

Victorian Certificate of Education 2007

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MUSIC GROUP PERFORMANCE

Aural and written examination

Tuesday 20 November 2007

Reading time: 9.00 am to 9.15 am (15 minutes)

Writing time: 9.15 am to 10.45 am (1 hour 30 minutes)

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOK

Structure of book

Section	Number of questions	Number of questions to be answered	Number of marks
A	6	6	59
В	2	2	22
С	2	1	22
			Total 103

- 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 white out liquid/tape.
- No calculator is allowed in this examination.

Materials supplied

- Question and answer book of 26 pages including blank manuscript paper for rough working on pages 5 and 9. It is **not** a requirement of the examination that students use the blank manuscript paper.
- An audio compact disc will run continuously throughout Section A of the examination. The audio compact disc will run for approximately 47 minutes.

Instructions

- Write your **student number** in the space provided above on this page.
- You may write at any time during the running of the audio compact disc, and after it stops.
- 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.

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SECTION A – Music language and Aural perception

Instructions for Section A

Answer Questions 1 to 5 of Section A in **pencil**. You may use a pen for Question 6.

An audio compact disc containing musical examples will run continuously throughout Section A.

Questions 1 and 3 **do not** contain any audio material. Questions 2, 4, 5 and 6 **do** contain audio material.

Part 1: Intervals, scales and melody

Question 1 – Music language – Scales and intervals

(4 minutes silent working time)

Beginning from the tonic note indicated, **write** the following ascending **scales**. **Identify** the **interval** between **each** consecutive **note**. You may write in **either** treble (G) **or** bass (F) clef.

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Question 2 – Aural perception – Melodic transcription

A four-part score of four bars length is notated below.

On the first stave, two bars of the **flute** part are not notated.

The excerpt will be played **five** times.

A count-in will precede each playing.

Note: The time signature, key signature, and the pitch (but not the duration) of the first note of the two bar segment to be transcribed are given.

Transcribe the melody of the blank two bars of the **flute** part (bars two and three of the first/top stave).



4 + 4 = 8 marks

Blank manuscript for rough working if required.

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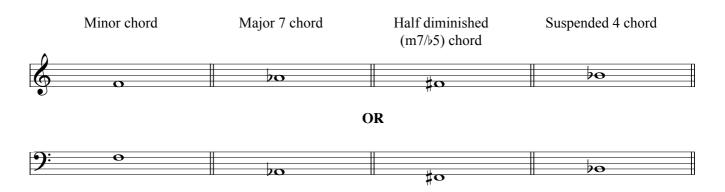
Part 2: Harmony

Question 3 – Music language – Structure of chords

(2 minutes silent working time)

From the tonic notes given, write the chords as indicated below.

You may use either treble (G) or bass (F) clef for your answers.



 $4 \times 1 = 4$ marks

Question 4 - Aural perception - Recognition of a chord progression

A chord progression will be played **five** times.

The bass note of the first chord is given and is printed at the start of the progression. The character/quality/type of the first chord is **not** given; one mark will be awarded for identifying its character/quality/type.

All chords are in **root position** only (that is, there are no inverted chords in the progression).

Note: If you use upper case Roman numerals exclusively, be certain to make clear the quality of the chord.

Chord symbols	Am	<i>C</i> +	Dm	$\mathit{F}^{\Delta_{7}}\!/\mathit{Fmaj7}$	
Roman numerals	i	III +	iv	$VI^{\Delta_7}/VImaj7$	
Harmonic grid					
Bass note	A	C	D	F	
Character/quality/type	minor	augmented	minor	major 7	

The chord progression is one of the following.

I - IV - V - I	i - iv - V7 - i	I maj 7 – V7 – IV maj 7 – I
i – iv – V7 – VI	I - vi - IV - V	i - VI - iv - V
I _ V _ IV mai 7 _ I	i – VI mai 7 – ii dim – V	

Complete **only one** of the three answer spaces below, using the chord terminology with which you are most familiar

The tonic note is **D**.

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1. D	2	3	4	
		OR		
Using Roman num	erals, identify each cho	d completely in the approp	oriately numbered spaces ((1–4).
1. i/I (D)	2	3	4	

Fill in the blank spaces of the harmonic grid with the bass note and character/quality/type of each chord.

OR

Harmonic grid	1.	2.	3.	4.
Bass note	D			
Character/ quality/type				

Part 3: Rhythm

Question 5 – Aural perception – Transcription of rhythms

A short musical excerpt will be played **five** times.

A count-in will precede each playing.

A four-part score with notes missing from **one bar** of the **alto saxophone** part and **one bar** of the **trumpet** part is printed below.

Write the rhythm only into the two blank bars (indicated by the square brackets) of the alto saxophone and trumpet parts.



 $2 \times 4 = 8$ marks

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Part 4: Characteristics of a pre-recorded work

Question 6 - Aural perception and evaluation of the characteristics of a pre-recorded work

A total of eight musical excerpts will be played.

There will be silent working time after each playing.

Excerpts selected from: 'Tomorrow's Gone' by **Motor Ace** on the CD *Animal*.

First playing of the entire excerpt (1' 36") – 30 seconds silence Identify the **structure** of the excerpt. a. 2 marks You will now hear a segment of the excerpt. Describe characteristics of this segment. You may wish to refer to • melody • rhythm • harmony • tonality texture • expressive devices. First playing of a segment of the excerpt (16") – 30 seconds silence Second playing of a segment of the excerpt (16") – 1 minute and 30 seconds silence

You will now hear a se	econd segment of the excerpt. Identify two instruments and describe their roles .
	First playing of a second segment of the excerpt $(16") - 30$ seconds silence
Second pla	aying of a second segment of the excerpt (16") – 2 minutes and 30 seconds silence
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d.	You will now hear the third segment (the remaining parts of the complete excerpt). Describe the differences
	between the two parts of this third segment with reference to any two of the following.

- melody
- rhythm
- tonality
- expressive devices
- texture

In your answer you may wish to use or include a chart or a diagram.

First playing of the third segment of the excerpt $(1'\ 04'') - 30$ sec	conds silence
Second playing of the third segment of the excerpt (1' 04") – 2 minutes and 30 sec	conds silence
Second playing of the entire excerpt (1' 36") – 4 min	nutes silence

SECTION B – Aspects of performance

Instructions for Section B

Answer all parts of Questions 7 and 8 in pen or pencil.

the school, suburb, city or town where the venue is located.

Work 1
Composer(s)/performer(s)
Work 2
Composer(s)/performer(s)
List the instrumentation, including voice(s), of your group or ensemble. (Do not name its membership.
Identify the general style of your group or ensemble (for example: rock group, jazz trio, 'traditional' o'classical' string quintet, and so on).

Question 7 – Aspects of performance – Presentation of and preparation for performance

How did **your** ensemble prepare and perform convincing stylistic performances of **both** of the works that you identified on page 14. In your answer refer to **at least two** of the following.

- allocation and arrangement of parts
- instrumentation
- instrumental technique(s)
- interpretation

Work 1		

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Work 2	

Question 8 – Aspects of performance – Performance environment

To optimise the performance of **one** of the works you identified on page 14, you evaluated the acoustic properties of the performance venue that you identified on page 14.

Describe what **your** ensemble did to ensure effective sound production and/or sound reinforcement for your performance.

In your response you **must** address at least **two** issues. At least **one** of the issues **must** be from the following list.

- seating and/or set-up planning
- instrumental techniques related directly to sound production
- placement of equipment

Issue 1	

Issue 2		

SECTION C – Part-writing OR Improvisation

Instructions for Section C

Choose **either** Question 9 (Part-writing) **or** Question 10 (Improvisation) according to the option selected for study in Unit 4. Answer **all parts** of Question 9 **or all parts** of Question 10 in pen or pencil. **Do not** answer parts of Question 9 and parts of Question 10.

EITHER

Question 9 – Part-writing

- **a.** During Unit 4 you analysed completed arrangements. **Describe** at least **two** characteristics of **one** of the arrangements that you studied. In your answer you **may** wish to refer to the following.
 - melody
 - harmony

Arrangement

- rhythm
- relationship between parts

In your response, make **clear** the characteristics to which you are referring.

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Arrangement technique 2		

OR

Question 10 – Improvisation

- a. During Unit 4 you analysed recorded improvisations. **Describe** at least **two** characteristics of **one** of the improvisations that you studied. In your answer you **may** wish to refer to the following.
 - note selection

Recording __

- melodic development
- rhythmic development
- realisation of stylistic characteristic(s)

In your response, make **clear** the characteristics to which you are referring.

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Fe	ature/characteristic 2
	scuss two performance techniques that you used in realising your improvisation. In your answust refer to at least one of the following.
•	development of rhythmic motifs
•	development of melodic motifs
•	at least two ways you used expressive elements (for example: phrasing, articulation, dyn silence)
In	your response, make clear the techniques to which you are referring.
Pe	rformance technique 1
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Performance technique 2	
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