



Music GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

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| Examination Board: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Edexcel Pearson GCSE Music 9-1 |
| Number of Examination Papers: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: NEA (Non Exam Assessed) Performing X 2 Paper 2: NEA (Non Exam Assessed) Composing X 2 Paper 3: Appraising written Exam. |
| Structure of Examination Papers: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Solo performances must be at least 1 minute in duration and my compromise of one or more pieces. Ensemble performances must be at least 1 minute in duration and my compromise of one or more pieces. Paper 2: Pupils must submit two compositions, one in response to a Pearson set brief of at least 1 minuet in duration, and one free composition of at least 1 minute in duration. Paper 3: - 1:45hr Set work listening and appraising exam. |
| Key Information: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Music course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 40% examination based 60% NEA (Non Exam Assessed). Paper 3 will ask for pupils to have knowledge of 8 set works studied throughout the course as well as some unfamiliar music from similar musical genres, styles, periods and composers. |
| Where could I find past papers and mark schemes? | https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/exams/past-papers.html?Qualification-Family=GCSE&Qualification-Subject=Music%20(2016)&Status=Pearson-UK:Status%2FLive&Specification-Code=Pearson-UK:Specification-Code%2Fgcse16-music |
| What are the best websites to help me revise this subject? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 3: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z6chkmn Support for all three aspects can be found on your class Teams page with practice listening and teacher resources. |
| Link to revision guide: | https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-GCSE-Music-Revision-Guide/dp/1785581686/ref=asc_df_1785581686/?tag=googshopuk-21&linkCode=df0&hvadid=310855476898&hvpos=&hvnetw=g&hvrand=7843253323202363674&hvpone=&hvptwo=&hvgmt=&hvdev=c&hvdvcmcl=&hvlocint=&hvlcpohy=1006688&hvtargid=pla-415302622696&psc=1&th=1&psc=1 |
| What are the best ways to revise for this subject? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. There are already lots of flash cards for the course on the following website: https://www.brainscape.com/ https://www.brainscape.com/subjects/gcse-edexcel-music GCSE Pod: This is a good resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to most of the content of each paper. Books: Revise by using your exercise books and revision booklets. These are your best revision resource. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect. |