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Section One: Recital (60 marks)

Select three pieces from the following list (20 marks each)

As an alternative to the pieces below, candidates may perform up to 3 free choice pieces. For guidance on selecting and approving free choice pieces please <u>click here.</u>

Composer/Artist	Title	Book/Cat. Ref	Publisher/ Buy Here
Avenue Q	A Fine, Fine Line (Robert Lopez and Jeff Marx)	Contemporary Muscial Theatre for Teens	Hal Leonard
Boublil and Schonberg	Empty Chairs at Empty Tables (Les Miserables)	Vocal Selections	Wise
Boublil and Schonberg	Stars (Les Miserables)	Vocal Selections	Wise
Bellini	Vaga Luna	Tomplay	tomplay.com
Caccini	Amarilli	Tomplay	Bass / Alto / Mezzo / Baritone / Tenor / Soprano
Schubert	Ave Maria	Tomplay	<u>Bass</u> / <u>Alto</u> / <u>Mezzo</u> / Baritone / <u>Tenor</u> / Soprano
Bononcini	Per la Gloria d'avorarti	Tomplay	Bass / Alto / Mezzo / Baritone / <u>Tenor</u> / Soprano
Mozart	Ein Madchen oder Weibchen	Tomplay	tomplay.com
Mozart	In diesen heil'gen Hallen	Tomplay	tomplay.com
Arlen and Koehler	Stormy Weather	The Definitive Jazz Collection	IMP
Garner	Misty	The Definitive Jazz Collection	IMP
Bellini	Vaga Luna	15 Composizioni da Camera	Ricordi
Bock and Harnick	If I Were A Rich Man (Fiddler on the roof)	Vocal Selections	Wise publicationa
Caccini	Amarilli	The Language of Song: Intermediate	Faber

Tomplay pieces often include accompaniments and can be purchased individually using the link next to each piece or via a discounted subscription for MTB teachers/learners. To learn more about Tomplay and the subscription click here.

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Schubert	Die Forelle	The Language of Song: Intermediate	Faber
Pergolesi	Se tu m'ami	The Language of Song: Intermediate	Faber
Scarlatti	Toglietemi	The Language of Song: Intermediate	Faber
Boublil and Schonberg	Now That I've Seen Her	Available as a Download	Available as a Download
Donizetti	Sovra il Campo	The Language of Song: Advanced (medium voice or low voice as a separate copy)	Faber
Dring	Business Girls	Five Betjeman Songs	Boosey & Hawkes
Elgar	Sea Slumber	Voice and piano	Boosey & Hawkes
Gershwin	Summertime	The George Gershwin Definitive songbook/The best of George and Ira Gershwin	Faber
Handel	Lascia ch'io pianga	N/A	Sheet Music Plus
Head	Foxgloves	Published Separately	Boosey & Hawkes
Loesser	Luck Be A Lady Tonight (Guys and Dolls)	The Teen's Musical Theatre Collection: Young Men's Edition	Hal Leonard
Loesser	If I Were A Bell (Guys and Dolls)	Guys and Dolls vocal selections	Music sales
Mozart	Un moto di Gioia (Le nozze di Figaro)	Available as a Download	Sheet Music Plus
Mozart	Porgia Amor (Le nozze di Figaro)	Vocal Score	Schirmer
Purcell	When I Am Laid (Dido and Aeneas)	Vocal Score	Novello & Co
Lloyd Webber	Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again (The Phantom of the Opera)	Vocal Score	Really useful group
Schubert	Ave Maria	Every Note Sheet Music Download	everynote.com
Stephen Sondheim	Johanna (Sweeney Todd)	All Sondheim, Vol 1	IMP
Head	Ships of Arcady	Published Separately	Musicnotes



Section Two: Technical (25 marks)

Prepare both parts below

Technical

Part 1

Perform the Vaccai lesson using one of the links below or any suitable edition:

Lesson IV– Skips of 7ths & Lesson X – Preliminary exercise on the turn / introduction to the turn. Sing to any vowel with or without a consonant as selected by the teacher (e.g. Ah – Ee – Oo – Nah – Mee - Doo....) Observing the slurs.

Tomplay IV / Tomplay X Or IMSLP:

Page 4 for lesson IV in high voice / Page 5 for lesson X in high voice Page 7 for lesson IV in low voice / Page 8 for lesson X in low voice

PLUS

Part 2

Perform the singing skills from the sheet (Recordings available)

Bass Clef Page 10/ Treble Clef Page 11

Section Three: Musicianship (15 marks)

Prepare both parts below

Musicianship

Reading Skills:

Perform the rhythm exercises for this grade

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Listening Skills:

Sing the prepared aural tests for this grade

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Lesson IV - Skips of Sevenths



Lesson X - Introduction to the Turn







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Lesson X - Introduction to the Turn







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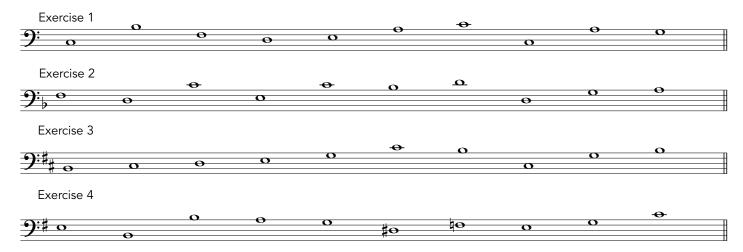


Singing Skills

(Bass Clef)

Section A

I will give you the starting note for each of the following 4 exercises. Sing back the 10 notes to any syllable in your own time. (Sound starting note)

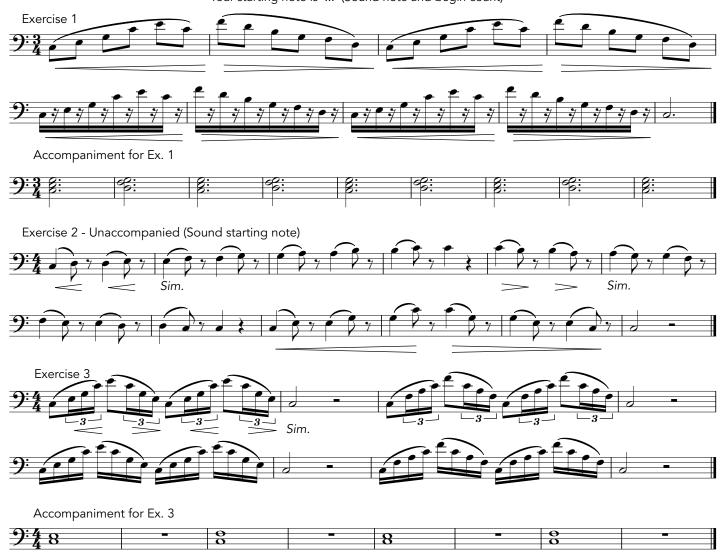


Section B

I will play a piano accompaniment and you will sing the following 3 exercises to any suitable vowel.

Before each, you will hear a bar of metronome and a bar of count.

Your starting note is '...' (Sound note and begin count)

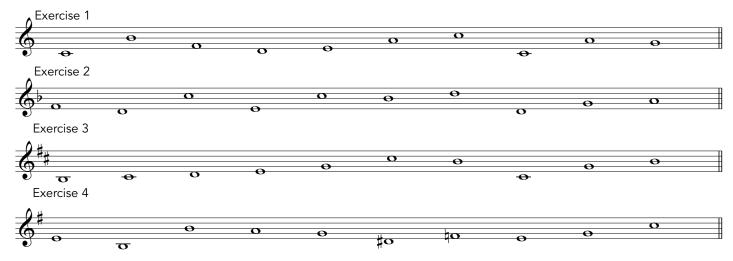


Singing Skills

(Treble Clef)

Section A

I will give you the starting note for each of the following 4 exercises. Sing back the 10 notes to any syllable in your own time. (Sound starting note)



Section B

I will play a piano accompaniment and you will sing the following 3 exercises to any suitable vowel.

Before each, you will hear a bar of metronome and a bar of count.

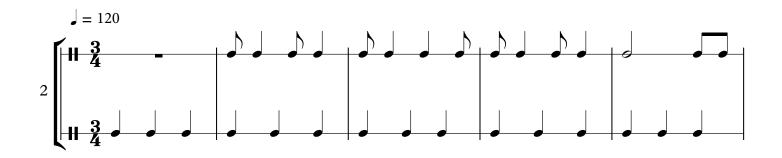


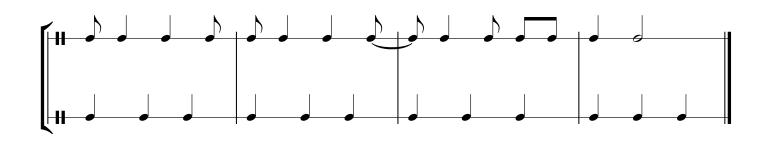
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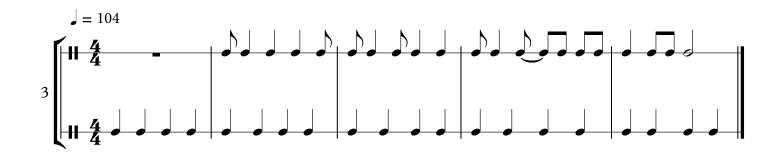
Candidates should practise the six clapping exercises below as part of their preparation to take this grade.

For the exam itself, the candidate should perform all six exercises in the order below at the indicated tempi. The candidate part should be clapped and the lower part should be provided using either the MTB Reading Skills recording for this grade, which can be downloaded <a href="https://example.com/heres

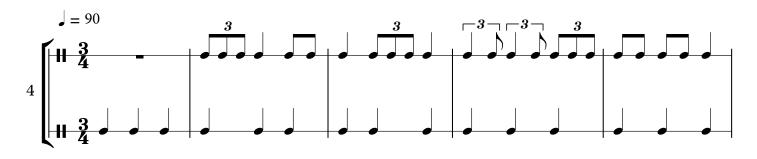


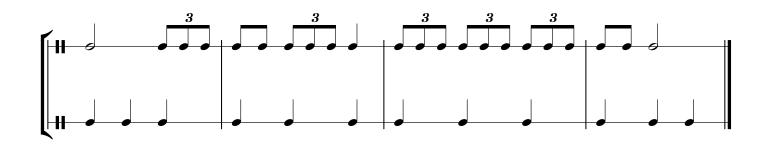




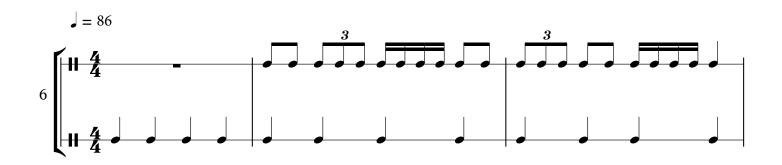


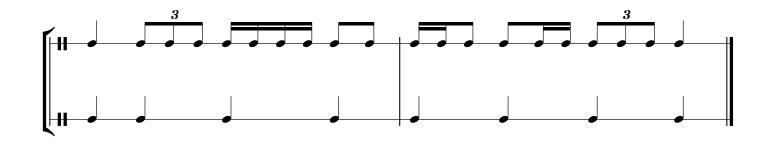
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Listening Skills

Click here to find the MTB Listening skills recordings in Treble Clef

<u>Click here to find the MTB</u> <u>Listening skills recordings in</u>

The candidate should practise all the exercises on this sheet with the accompanying Listening Skills recording as part of their preparation for the exam.

The exam can be conducted either with the candidate responding to the recording or the teacher can deliver them using this sheet.

Only the teacher should have this sheet in front of them during the exam. For each test, select *either* the treble *or* the bass clef exercises as appropriate to the range of the candidate's voice.

Test 1 - Scales.

I shall ask you to sing an ascending major scale, after I give you the starting note.

And then I shall ask you to sing an ascending harmonic minor scale, after I give you the same starting note again.



Test 2 - Singing back notes

I shall play a 3 note chord and then you will sing back the highest, middle, then lowest notes. We shall do this for 4 chords.





Test 3 - Dominant & Diminished 7ths

I shall ask you to sing the first 4 notes of an ascending dominant 7th arpeggio in root position after giving you the starting note. I shall then ask you to sing the first 4 notes of an ascending diminished 7th arpeggio after giving you the same starting note again.



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Syllabus Guidance

- The teacher is encouraged to speak to the candidate during the exam to put them at ease or to help them understand what is being requested. For more guidance on conducting/taking the exam <u>click here</u>.
- The recording should not be turned off at any point during the exam until all elements of the assessment have been completed. For more recording advice <u>click here</u>.
- For Practical Grades follow the above syllabus requirements. To learn about Performance Grade requirements please click here.
- To learn more about how our exams are marked visit our Marking Criteria Page here.
- Unless otherwise specified, vocal repertoire may be transposed into any key suitable for the candidate's range.

Recital Guidance - Practical & Performance Grades:

- Repeats are optional for MTB Exams, however, they are encouraged as they are often structurally important and can offer opportunities to display greater dynamic and expressive variation.
- All D.C. and D.S. marks should be observed (unless the syllabus specifies otherwise).
- The candidate should introduce each piece they are about to perform by stating its title.
- The teacher may help the candidate tune up before the exam begins. This should be done before starting the recording.
- Recorded accompaniments are acceptable as an alternative to a live accompanist. Make sure it is played on a different device to the one recording the exam.
- The composer's dynamics, phrasing etc should be observed in the pieces. Any editorial markings may be altered to allow for a personal interpretation. Where a piece contains no, or only limited, dynamic and expressive markings, the candidate is encouraged to include their own additional dynamic or expressive elements.
- Where a candidate presents Free Choice repertoire these must be of the correct grade standard. If such pieces fall below the required grade standard then examiners may reflect this in their marking. Free Choice Guidance can be found here.
- Candidates wishing to submit 2 or more pieces with Jazz improvisation may do so as part of our free choice options, these will be marked by a Jazz specialist who will normally specialise in that section of instruments (i.e. Wind, Brass etc).

Technical & Musicianship Guidance - Practical Grades:

- The tempi given for the technical section exercises (scales from memory/technical exercises etc.) are minimum speed requirements.
- There are no unprepared elements in an MTB exam. All Technical and Musicianship elements should be practised by the candidate prior to taking the exam.
- If the Listening Skills fall outside of the candidate's vocal range, they may be transposed. However, all exercises within a test must be transposed by the same interval.
- For the duet option, the teacher part may be performed by the teacher, another pupil or any suitable player on any instrument from the same family (wind/brass/strings etc) with octave transpositions made as necessary. Alternatively, a recording can be used for the teacher part during the exam.
- Duets set in the Musicianship section cannot to be used as recital pieces.