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IA3: Sample assessment instrument

Performance project (35%)

This sample has been compiled by the QCAA to assist and support teachers in planning and developing assessment instruments for individual school settings.

Student name

Student number

Teacher

Issued

Due date

Marking summary

Criterion	Marks allocated	Provisional marks
Applying technique	10	
Interpreting music elements and concepts	8	
Communicating meaning	12	
Evaluating best practice	5	
Overall	35	

Conditions

Technique	Project
Unit	Unit 4: Emerge
Topic/s	Key idea 3: Independent best practice
Duration	25 hours, in both class time and students' own time
Mode/length	Performance: approximately 5–6 minutes Performance statement: written 200–400 words, or filmed oral or audio equivalent, 1–2 minutes, that examines and evaluates the performance choices made in the work and expresses the meaning communicated through the performance. Reflective statement: written 300 words, or filmed oral or audio equivalent, 1–2 minutes, evaluating at least two techniques and/or strategies of best practice that influenced the performance.
Individual/group	Individual: if the performance is in an ensemble, the student's part must be independent and aurally identifiable (one person per part)
Other	Where students choose to accompany themselves, both music roles will be assessed as a cohesive performance. Repertoire must be different from that performed in Music. Submission: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Performance — .mov, .mp4, .pptx or .avi for dynamic files• Performance statement — .pdf, .mov, .mp3, .mp4, .pptx or .avi for dynamic files• Reflective statement — .pdf, .mov, .mp3, .mp4, .pptx or .avi for dynamic files.

Context

As an emerging artist you are critically reflecting on your musicianship and refining your practice as you endeavour to discover your personal style as a musician. Your aim is to operate with increasing independence and sophistication, and demonstrate best practice independently, working towards an individual approach in your specialisation.

Task

Present a performance, using an instrument or sound source, in a style or genre of your choice. Complete a performance statement that examines the performance choices made in the work and expresses the meaning communicated through the performance.

You will also complete a reflective statement that evaluates at least two techniques and/or strategies of best practice that influenced the performance.

Your performance will be audiovisually recorded to substantiate teacher judgments.

To complete this task, you must:

- **apply** technical skills in a performance specific to the instrument or sound source
- **interpret** music elements and concepts in a performance of music specific to style and genre
- **realise** music ideas to communicate meaning in a performance
- **apply** literacy skills using music terminology relevant to genre/style, and use referencing and language conventions
- **evaluate** two techniques and/or strategies of best practice
- **examine** the performance choices made in the work
- **express** the meaning communicated through the performance.

Checkpoints

- 2 hours: Individual consultation to discuss chosen repertoire
- 12 hours: Conferencing
- 18 hours: Discussion and viewing with feedback provided

Authentication strategies

- The teacher will provide class time for task completion.
- The teacher will conduct interviews or consultations with each student as they develop the response.

Scaffolding

You will:

- consider repertoire commensurate with your technique and skill
- consider control, dexterity, fluency, security and coordination. Also, display an understanding of your role as a soloist or ensemble member (communicating with the accompanist or other members), considering balance, blend and intonation
- consider melodic, rhythmic and harmonic accuracy, with appropriate tempi, idiomatic tone quality, phrasing patterns, articulation patterns and dynamic levels to show your understanding of style to refine your performance
- maintain the stylistic integrity of the repertoire and consider whether the repertoire is to be accompanied or unaccompanied
- develop your own rehearsal strategies and performance goals appropriate for your instrument or sound source
- observe and absorb the attributes and subtleties of the performance of others playing your instrument type (sourced from recordings or live performance) such as phrasing, tone, articulation and style-specific conventions
- employ self-evaluation strategies, e.g. recording rehearsal, practice journal for self-reflection
- consider stage etiquette, feedback and self-evaluation when refining and polishing your performance
- consider connecting technical approaches to the performance, and communicating meaning and expressing musical ideas
- engage in reflective strategies by examining the performance choices you made to communicate meaning in your performance
- express the meaning communicated through your performance in your performance statement
- develop your reflective practice statement using documentation collected during Unit 4.

Instrument-specific marking guide (IA3): Performance project (35%)

Criterion: Applying technique

Assessment objective

5. apply technical skills in performance specific to the instrument or sound source

The student work has the following characteristics:	Marks
• application of technical skills integral to the work showing understanding and command	10
• application of technical skills that present a fluent and cohesive performance	9
• application of technical skills that display accuracy and control	7–8
• application of technical skills in performance specific to the instrument or sound source	5–6
• use of technical skills to present sections from a music work	3–4
• evidence of some technical skills	1–2
• does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Interpreting music elements and concepts

Assessment objective

6. interpret music elements and concepts in performance of music specific to style and genre

The student work has the following characteristics:	Marks
• interpretation of music elements and concepts shows an individualised style	8
• interpretation of music elements and concepts shows an incorporation and awareness of style characteristics and nuances	7
• interpretation of music elements and concepts displays stylistic awareness	5–6
• interpretation of music elements and concepts in performance of music specific to style and genre	3–4
• interpretation of some music elements and concepts	1–2
• does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Communicating meaning

Assessment objectives

3. examine the performance choices made in the work
4. express the meaning communicated through the performance
7. realise music ideas to communicate meaning in performance

The student work has the following characteristics:	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">realisation of the performance shows a synthesis of expressive devices and performance choices that communicate subtleties of meaning	11–12
<ul style="list-style-type: none">realisation of music ideas through the sustained use of chosen expressive devices and performance choices	9–10
<ul style="list-style-type: none">realisation of music ideas to communicate meaning through selection of expressive devices and performance choices	7–8
<ul style="list-style-type: none">examination of the performance choices made in the workexpression of the meaning communicated through the performancerealisation of music ideas to communicate meaning in performance	5–6
<ul style="list-style-type: none">simple statements made about the musicpresentation of music ideas relevant to the performance of repertoire	3–4
<ul style="list-style-type: none">description of ideasevidence of a music idea	1–2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Evaluating best practice

Assessment objectives

1. apply literacy skills using terminology relevant to genre/style, and use referencing and language conventions
2. evaluate two techniques and/or strategies of best practice

The student work has the following characteristics:	Marks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">evaluation provides evidence of metacognition that informs independent best practice	4–5
<ul style="list-style-type: none">application of literacy skills through articulated ideas, controlled structure and the sequencing of informationevaluation examines the logic of the two selected techniques and/or strategies	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">application of literacy skills using terminology relevant to genre/style, and use of referencing and language conventionsevaluation of two techniques and/or strategies of best practice	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">application of literacy skills to describe ideasidentification of techniques or strategies of best practice	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none">does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

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