: dominant, relative major, etc.



 Write down the missing notes in the spaces marked by an asterisk * in this atonal excerpt. No interval between adjacent notes will exceed the interval of a Perfect 5th. The excerpt will be played **FOUR** times.



(10)

4. Write down the Soprano and Bass parts of the following four-part excerpt. The Alto and Tenor parts are given. The passage in four parts is to be played **FOUR** times.



(10)

(Total: 40 marks)



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CANDIDATE'S PAPER

Answer **ALL** exercises

SECTION 1 – SIGHT SINGING

- Sing the given short diatonic phrase at sight. The tonic chord followed by the key-note will be played. (5)
- Clap or tap the rhythm of the given short melodic phrase. The melodic phrase will be played TWICE. (5)

(Total: 10 marks)

SECTION 2 – AURAL PERCEPTION

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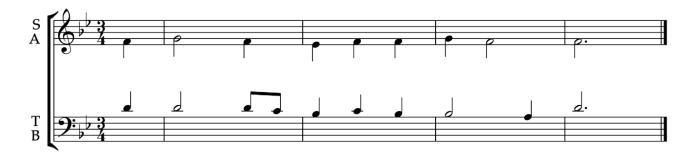
Modulation to: _____ (10)

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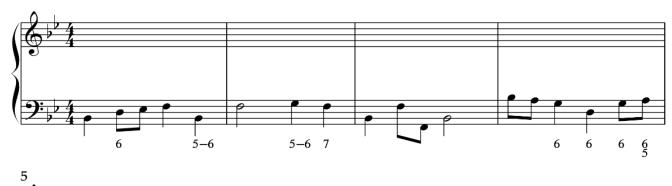
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SUBJECT:	Music
PAPER NUMBER:	I – Part II – Harmony and Counterpoint
DATE:	5 th June 2023
TIME:	After Paper I – Part I (2 hours 5 minutes)

Answer **ALL** questions.

SECTION 1 – COMMON PRACTICE HARMONY

1. Harmonise the given figured bass by adding S.A.T. including use of non-harmonic tones and a modulation to a related key.





(15)

2. Harmonise the given treble part by adding A.T.B. including use of non-harmonic tones as well as an appropriate modulation to a related key. Label the notes correctly.



(15)

(Total: 30 marks)

SECTION 2 – COUNTERPOINT

1. Complete the following passage in 2-part counterpoint in eighteenth-century style.





(15)

2. Complete the following passage in 2-part imitative counterpoint.

J.S.Bach





(15)

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SUBJECT:	Music
PAPER NUMBER:	II – Part I – Oral (History of Music and Analysis)
DATE:	5 th June 2023
TIME:	20 minutes (each candidate)

EXAMINER'S PAPER

The questions in the Examiner's Paper are meant as a guide for the examiner. It is at his/her discretion whether to use these questions/all of them/some of them or to let a discussion develop.

TOPICS:

- 1. Plainchant: development, modes and characteristics
 - Comment on **THREE** characteristics of plainchant;
 - Describe the difference between authentic and plagal modes;
 - Comment on the liturgical movements that make up the 'common'.
- 2. Medieval monophonic music, origins of notations, troubadours
 - Comment on the music of the trouvères and troubadours;
 - Discuss the importance of sacred and secular music in the early Middle Ages;
 - The development of notation brought several benefits in the Middle Ages. Discuss.
- 3. Flowering of polyphony: Ars Nova and the achievements of the Flemish school
 - The Ars Nova of the fourteenth century differed from Ars Antiqua. Discuss;
 - In the Middle Ages the word '*organum'* acquired the special meaning of polyphonic vocal music. Discuss.
- 4. The late Renaissance polyphonic school and later developments
 - Comment on the instrumental music of the Renaissance period, with particular reference to the most popular composers of this era;
 - *Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina* was one of the most influential composers of his day. Discuss.
- 5. Origins of modern instrumental forms: canzona, fantasia, ricercare, toccata, fugue, concerto
 - Outline the main similarities and differences in the following instrumental forms: *toccata*, *fuga* and *concerto*.
- 6. Birth of Opera: Monteverdi, Venetian and Roman Opera, Scarlatti, Neapolitan Opera
 - It is generally said that liturgical music dramas and mystery plays contain the seeds from which opera grew. Discuss;
 - Discuss the main similarities and differences found in Opera Buffa and Opera Seria.

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- 7. Opera Developments: Lully (France), Purcell, (England) and Keiser, (Germany)
 - Between 1690 and 1695, Henry Purcell contributed to more than 40 theatre works. Discuss;
 - Reinhard Keiser wrote 60 operas in his lifetime. Give a brief account of his musical style in the operatic genre.
- 8. Operatic reform Gluck, Calzabigi and successive models
 - Gluck and Calzabigi composed operas with truth, simplicity and naturalness, emphasizing the purely human element. Discuss.
- 9. The Baroque Period: in particular Bach and Handel
 - Comment on both Bach's and Handel's contribution to music.
- 10. The Classical Masters: Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven
 - The music composed by Joseph Haydn are often characterized as light, humorous, and elegant. Discuss;
 - Mozart's and Beethoven's piano sonatas are among the most important works written by these composers in the Classical period. Discuss.
- 11. The Romantic Period: Schubert to Brahms
 - Comment on Schubert's and Brahms' gift for creating beautiful melodies and harmonic colour.
- 12. Italian Opera: Rossini, Bellini, Donizetti, Verdi and Puccini
 - Describe the main developments in Italian opera during the 19th century;
 - An important characteristic of the late 19th-century operas was "verismo". In some of his most popular operas, Puccini achieved a style suitable to the realistic libretto. Discuss.
- 13. Wagner and Music Dramas
 - In his late works, Richard Wagner greatly contributed to the detachment of tonality via the harmonic idiom. Discuss.
- 14. National Schools
 - Comment on the importance of national folk music during the Romantic era, mentioning composers and their most evocative works.
- 15. Musical developments since 1900
 - The distinct nature of the ethnic music of central and Eastern Europe turned into an important source for composers in the 20th century. Discuss.



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SUBJECT:	Music
PAPER NUMBER:	II – Part II – Set Works & Instrumentation
DATE:	9 th June 2023
TIME:	4:00 p.m. to 6:35 p.m.

SECTION 1 – SET WORKS

Answer any **TWO** questions in short-essay form.

- 1. Comment on the overall form and harmonic structure of J.S. Bach *Prelude and Fugue No. II* in *C Minor Book 1*.
- 2. Comment on the distinct melodic themes found in Mozart's *Piano Sonata in B flat Major* 1st *movement, K.333.*
- 3. Schubert's songs reveal a feeling for harmonic colour. Discuss this musical aspect with particular reference to Schubert's Lied *Who is Sylvia? Op. 106, No. 4 (D.891)*.
- 4. Write about the overall form and piano accompaniment figuration found in Franz Schubert's *Der Doppelganger (D.957).*
- 5. Chopin's *Mazurka No. 5 in B flat Major Op. 7, No. 1 and Mazurka No. 6 in A minor Op. 7, No. 2*. are filled with harmonies, rhythms and melodic traits of Polish dance music. Discuss.
- 6. Debussy's orchestration perfectly suits his musical ideas. Comment on this musical aspect with particular reference to Debussy's *Prélude à l'après-midi d'un faune*.
- 7. Atonal music refers to music, that is, not constrained by conventional tonalities. Discuss this musical aspect with reference to Arnold Schoenberg's *Piano Piece Op. 33a*.

(Total: 30 marks)

SECTION 2 – INSTRUMENTATION

Answer **ONE** question.

- 1. In Sergei Prokofiev's *Peter and the Wolf,* the musical themes are associated with instruments to describe characters in the story. Discuss.
- 2. Benjamin Britten's *The Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra* is widely used to familiarize young students with the instruments of the orchestra. Discuss.

(Total: 20 marks)



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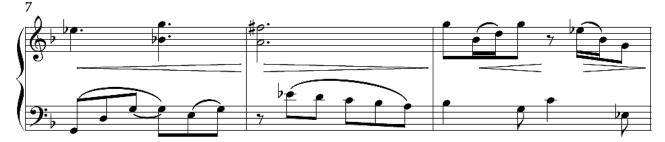
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Sight Reading: Piano/Flute/Trumpet in B flat

Play the following:









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Sight Reading: Flute

Play the following:









Sight Reading: Trumpet in B flat

Play the following:





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CANDIDATES'S PAPER

Choose **ONE** Section only:

SECTION A – PERFORMANCE

You are required to:

- 1. Perform a short recital of **approximately 25 minutes duration**. Choose pieces as indicated in the list of compulsory works in the syllabus and complete the recital with any work of your own choice.
- 2. Take a sight-reading test.
- 3. Sit for an interview related to the pieces performed and/or your musical interests.

OR

SECTION B – COMPOSITION

You are required to:

- 1. Submit a composition with a **minimum duration of 7 minutes**.
- 2. Sit for an interview related to the content of the submitted works and/or your musical interests.

(Total: 60 marks)