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## STUDENT NUMBER

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# MUSIC REPERTOIRE PERFORMANCE Aural and written examination 

Monday 13 November 2023

Reading time: 3.00 pm to 3.15 pm ( 15 minutes)
Writing time: 3.15 pm to 4.15 pm (1 hour)

## QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

| Section | Number of <br> questions | Number of questions <br> to be answered | Number of <br> marks |
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| A | 2 | 2 | 20 |
| B | 7 | 7 | 40 |

- Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers.
- Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or correction fluid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.


## Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 12 pages, including blank manuscript for rough work on pages 9 and 10
- An audio recording of musical excerpts for Sections A and B


## Instructions

- Write your student number in the space provided above on this page.
- All your work, including rough work, will be considered for assessment.
- You may write at any time during the playing of the audio recording.
- All written responses must be in English.


## Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.

## SECTION A - Listening and interpretation

## Instructions for Section A

Answer all questions in pen or pencil in the spaces provided.
An audio recording will play continuously throughout Section A.

Question 1 (8 marks)<br>This question relates to an excerpt from the soundtrack recording from the Netflix film<br>Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical.<br>Work: ‘When I Grow Up’<br>Composer/Creator: Tim Minchin<br>Producer: Christopher Nightingale<br>Performers: Rei Yamauchi Fulker, Winter Jarrett Glasspool, Lashana Lynch, Ashton Robertson, Andrei Shen, Alisha Weir, the Cast of Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical<br>Album: Roald Dahl's Matilda the Musical (Soundtrack from the Netflix film) (Masterworks, Sony<br>Music Entertainment, 2022)<br>The excerpt will be played five times. The excerpt will be played three times for part a. and twice more for part $\mathbf{b}$. There will be silent working time after each playing.<br>Due to copyright restrictions, this audio file is not supplied.<br>First playing ( $\left.1^{\prime} 12^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence<br>Second playing $\left(1^{\prime} 12^{\prime \prime}\right)-1$ minute of silence<br>Third playing ( $\left.1^{\prime} 12^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes of silence

a. Describe how the performers use duration and texture to convey musical character in this excerpt.
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Fourth playing ( $\left.1^{\prime} 12^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes of silence
Fifth and final playing $\left(1^{\prime} 12^{\prime \prime}\right)-3$ minutes of silence
b. Discuss how variation is used in this excerpt to express musical ideas.

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Question 2 (12 marks)
This question relates to excerpts from two interpretations of the work 'Nothing Else Matters', composed by James Hetfield and Lars Ulrich.

## Interpretation A

Work: 'Nothing Else Matters’
Performers: Metallica \& the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra
Conductors: Edwin Outwater and Michael Tilson Thomas
Album: S\&M2 (Blackened Recordings, 2020)

## Interpretation B

Work: 'Nothing Else Matters’
Performers: Apocalyptica
Album: Inquisition Symphony (Mercury Records, 1998)
The excerpts will be played three times. There will be silent working time after each playing.
First playing of Interpretation A $\left(0^{\prime} 53^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence
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First playing of Interpretation B $\left(1^{\prime} 00^{\prime \prime}\right)-30$ seconds of silence
Second playing of Interpretation $\mathrm{A}\left(0^{\prime} 53^{\prime \prime}\right)-1$ minute of silence
Second playing of Interpretation B $\left(1^{\prime} 00^{\prime \prime}\right)-2$ minutes of silence
Third and final playing of Interpretation $\mathrm{A}\left(0^{\prime} 53^{\prime \prime}\right)-1$ minute of silence
Third and final playing of Interpretation B $\left(1^{\prime} 00^{\prime \prime}\right)-5$ minutes of silence
Compare the ways in which the two interpretations use three of the following:

- tone colour
- texture
- dynamics
- articulation
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SECTION A - Question 2 - continued

## SECTION B - Music language

## Instructions for Section B

Answer all questions in pencil in the spaces provided.
An audio recording will play continuously throughout Section B.

## Question 3 (2 marks)

Listen to the following two melodies. Each melody will be played twice. There will be silent working time after each playing.

First playing of Melody $1-5$ seconds of silence
Second and final playing of Melody $1-10$ seconds of silence
First playing of Melody $2-5$ seconds of silence
Second and final playing of Melody $2-20$ seconds of silence
Three possible contours for the two melodies, A., B. and C., are provided below.

Question 4 (6 marks)
a. Listen to the following scale or mode. It will be played twice and there will be silent working time after each playing.

First playing -5 seconds of silence
Second and final playing - 10 seconds of silence
Circle the scale and/or mode that is played.
dorian minor pentatonic melodic minor

You will now have three minutes of silent working time to complete part b. and part $\mathbf{c}$.
b. Add the appropriate clef and accidentals to make the following the D major scale.

c. Write a $\mathrm{B} b$ mixolydian mode of one octave ascending, using minims, from the following starting note. You may use accidentals or a key signature.


Question 5 (10 marks)
Listen to the following four-bar melody. The melody will be played five times. A transcription of the melody is printed below; however, the notation is missing for the notes of bar 2 and bar 3. The melody begins on the tonic note of the key. The rhythm of the missing part is given above the stave. A one-bar count-in will precede each playing. There will be silent working time after each playing.

First playing - 20 seconds of silence
Second playing - 20 seconds of silence
Third playing - 30 seconds of silence
Fourth playing - 30 seconds of silence Fifth and final playing - 2 minutes of silence
a. Transcribe the missing notation for bar 2 and bar 3 .

b. Identify the intervals marked by brackets in the melody above.

Bar 1 $\qquad$

Bar 4 $\qquad$
c. Identify the scale or mode of this melody.

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You will now have four minutes of silent working time to complete Questions 6 and 7 .

Question 6 (3 marks)
Write the following intervals using semibreves on the printed staves below.

major 6th above A

perfect 5th above Bb

minor 2 nd above D

Question 7 (4 marks)
Write each triad or 7th chord in the key given, as indicated in the table below. You may use accidentals or a key signature.

| Key | G major | Bb major | D major | F major |
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| Triad or <br> 7th chord | triad built on <br> supertonic (2) | 7th chord built on <br> subdominant (4) | triad built on <br> leading note (7) | 7th chord built on <br> tonic (1) |



## Question 8 ( 7 marks)

Listen to the following chord progression. The chord progression begins on the tonic chord and will be played five times, with silent working time after each playing. Each chord is in root position and the progression ends with a common cadence. The first two chords, chords 5 and 6 and the final two chords are given. A two-bar count-in will precede each playing.

Identify the bass note and the quality of chords 3,4 and 7 in the blank spaces of the harmonic grid below, and identify the common cadence in the space provided.

First playing - 5 seconds of silence
Second playing - 5 seconds of silence
Third playing - 5 seconds of silence
Fourth playing - 10 seconds of silence
Fifth and final playing - 20 seconds of silence

| Harmonic |
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| grid |


| Bass note | $\mathrm{E} b$ | $\mathrm{~B} b$ |  | 2. | 4. | 5. | 6. | 7. | 8. | 9. |
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| Quality | major | dominant <br> 7 th |  |  | Eb | F |  | Eb | Bb |  |

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