

Past papers

for graded exams in music theory

November 2013

Grade 6

Theory of Music Grade 6 November 2013



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- 2. Fill in your name and the registration number printed on your appointment slip in the appropriate spaces on this paper, and on any other sheets that you use.
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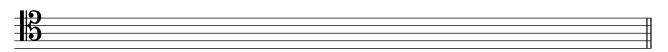
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1.1	What is another word for <i>niente</i> ?	
1.2	State the key of the following:	
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1.3	Which note is a diminished fifth above E?	
1.4	Add appropriate accidentals to the following notes to make the first inversion of the augmented chord built on F#.	
	A C F	
1.5	Above this chord write its chord symbol.	
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1.6	What interval is formed when the following notes are inverted?	
1.7	What is the mediant note of Eb minor?	
1.8	Which of the following was not a Baroque composer?	
	J. S. Bach Handel Schubert	

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2.3 Write the blues scale on A, in semibreves, ascending then descending. Do not use a key signature, but write in the necessary accidentals.



Section 3 (15 marks)

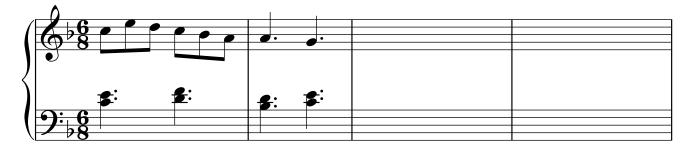
3.1 Write an 8-bar melody in B minor for trumpet at sounding pitch. You may use the following as a start if you wish:

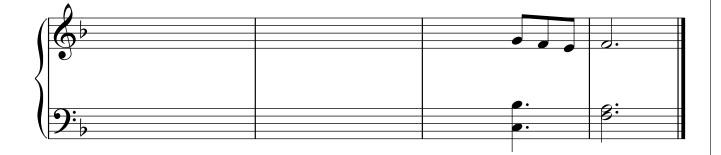




Section 4 (15 marks)

4.1 Make a harmonic sequence by repeating this chord progression one note lower each time to complete the phrase.

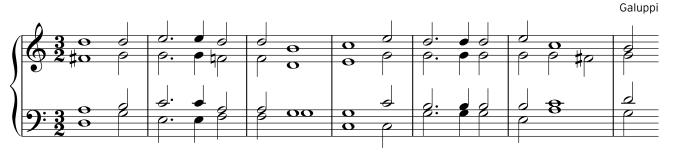




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Section 5 (10 marks)

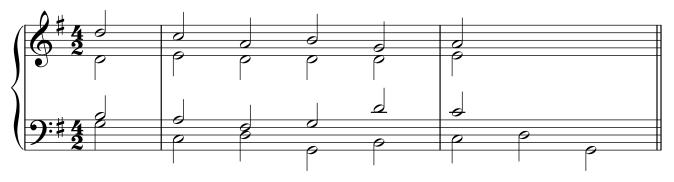
5.1 Rewrite the following passage in open score using treble and bass clefs.



Section 6 (15 marks)

6.1 Label the chords of this phrase with Roman numerals below the stave and chord symbols above, and complete it with an appropriate cadence.

Ravencroft's Psalter, 1621



Section 7 (20 marks)

Look at the following music and answer the questions opposite.



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		Boxes for examiner's use only
7.1	Write the appropriate chord symbol above bar 2.	
7.2	The first phrase finishes in bar 4; what type of cadence is formed at the end of this phrase?	
7.3	What key does the music quickly pass through in bars 5–6?	
7.4	Using square brackets () on the music mark each step of a three bar sequence in the upper stave.	
7.5	Draw a circle around an unaccented passing note in bar 5.	
7.6	Look at bar 11. In the key of D minor, what is this chord?	
7.7	Which note in bar 12 is an auxiliary note?	
7.8	Describe the interval formed by the two notes beneath the bracket in bar 27.	
7.9	On the music write the Roman numeral Ic beneath an appropriate chord.	
7.10	Which of the following most aptly describes the texture of the music? a] homophonic b] dense c] melody and accompaniment d] polyphonic e] imitative	