ZigZag Practice Exam Papers

Supporting GCSE AQA Music



Music

UNIT 1: Listening to and Appraising Music

Practice Paper 1

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Ins	tructions
_	Answer all questions and use the spaces provided.
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Inf	ormation
	The maximum mark for this paper is 80 .
	You have three minutes to read through the paper before the CD is
	played.
-	There will be suitable pauses for you to read and answer the
	questions.
	You are not required to use full sentences in your answers but may respond using phrases and key words.

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Areas of Study: Rhythm & Metre / Texture & Melody / Timbre & Dynamics / Structure & Form

				lotal for t	his question: / marks
1		This excerpt will be played	three times.		
		You may find it helpful to tic	ck a box each time you	hear the excerpt.	
1	(a)	Name the type of ensemble	heard in this excerpt.		
					(1 mark)
1	(b)	What is the time signature	of the excerpt?		
					(1 mark)
1	(c)	Which one of the following Circle your answer.	terms best describes t	he texture of the opening	bars of the excerpt?
		melody with accompaniment	canonic	octaves	polyphonic
		accompaniment			(1 mark)
1	(d)	Name the ornament heard	in this excerpt.		
					(1 mark)
1	(a)	What musical term best de	scribes the structure o	f this excernt?	
•	(6)				(1 mark)
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1	(f)	Which two of the following Circle two answers.	can be heard in the ba	assline part of the excerp	t?
		pedal	descending	movement	anacrusis
		augmenta	ation	dotted	minims
					(2 marks)

	Total for this question: 5 marks				
2		This excerpt will be playe	d three times.		
		You may find it helpful to	tick a box each time you	hear the excerpt.	
2 ((a)	Name the keyboard instru	ument playing in this exce	erpt.	
			<u></u>		(1 mark)
2 (Which one of the followir Circle your answer.	ng best describes the form	n of this excerpt?	
		through-composed	binary	twelve-bar blues	ternary
					(1 mark)
2 ((c)	Name the rhythmic devic	e used in the melody.		
					(1 mark)
2	(d)	Fill in the following table	with the two missing cho	rds.	
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(2 marks)

		Total fo	or this question: 8 marks
3		You will hear two excerpts.	
		Excerpt A	
		This excerpt will be played three times.	
		You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the excerpt.	
3	(a)	How many bars are there before the voice enters?	
			(1 mark)
3	(b)	What is the playing technique of the guitar?	
			(1 mark)
3	(c)	Name the melodic device heard in the guitar's part.	
			(1 mark)
3	(d)	Name the texture of the excerpt.	
			(1 mark)
		Excerpt B	
		This excerpt will be played three times.	
		You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the excerpt.	
3	(e)	Name one percussion instrument heard in this excerpt.	
	(-)		(1 mark)
3	(f)	Name the playing technique used by the double bass.	
			(1 mark)
3	(g)	Which one of the following intervals is played by the double bass? Circle your answer.	
		second fourth fifth	octave
			(1 mark)
3	(h)	Give the Roman numeral or degree of the scale of the last chord of the	excerpt.
			(1 mark)

Areas of Study: Texture & Melody / Timbre & Dynamics / Harmony & Tonality

			Total for this question: 5 n	narks
4		This excerpt will be played three times.		
		You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the ex	cerpt.	
		Below are the lyrics for the excerpt:		
		Verse 1 (1) When I fall in love I get dizzied. (2) I fall out there's just dirt to dish, (3) a memory to drown me in.		
		Verse 2 (4) Still, can't regret my big scene, (5) though I acted the fool (6) my double became a real has-been.		
4	(a)	Name the texture heard in line 1.		
			(1	mark)
4	(b)	On what word does the electric keyboard enter?		
			(1	mark)
4	(c)	Compare the melody of Verse 1 and Verse 2. Which one of the Tick your answer.	e following statements is true	?
		A It is exactly the same.		
		B It starts the same but then changes.		
		C It starts differently but ends the same.		
		D It is completely different.		
			(1	mark)
4	(d)	Give two ways in which the instrumentation of accompaniment	in Verse 2 contrasts with Ve	rse 1.
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Total for this question: 5 marks 5 This excerpt will be played four times. You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the excerpt. 5 (a) The time signature is 3/4. How many bars are there before the solo instrument enters? (1 mark) 5 (b) What is the tonality of the piece? (1 mark) 5 (c) Name the solo instrument. (1 mark) (d) Which one of the following pitch outlines best fits the melodic pattern of the solo instrument? Tick your answer. (1 mark) 5 (e) Comment on the accompanying instruments, referring to dynamics and how they change when the soloist enters.

(1 mark)

Areas of Study: Texture & Melody / Timbre & Dynamics / Harmony & Tonality

Total for this question: 10 marks

6 This excerpt will be played four times.

You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the excerpt.

6 (a) Name the solo instrument.

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6 (b) What is the tonality of the excerpt?

(1 mark)

6 (c) Which **one** of the following best suits the structure of the excerpt? Circle your answer.

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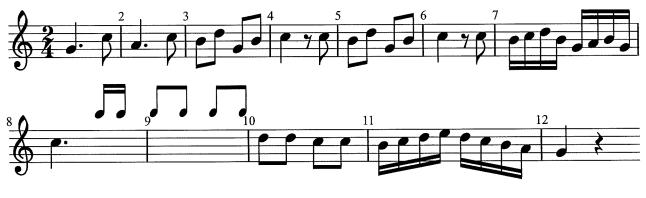
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(1 mark)

6 (d) Name the playing technique of the string instruments.

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6 (e) Below is the skeleton score of the first playing of the soloist's melody. On the score, complete the melody in bars 8–9 using the given rhythm:



(6 marks)

Areas of Study: Timbre & Dynamics / Harmony & Tonality

				Total for this q	uestion: 6 marks
7	This excerpt will be p	layed three times.			
	You may find it helpfu	ul to tick a box eacl	n time you hear the e	excerpt.	
7 (a)	Name the type of voi	ce heard.			
					(1 mark)
7 (b)	Which two terms bes Circle two answers.	st describe the voca	al performance in thi	s excerpt?	
	glissando	syllabic	melismatic	staccato	tremolo
					(2 marks)
7 (c)	Below is the score of the boxes in bars 4 a		e start of the excerp	t. Add the missing d	ynamics marks in
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	$m{p}$	sf p			
					(2 marks)
7 (d)	Name the cadence a	t the end of the ex	cerpt.		
					(1 mark)

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			To	otal for this question: 8 marks
8		This excerpt will be played three ti	mes.	
		You may find it helpful to tick a bo	x each time you hear the excerp	ot.
8	(a)	Which one of the following terms l Circle your answer.	best describes the texture of this	s excerpt?
		monophonic	antiphonal	homophonic
		canonic	polyphonic	imitative
				(1 mark)
8	(b)	What is the time signature of the p	piece?	
	` ,	-		(1 mark)
8	(c)	Name the solo instrument.		
	` ,			(1 mark)
8	(d)	What is the playing technique of the	he solo instrument?	
				(1 mark)
8	(e)	Which one of the following is the circle your answer.	articulation used by the solo ins	trument?
		staccato	legato	accented
				(1 mark)
8	(f)	What is the tonality of the excerpt	?	
				(1 mark)
8	(g)	Describe the melody of this excer	pt.	
				(2 marks)
				(2 marks)

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9	You will hear two excerpts.	
	Excerpt A	
	This excerpt will be played twice.	
	You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the exc	erpt.
9 (a)	What is the time signature of the piece?	
		(1 mark)
9 (b)	There are two guitars playing, a bass guitar and an electric guit of the electric guitar at the start of the excerpt?	ar. What is the playing technique
		(1 mark)
9 (c)	Name two solo instruments heard.	
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	Excerpt B	
	This excerpt will be played three times.	
	You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the exc	erpt.
9 (d)	Which one of the following rhythms can be heard during this e.	ccerpt? Tick your answer.
	A	
	В	
	C	1
9 (e)	This excerpt is in 4/4. Which one of the following metronome man Circle your answer.	ks (bpm) best matches the tempo?
	80 100	120 (1 mark)
0 (6)	Name the family of instruments playing first	,
9 (f)	Name the family of instruments playing first.	/Al-1
		(1 mark)
9 (g)	What is the tonality of this excerpt?	
		(1 mark)

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Total for this question: 6 marks You will hear two excerpts. Each excerpt will be played three times. 10 Comment on each, referring to rhythm, metre, melody and/or structure. **Excerpt A** You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the excerpt. 10 (a) (3 marks) **Excerpt B** You may find it helpful to tick a box each time you hear the excerpt. (3 marks)

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			Total for this question: 6 marks
11	This excerpt will be played three time	es.	
	You may find it helpful to tick a box ea	ach time you hear the exc	erpt.
11 (a)	Name the solo instrument.		
			(1 mark)
11 (b)	What is the metre of the piece?		
			(1 mark)
11 (c)	What is the tonality of the excerpt?		
			(1 mark)
11 (d)	Which three of the following can be horizone three answers.	neard in this excerpt?	
	ritardando	diminution	acciaccatura
	pitch bend	glissando	inversion
			(3 marks)

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Total for this question: 6 marks

You will hear two excerpts, excerpt A and excerpt B. Each will be played three times in this order:

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You may find it helpfu	l to tick a box each	n time you hear the excerpt.
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Α	В	Α	В	Α	В	

	dynamics and/or tonality in each.
	(6 marks)