CURRICULUM SUMMARY - Music

YEAR 9 - GCSE AQA 8271

TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3
CONTENT GCSE music	CONTENT	CONTENT
ESTABLISHING THE FOUNDATIONS OF THEORY	<u>Composition</u> Students now work independently on	Composition Students now work independently on their first
Year 9 is the Foundation Year in GCSE music where	composition and work on an ABA structure, with the theme	composition ABA structure and learn how to use the Musescore
basic principles and all theory is consolidated	of Water as their starting point, using ostinatos as a starting	computer program to write their compositions
Composition Students are introduced to the basic	point Theory Ongoing theory tasks/exercises related to	<u>Set works</u> students begin the second of the Beatles songs
tools of composition, working in groups	composition and listening skills	
They learn how to use Musescore as a compositional	<u>Set works</u> students begin on the first of the Beatles set	AOS2 – students continue to complete this 4 part AOS through
tool	works_	listening, performance and composition tasks related to the AOS
Theory Students work through theory tasks in order		
to support their compositions	AOS BROAD INTRODUCTION Students are given a broad	Students create their own PP and independent research
scales/chords/cadences/ intervals/melodic dictation	stylistic introduction in to the 4 main genres of music	
All theory knowledge is supported and consolidated	covered by AQA GCSE	<u>Performance</u> Students work on an ongoing basis improving their
by practical compositional activities	Students begin learning AOS2 –POPULAR MUSIC	performance skills through instrumental lessons and regular
Unseen listening Students begin to apply their	Students create their own PP and independent research	practice and in class peer assessment according to AQA criteria.
knowledge of basic theory to answering simple		
listening exercises	<u>Performance</u> Students work on an ongoing basis improving	
Students start to learn how to recognize/identify	their performance skills through instrumental lessons and	
instruments	regular practice. Students from the outset, understand the	
Students do research on Orchestra project	assessment criteria for performance	
ASSESSMENTS	ASSESSMENTS	ASSESSMENTS
Theory tests	Composition – ongoing development of ideas	Composition – ongoing development of ideas and
Vocabulary tests	and exploration of different genres.	exploration of different genres.
Essay writing	Theory tests	Theory tests
Listening exercises	Vocabulary tests	Vocabulary tests
Short composing tasks – melody/harmony/rhythm	Listening tests -general and AOS2 POPULAR MUSIC	Listening tests
	Listening and appraising set works	Listening and appraising set works
		Performance Assessment -
HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING	HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING	HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING
Encourage their sons/daughters to practice	Encourage their sons/daughters to practice	Encourage their sons/daughters to practice
regularly/daily Ensure that homework tasks are	regularly/daily Ensure that homework tasks are	regularly/daily Ensure that homework tasks are
completed Encourage/take their sons/daughters to	completed Encourage/take their sons/daughters to	completed Encourage/take their sons/daughters to
Classical concerts	Classical concerts	Classical concerts

YEAR 10 - GCSE AQA 8271

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CONTENT Composition Students work on their FREE compositions and start to plan out their GCSE compositions according to their plan. Students research their chosen genre and instruments and present a Powerpoint on their individual research Students made aware of assessment criteria and work on composition according to given criteria Set works Haydn Clock Symphony Ongoing listening and advanced theory to support both composition and listening Students begin on the 4 part AOS1 and concentrate on Instrument recognition	CONTENT Composition First composition now halfway through and notated either by hand or preferably, Sibelius score. Deadline given to students for submission of first composition Year 10 mocks Revision sessions timetabled Performance Students now presenting performances to class with an understanding of GCSE levels of assessment. Their solo performance counts for 15% of their mid-year exam Theory Ongoing to support listening paper Set work Clock symphony completed with emphasis in Year 10 in the role and function of the instruments	CONTENT Composition Ongoing with regular feedback from teacher. Hand in and marking of first composition by JULY Theory Related to either set works or composition techniques. Students should be planning out their second composition. Set works Song no. 3 of Beatles compilation Performance Students working on an ongoing basis. Most Student preparing their final performance for recording. Completion of AOS1 and starting on AOS3 (traditional music)
ASSESSMENTS Performance – students present their solo performance/s understanding GCSE levels Theory tests Vocabulary tests Listening and essay writing tests	ASSESSMENTS Performance – students present their solo performance/s understanding GCSE levels Theory tests Understanding how the Elements of Music relate to the longer essay questions Vocabulary tests Listening and essay writing tests	ASSESSMENTS Performance – students preparing for final recording of their solo pieces. Vocabulary and set work/listening tests. Essay writing exercises/tests. Understanding how the Elements of Music relate to the longer essay questions
HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING Encourage their sons/daughters to practice regularly/daily Ensure that homework tasks are completed Encourage/take their sons/daughters to Classical concerts Revision – parents can ask their sons/daughters to explain the set works to them – excellent way to revise!	HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING Encourage their sons/daughters to practice regularly/daily Ensure that homework tasks are completed Encourage/take their sons/daughters to Classical concerts Revision – parents can ask their sons/daughters to explain the set works to them – excellent way to revise!	HOW PARENTS CAN SUPPORT LEARNING Encourage their sons/daughters to practice regularly/daily Ensure that homework tasks are completed Encourage/take their sons/daughters to Classical concerts Revision – parents can ask their sons/daughters to explain the set works to them – excellent way to revise!

YEAR 11 – GCSE AQA 8271

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CONTENT Composition Students now working on second composition according to the given brief given on Sept 15 th by AQA Set works Revision of set works covered in Yr 9 and 10 – Haydn and Beatles Detailed exploration of AOS1 and AOS2 genre recognition Refer to genre booklet AOS4 – 4 PART – students begin this AOS and find links to AOS1 Reinforcement of instrument recognition Performance: students to select their ensemble performances in conjunction with teacher and myself to assess LOD according to AQA requirements. All timings carefully checked and written down to comply with the 4 minute minimum requirement ASSESSMENTS Set work tests and listening Performance assessments according to GCSE requirements	CONTENT Composition Students now working on second composition according to the given brief given at end of Sept by AQA Students notating their composition either by hand or Sibelius Set works Revision of set works covered in Yr 9 and 10 – Haydn and Beatles Detailed exploration of AOS3 and AOS4 genre recognition Refer to genre booklet Listening tests focused on AOS 3 and 4 Reinforcement of instrument recognition –extended to World music and guitar and drum kit techniques Performance :students to select their ensemble performances in conjunction with teacher and myself to assess LOD ASSESSMENTS Revision of set works – essay writing for the 8 mark question Listening tests	CONTENT Course work deadlines for Ensemble performance and composition no 2 Students need to hand in a written essay on their composition process according to the AQA brief -150 words for each composition Students given close guidance as to the brief write up and help in choosing their chosen Elements for examination and assessment Revision and past papers form a large part of this term, Genre recognition Vocabulary Essav writing ASSESSMENTS Revision of set works – essay writing Listening tests from AOS 1-4 Vocab tests
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