

# Past papers

for graded exams  
in music theory

November 2013

## Grade 1

# Theory of Music Grade 1

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## Instructions to Candidates

1. The time allowed for answering this paper is **two (2) hours**.
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.
3. **Do not open this paper until you are told to do so.**
4. This paper contains **six (6) sections** and you should answer all of them.
5. Read each question carefully before answering it. Your answers must be written legibly in the spaces provided.
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4 (15)	
5 (10)	
6 (20)	
Total	

**Section 1** (20 marks)

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Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

**Example**

Name this note:



A     D     C

This shows that you think C is the correct answer.

1.1 Name this note:



B     D     G

1.2 Name this note:



G     B     E

1.3 Name the notes to find the hidden word:



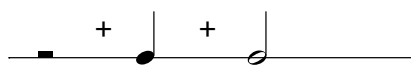
GAG     BAG     BAD

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1.4 How many crotchet beats are there in a semibreve?

2     3     4

1.5 Add the total number of crotchet beats in these note values and rests:



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5     4     7

\_\_\_\_\_

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

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1.6 Which rest matches the length of this note value?



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1.7 Which is the correct time signature?



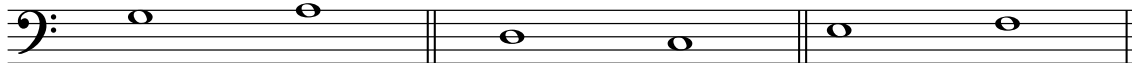
c     3/4     2/4

1.8 To return the last note to the pitch of the first note, which accidental would you put just before it?



b     b     #

1.9 Which pair of notes has a distance of a semitone between them?



G and A     D and C     E and F

1.10 Which note is the tonic in the key of G major?

C     G     F

1.11 Here is the scale of G major. Where are the semitones?



Between the 5th & 6th and 7th & 8th degrees

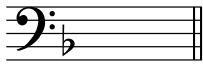
Between the 7th & 8th degrees

Between the 3rd & 4th and 7th & 8th degrees

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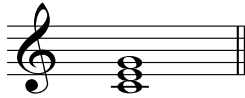
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1.12 Which major key has the following key signature?



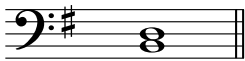
G major     C major     F major

1.13 Which chord symbol fits above this tonic triad?



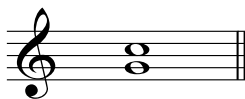
C     F     G

1.14 Which note needs to be added to make a tonic triad in the key of G major?



D     G     B

1.15 Name this interval:



5th     4th     3rd

1.16 Name this interval:



2nd     3rd     unison

1.17 Which notes would you find in the tonic triad in the key of F major?

FAD

FAC

FGA

1.18 What does *fortissimo* mean?

Very loud

Loud

Getting gradually louder

1.19 A tempo mark tells a player:

- how softly or loudly to play
- what speed to play the music
- to play smoothly

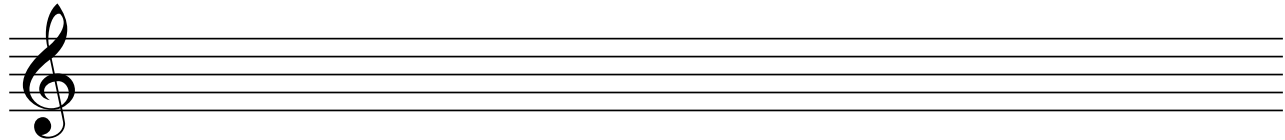
1.20 What does **Moderato** mean?

- At a walking pace
- Fast
- At a moderate pace

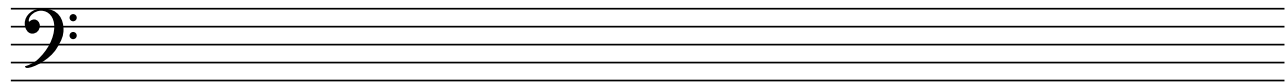
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### Section 2 (20 marks)

2.1 Write a one-octave F major scale in semibreves, going up. Use the correct key signature and mark the semitones with a bracket (  $\wedge$  or  $\vee$  ) and an **S** for semitone.

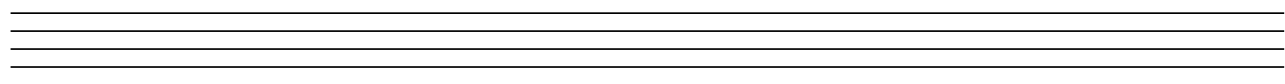
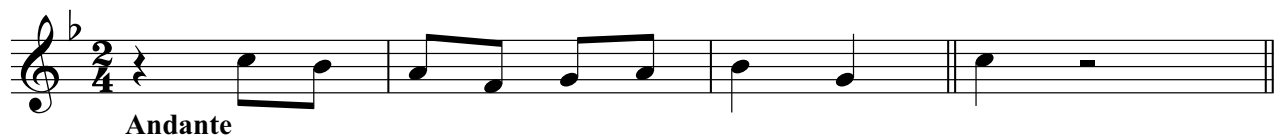


2.2 Write a one-octave arpeggio of C major in semibreves, going down then up.



### Section 3 (15 marks)

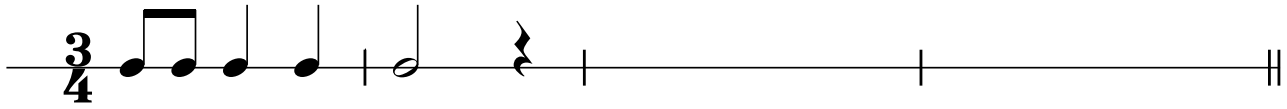
3.1 Circle five different mistakes in the following music, then write it out correctly.



**Section 4** (15 marks)

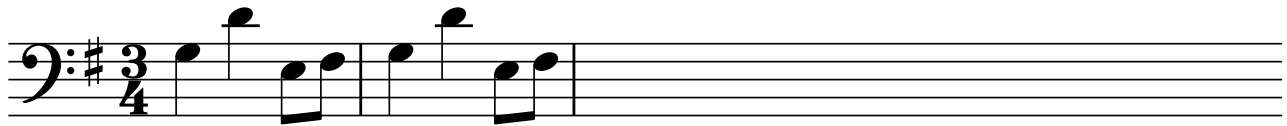
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4.1 Answer the following rhythm:




**Section 5** (10 marks)

5.1 Here is an ostinato. Write two more repeats of the pattern.



**Section 6** (20 marks)

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Look at the following piece and answer the questions below.

- 6.1 In which major key is this piece? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.2 Write a Roman numeral below the last note of this piece to show that a tonic triad should accompany it.
- 6.3 Doh is written in two different registers in this piece. Put a box (□) around an example of low and high doh.
- 6.4 Put a bracket (⌈) above the place where there is a one-octave arpeggio in the key of this piece.
- 6.5 What does the curved line under the notes in bar 1 mean? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.6 Name the interval between the two notes marked with asterisks (\*) in bar 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6.7 How does the composer separate the music in bars 4 and 5? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.8 What does *cresc.* mean? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.9 What does the > sign in bar 8 mean? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6.10 At what tempo should this piece be played? \_\_\_\_\_

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