

KS4 GCSE Music Eduqas Overview

Y10 Curriculum Overview:

HT1		HT2		HT3		HT4		HT5		HT6	
Step Up To GCSE (7wks)		AoS1 Forms and Devices (7wks)		AoS 2 Music for Ensemble (5wks)		AoS 3 Film Music (5wks)		AoS 4 Popular Music (7wks)		Revision of Content (7wks)	
Topics to cover include: note naming in treble and bass clef, rhythmic notation, keys and scales, intervals, chords, musical elements (dynamics, tempo, texture, structure, tonality, harmony, melody), using MuseScore		Topics include: Baroque, Classical & Romantic music. Forms and Structure including: Binary, Ternary, Rondo, Theme & Variations. Focus on set work Badinerie by Bach		Topics include: Jazz & Blues, Musical Theatre, Texture (monophonic, polyphonic, homophonic, unison, layered, chordal), duets, trios, quartets, concertos, sonatas.		Topics include: ostinato patterns, leitmotifs, minimalism techniques e.g. phasing, metamorphosis, elements to change mood, harmonic devices, instrumental forces, music technology techniques.		Topics include: structures (32 bar song, 12 bar blues, strophic, intro, bridge, middle 8, riffs, fill, instrumental, chorus, pre-chorus, verse), chord sequences, power chords, production sampling (loops, samples, panning, phasing), syncopation, driving rhythms, lead and backing vocals, melismatic/syllabic, primary and secondary chords, cadences Africa by Toto		Component 2: Free Composition	
Ensemble Performance		AP1 Assessment		Solo Performance		AP2 Assessment		Ensemble Performance			
Composition Sketches				Composition Sketches				Free Composition			

Autumn Term 1			Autumn Term 2			Spring Term 1		
	Step Up to GCSE	H/W		AOS1	H/W		AOS2	H/W
Week 1	Note naming in treble clef Note values	Page from "step up to GCSE" note naming practice	Week 1	L1: Intro to Western Classical Music	Teaching gadget tasks	Week 1	L1: Texture	Teaching gadget tasks Instrumental practice
	Note naming in bass clef Time signatures	Page from "step up to GCSE" note naming practice		L2: Binary Form			L2: Textures continued.	
Week 2	Tones & Semitones, accidentals, Chromatic and Whole tone scales, major Scales	Instrumental practice Teaching gadget quiz on tones/semitones	Week 2	L3: Ternary & Rondo	Instrumental practice	Week 2	L3: Harmony	AOS2: Listening practice tests Instrumental practice
	Scale degrees, intervals			L4: Minuet & Trio			L4: Harmony continued	
Week 3	L1: Circle of fifths, major and minor scales	Key signatures theory exercise	Week 2	L5: Theme & variations	Instrumental practice	Week 3	L5: Chamber Music	AOS2: Listening practice tests Instrumental practice
	Recap quiz of topics so far / using musescore			L6: Theme & V, Strophic			L6: chords & cadences	
Week 4	Chords	Step up to gcse page	Week 3	L7: Strophic	Instrumental practice	Week 4	L7: Musical Theatre	AOS2: Listening practice tests Instrumental practice
	Cadences			L8: Revision			L8: duets, trios	
Week 5	Modulation	Continue composition working on modulation	Week 4	L9: Revision & Badinerie	Instrumental practice Revision	Week 5	L9: Jazz & Blues	AOS2: Listening practice tests Instrumental practice
	Listening quiz on chords/cadences/modulations / using musescore			L10: Badinerie			L10: Jazz & Blues	
Week 6	Ornamentation	Add ornamentation to composition. Teaching gadget/forms quiz on ornaments + performance directions	Week 5	L11: Badinerie	Instrumental practice Revision	Week 6	L11_ Revision & End of Unit Assessment	AOS2: Listening practice tests Instrumental practice
	Performance Directions			L12: Assessment				
Week 7	Revision of topics / using musescore	Notes on the stave practice. Musical detective/escape room theory revision	Week 6		Instrumental practice			
	Listening questions to revise							

Spring Term 2			Summer Term 1			Summer Term 2			
	AOS3	H/W		AOS4 Revision & Exam Prep	H/W		EXAMS	H/W	
Week 1	L1: Intro to Film Music Music & Mood	Instrumental practice AOS3 listening questions Teaching gadget quizzes tailored to set gaps in knowledge.	Week 1	L1: Intro to Popular Music	Instrumental practice AOS4 listening questions Teaching gadget quizzes tailored to set gaps in knowledge.	Week 1	L1: Fusions – Bhangra	-	
	L2: What is an ostinato?			L2: Intro to set work: Africa			L2: Africa (arrangement walk-through)		
Week 2	L3: Intervals & film music listening		Week 2	L3: Rock Music		Week 2	L3: Fusions – bhangra recap	Week 3	L4: Africa exam prep
	L4: Intro to leitmotifs			L4: Africa (instrumentation)			L5: Exam revision & Catch-up		
Week 3	L5: melodic devices used in film music		Week 3	L5: Reggae		Weeks 4-6	Free Composition Students will begin to develop compositional skills through a series of whole class workshops, paired work and individual practice. Students should have a first draft of their free composition by the end of the year.	Composition – develop listening examples portfolio	
	L6: melodic devices continued.			L6: Africa (harmony & tonality)					
Week 4	L7: minimalism & composition techniques	Week 4	L7: Soul	Week 4	L8: Africa (melody)				
	L8: minimalism continued		Week 5						L9: hip hop
Week 5	L9: harmonic devices used in film music	Week 5		L10: Africa (arrangement walk-through)	Week 5				L10: Africa (arrangement walk-through)
	L10: harmonic devices continued.		Week 6	L9: Articulation and film music					
Week 6	L10: Forms & Devices in film music	Week 6			Week 6		FREE COMPOSITION FIRST DRAFT		
	L10: Forms & Devices in film music								