Music marking guide and response

External assessment 2024

Extended response (33 marks)

Assessment objectives

This assessment instrument is used to determine student achievement in the following objectives:

- 2. explain the use of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in repertoire and music sources
- 4. analyse music to examine and consider the constituent parts and relationship between music elements, concepts and stylistic characteristics in repertoire and music sources
- 6. apply written literacy skills using music terminology relevant to genre/style, reference to the work, and language conventions, to communicate ideas and meaning relevant to the work
- 8. evaluate music to justify a viewpoint related to repertoire and music sources.

Note: Objectives 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 10 are not assessed in this instrument.





Purpose

This document consists of a marking guide and a sample response.

The marking guide:

- provides a tool for calibrating external assessment markers to ensure reliability of results
- indicates the correlation, for each question, between mark allocation and qualities at each level of the mark range
- informs schools and students about how marks are matched to qualities in student responses.

The sample response:

- demonstrates the qualities of a high-level response
- has been annotated using the marking guide.

Mark allocation

Where a response does not meet any of the descriptors for a question or a criterion, a mark of '0' will be recorded.

Where no response to a question has been made, a mark of 'N' will be recorded.

Marking guide

Criterion: Explaining and analysing music elements and concepts

The response, for the first key moment:	М	The response, for the second key moment:	M
deconstructs music elements and concepts with detail, specificity and accuracy	7	 deconstructs music elements and concepts with detail, specificity and accuracy 	7
 deconstructs music elements and concepts with detail and specificity, with one or more inaccuracies that do not affect the overall response 	6	 deconstructs music elements and concepts with detail and specificity, with one or more inaccuracies that do not affect the overall response 	6
 deconstructs music elements and concepts with accuracy, and some detail and specificity 	5	 deconstructs music elements and concepts with accuracy, and some detail and specificity 	5
 deconstructs music elements and concepts with some detail and specificity, with inaccuracies that do not affect the overall response 	4	 deconstructs music elements and concepts with some detail and specificity, with inaccuracies that do not affect the overall response 	4
 deconstructs music elements and concepts superficially, leaving many aspects overlooked 	3	 deconstructs music elements and concepts superficially, leaving many aspects overlooked 	3
 deconstructs music elements and concepts superficially, leaving many aspects overlooked, and with inaccuracies that affect the overall response 	2	 deconstructs music elements and concepts superficially, leaving many aspects overlooked, and with inaccuracies that affect the overall response 	2
 explains music elements and concepts in a way that may show misunderstanding of characteristics 	1	 explains music elements and concepts in a way that may show misunderstanding of characteristics 	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0	 does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

Criterion: Analysing relationships

The response, for the first key moment:	M	The response, for the second key moment:	М
 consistently makes connections between music elements and concepts for the purpose of finding meaning 	2	 consistently makes connections between music elements and concepts for the purpose of finding meaning 	2
 makes connections between music elements and concepts for the purpose of finding meaning 	1	 makes connections between music elements and concepts for the purpose of finding meaning 	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0	does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Evaluating the use of music elements and concepts

The response, for the first key moment:	M	The response, for the second key moment:	М
 makes insightful judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question 	4	 makes insightful judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question 	4
• makes some insightful judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question	3	 makes some insightful judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question 	3
• makes reasonable judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question	2	 makes reasonable judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts to communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question 	2
 makes judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts that do not communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question 	1	 makes judgments about the purpose of music elements and concepts that do not communicate meaning in relation to the chosen question 	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0	does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Justifying the use of music elements and concepts

The response:	М
 consistently uses credible examples that support judgments uses bar numbers or time codes to reference examples 	4
uses some credible examples that support judgmentsuses bar numbers or time codes to reference examples	3
 uses relevant examples that support judgments uses bar numbers or time codes to reference examples 	2
 identifies examples uses bar numbers or time codes to reference examples 	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Applying written literacy skills

The response:	м
 communicates ideas and meaning in a sustained, organised and cohesive sequencing of information uses language conventions consistently and with clarity 	3
 communicates ideas and meaning in a logical and structured manner uses language conventions appropriately and with clarity 	2
 communicates ideas and meaning uses language conventions, allowing for some loss of clarity 	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

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