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Lesson 1 – answers

(1) Write the following key signatures.

(a) (b)

C# major E^b minor

(c) (d)



(2) Give the letter names of the following notes.

Key	Technical name	Note name
G [#] minor	leading note	F×
C [♭] major	subdominant	F♭
A [♭] minor	mediant	Cþ
D [#] minor	submediant	В
F [#] major	dominant	C#
A [♯] minor	leading note	G*

B[♭] minor

(3) Write the names of the scales that are the enharmonic equivalents of:

(a)	D [#] harmonic minor	E ^b harmonic minor
(b)	C [#] major	D ^b major
	G [#] harmonic minor	A ^b harmonic minor
(d)	C ^b major	B major

- (4) Add a clef and accidentals to make the following scales.
 - (a) E^b harmonic minor



Mark any interval wider than a tone with a slur.

(b) A[#] harmonic minor



Draw a circle around the supertonic.

(c) C[♭] major



Mark the semitones with slurs.

(d) A harmonic minor



Mark the tones with slurs.

- (5) Write the scale of G^{\sharp} harmonic minor.
 - Write the key signature.
 - Use minims.
 - Write one octave descending and then one octave ascending.
 - Mark each semitone in the ascending octave with a slur.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.



- (6) Write the scale of C[#] major.
 - Do not write the key signature. Use accidentals.
 - Use semibreves.
 - Write one octave descending.
 - Mark each tone with a slur.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.



- (7) Write the scale of D^{\sharp} harmonic minor.
 - Write the key signature.
 - Use crotchets.
 - Write two octaves ascending.
 - Mark each semitone with a slur.
 - Draw a circle around the dominant in both octaves.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.



- (8) Write the scale of E^{\flat} harmonic minor.
 - Write the key signature.
 - Use minims.
 - Write one octave ascending.
 - Mark each tone with a slur.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.



Lesson 2 – answers

- (1) Which degrees of the scale are altered in a melodic minor scale? 6th and 7th
- Why is the melodic minor scale better suited to melodies than the harmonic minor?

 Through altering degrees 6 and 7 to remove the interval of a tone-and-a-half in the harmonic minor scale, the melodic minor becomes a scale of tones and semitones, which is easier to sing and play than the harmonic minor scale. In melodies, the interval of a tone-and-a-half between degrees 6 and 7 in the harmonic minor scale is to be avoided; the melodic minor allows a smooth stepwise accent from the sixth degree to the upper tonic.
- (3) What is a natural minor scale?

The natural minor scale is the harmonic minor scale without a sharpened leading note.

- (4) Which form of the melodic minor scale is the same as the natural minor? The descending form
- (5) Add a clef and accidentals to make the following scales.
 - (a) F[#] melodic minor



Mark the tones with slurs.

(b) B^b melodic minor, ascending form



In this scale, what is the interval from the tonic to the submediant? ____ Major 6th

(c) D# melodic minor, descending form



Mark the semitones with slurs.

(d) A#melodic minor

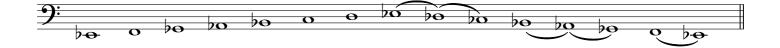


Mark the tones in the first octave with slurs.

- (6) Write the scale of C melodic minor.
 - Write the key signature.
 - Use minims.
 - Write one octave ascending and then one octave descending.
 - Mark each semitone with a slur.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.



- (7) Write the scale of E^{\flat} melodic minor.
 - Do not write the key signature. Use accidentals.
 - Use semibreves
 - Write one octave ascending and then one octave descending
 - Mark each tone in the second octave.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.



- (8) Write the scale of C^{\sharp} melodic minor.
 - Write the key signature.
 - Use crotchets.
 - Write one octave ascending.
 - Mark each semitone with a slur.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.

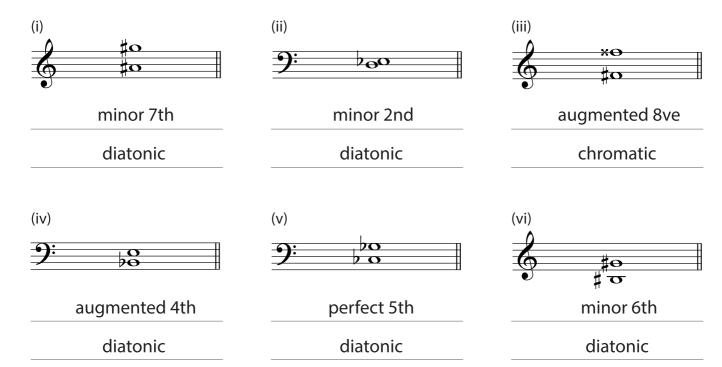


- (9) Write the scale of A^{\flat} melodic minor.
 - Write the key signature.
 - Use minims.
 - Write one octave descending and then one octave ascending.
 - Mark each tone in the first octave with a slur.
 - Complete the scale with a double barline.

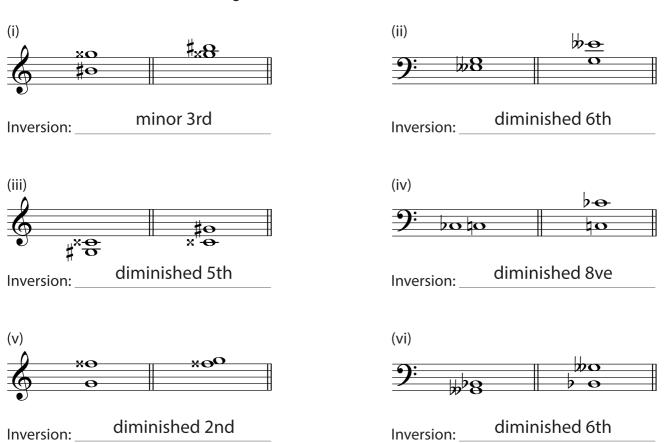


Lesson 3 – answers

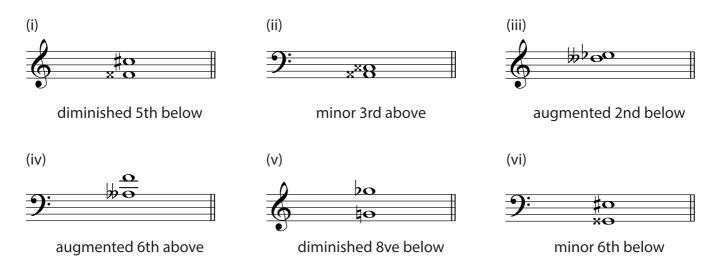
(1) Name each of the following intervals, and then describe them as being either diatonic or chromatic.



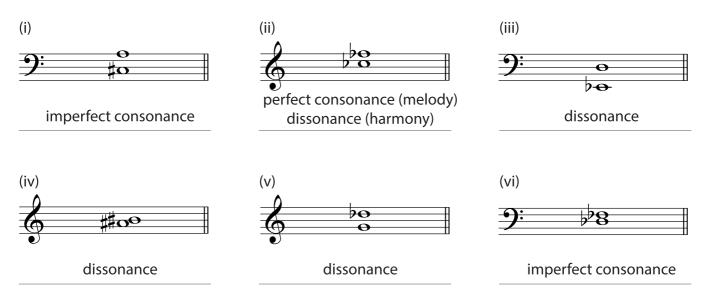
(2) Write the inversion of the following intervals, and then name the inversion.



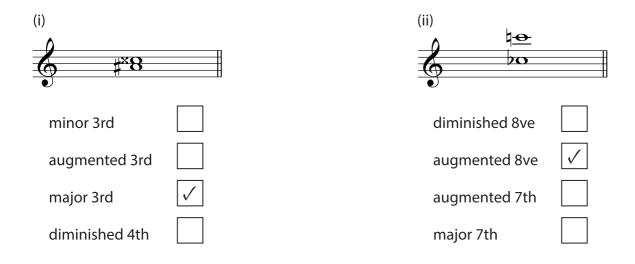
(3) Write the following intervals as directed.



(4) Label each of the following intervals as perfect consonance, imperfect consonance, or dissonance.



(5) Tick the box that best describes the given interval.



minor 6th diminished 7th diminished 5th diminished 8ve

major 7th

augmented 5th

Lesson 4 – answers

(1) In the key of E major, a modulation to the dominant would be indicated by the presence of what note?

A[#]

(2) In the key of D^{\flat} major, a modulation to the relative minor would be indicated by the presence of what note?

Α[‡]

- (3) In the key of G^{\sharp} minor, a modulation to the dominant would be indicated by the presence of what note/s? C^* and/or E^{\sharp}
- (4) In the key of E^{\flat} minor, a modulation the relative major would be indicated by the presence of what note? D^{\flat} (unraised 7th)
- (5) In the key of F minor, a modulation to the subdominant would be indicated by the presence of what note/s?

A[‡], G[♭] and E[♭] (unraised 7th)

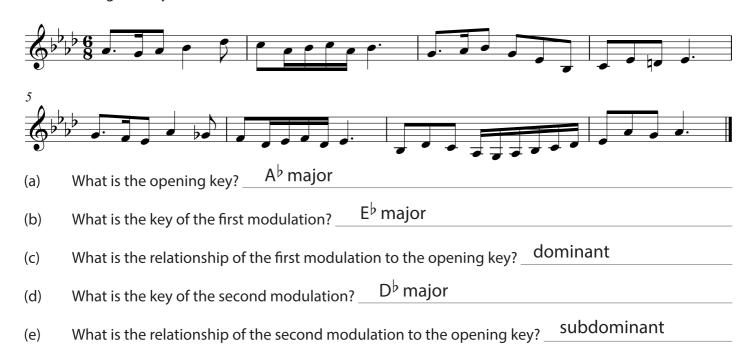
- (6) In the key of B major, a modulation to the subdominant would be indicated by the presence of what note? A^{\natural}
- (7) The following melody contains one modulation.



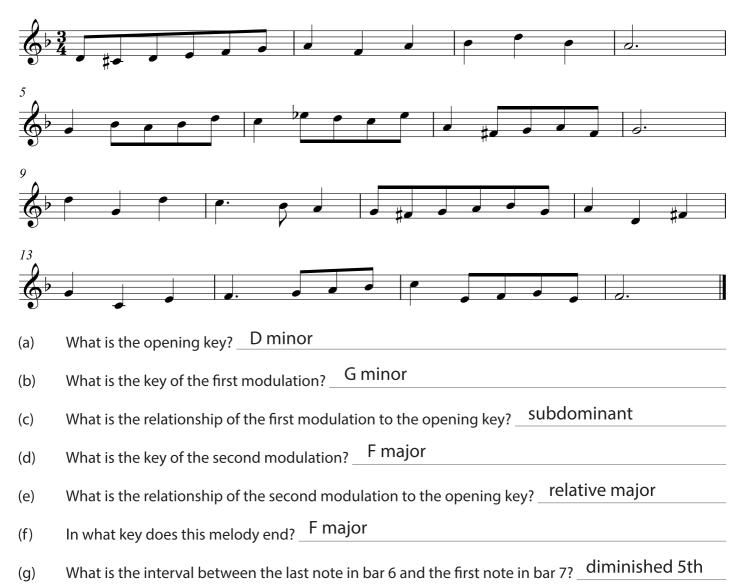


- (a) What is the opening key? E major
- (b) What is the key of the modulation? C minor
- (c) What is the relationship of the new key to the opening key? <u>relative minor</u>
- (d) Why is there an A[‡] in bar 7? melodic minor has been used

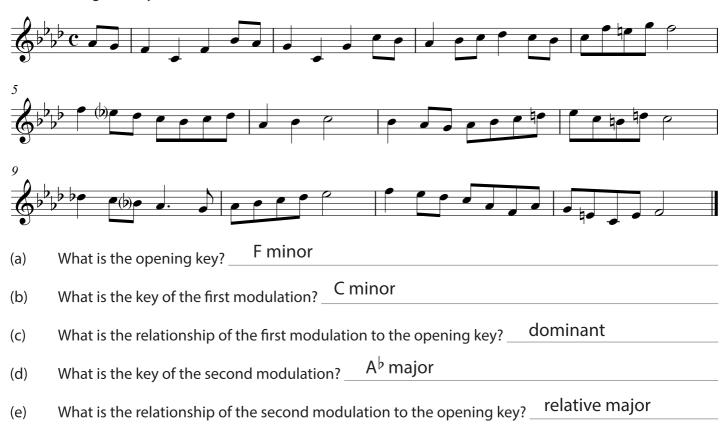
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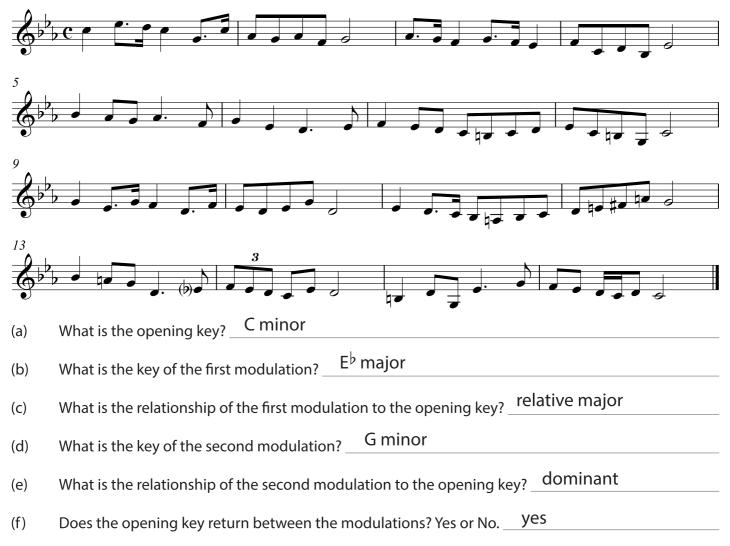
(9) The following melody contains two modulations.



(10) The following melody contains two modulations.



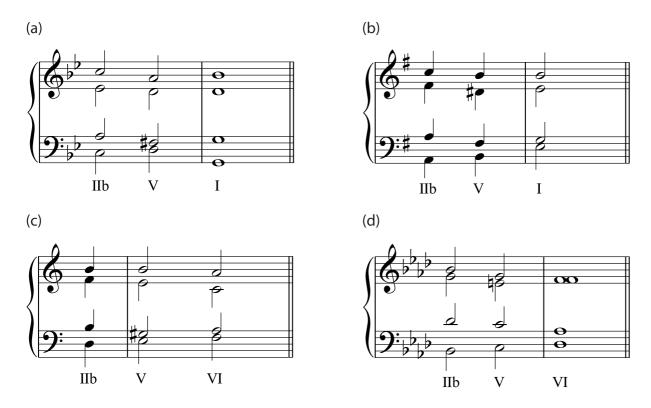
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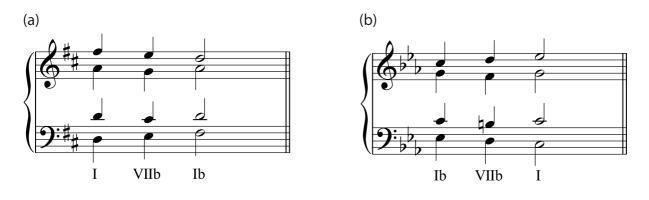
Lesson 5 – answers

(1)	What is a diminished triad? In root position, a diminished triad is a triad that contains notes
	a minor third and a diminished fifth above the root.
(2)	In four-part harmony, diminished triads are used most often in which position? First inversion
(3)	In minor keys, chord IIb is commonly used before which other chord? $\underline{\hspace{1cm}V\hspace{1cm}}$
4)	In minor keys, chord IIb should be used on weak beats. Yes or No? Yes
5)	VIIb is often used between which two chords? I and Ib
6)	What are unequal fifths? Unequal fifths are consecutive fifths, but one pair of fifths will be diminished rather than perfect.
(7)	Why is chord Ic sometimes referred to as a ${\rm I}_4^6$ chord? Chord Ic contains notes a fourth and sixth above the bass, hence ${\rm I}_4^6$.
8)	In Ic, which note is usually doubled? The bass (which is also the dominant note).
9)	List the three most common cadential progressions involving Ic.
	Ic - V - I $Ic - V - VI$
10)	Outline the characteristic movement of voices in the progression from Ic to V . One voice will move 6-5, another will move 4-3, and the other two voices will not move.
11)	Ic should always be on a strong beat. Yes or No?Yes
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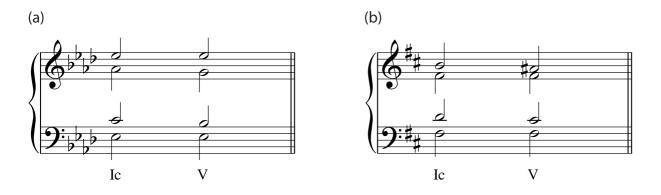
(12) Complete the following cadential passages in four-part harmony as directed.



(13) Complete the following progressions in four-part harmony as directed.

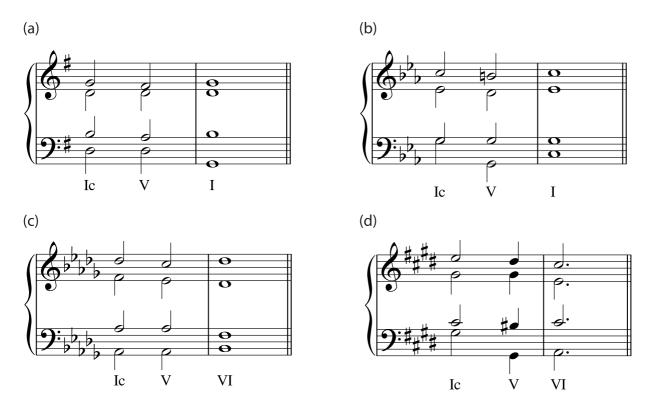


(14) Complete the following imperfect cadences in four-part harmony as directed. Use correct doubling and characteristic voice leading.

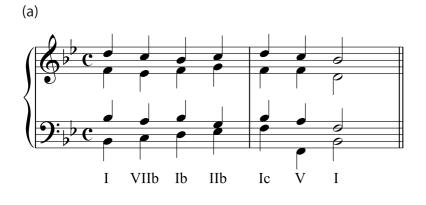


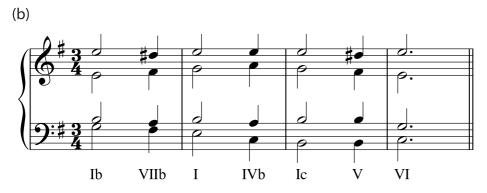
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(15) Complete the following cadential passages in four-part harmony as directed. Use correct doubling and characteristic voice leading.



(16) Complete the following passages in four-part harmony according to the given bass lines. Use correct doubling and characteristic voice leading.

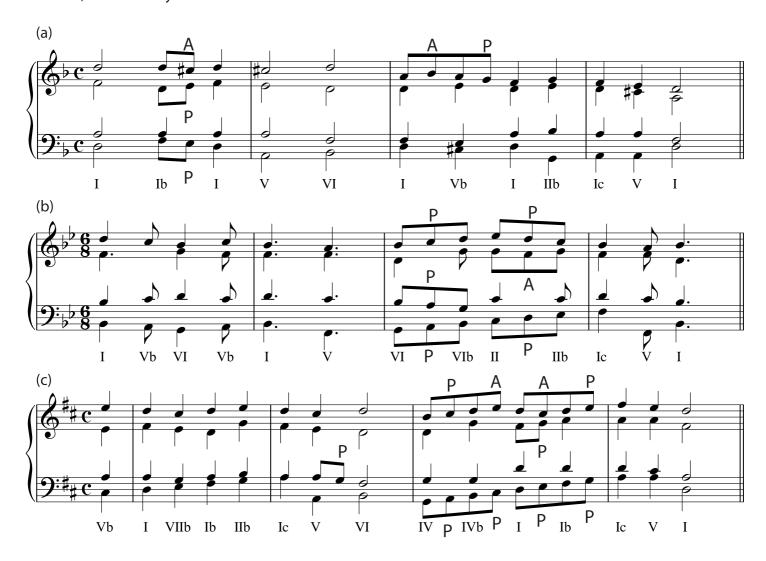




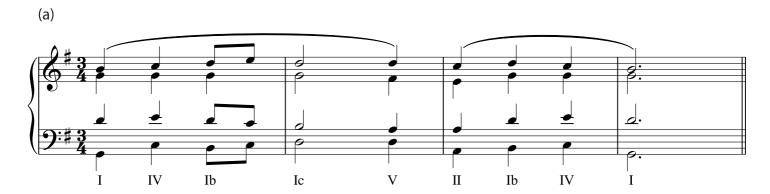
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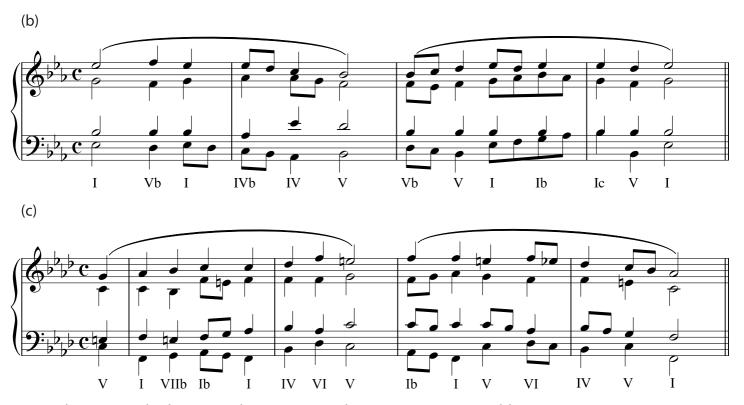
Lesson 6 – answers

(1) Label the harmonies in the following passages with Roman numerals. Then, label all passing notes with the letter P, and auxiliary notes with the letter A.



(2) Harmonise the following melodies, labelling the bass line with Roman numerals. Use passing and auxiliary notes where appropriate.





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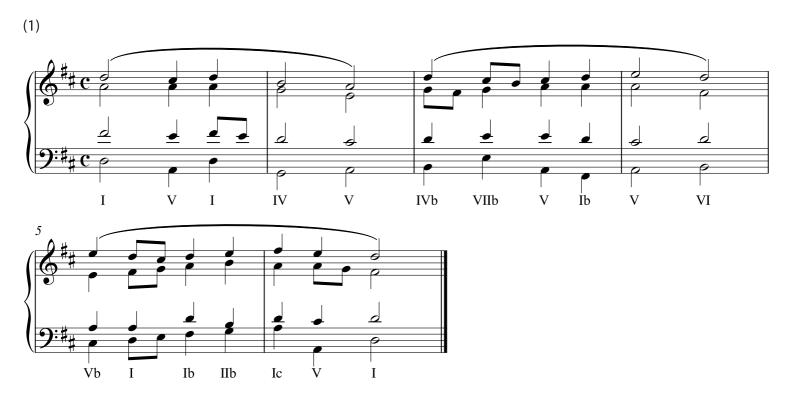
(3) Mark all passing notes in the following melodies with the letter P, and auxiliary notes with the letter A.

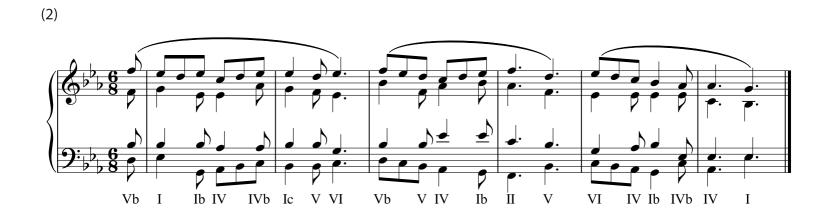


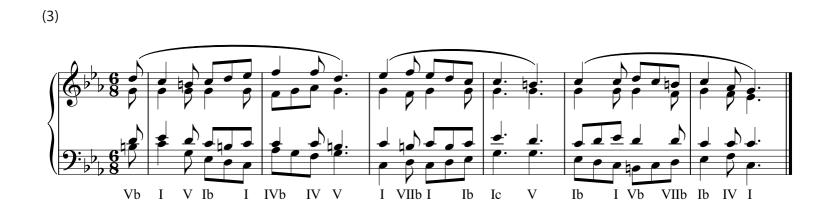
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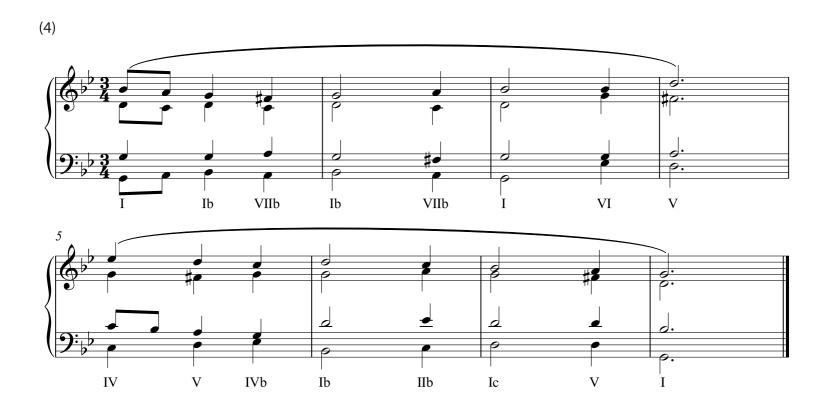
Lesson 7 – answers

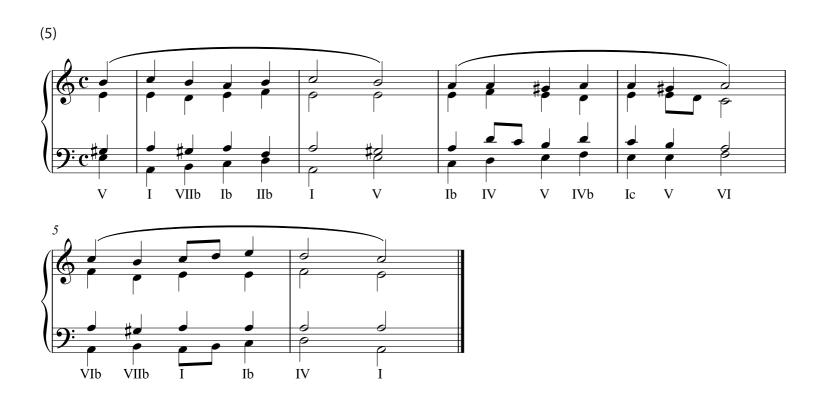
Harmonise the following melodies in four-part vocal style. Label the bass line with Roman numerals. Use the cadential Ic for preference. Add passing and auxiliary notes to the lower three parts where appropriate.

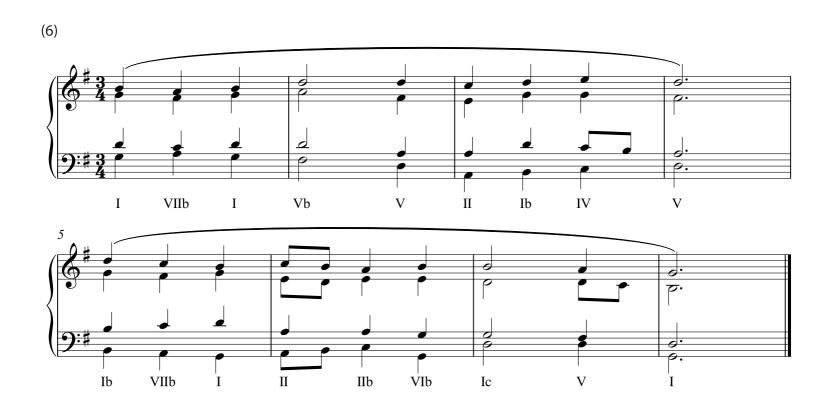












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Lesson 8 – answers

(1) Rewrite each of the following four-part vocal-style cadences in piano style.



VI

IV

I

I

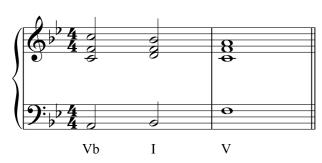
VI

IV

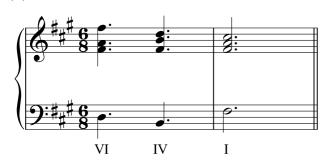
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(2) Write the following cadences in piano style.

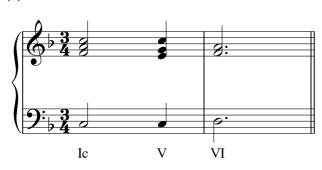




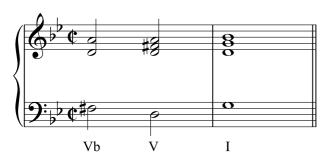
(b)



(c)



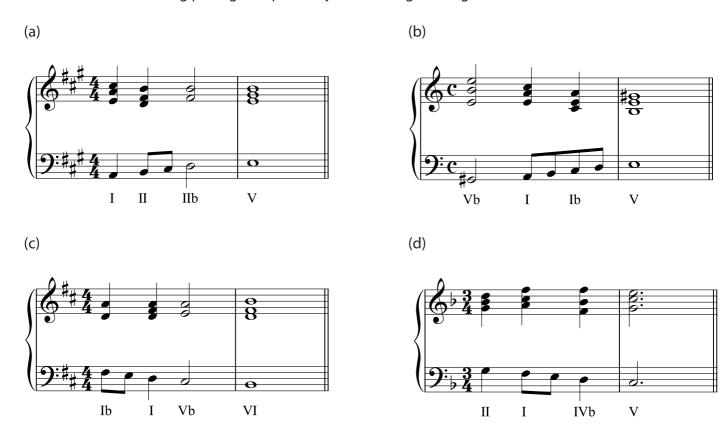
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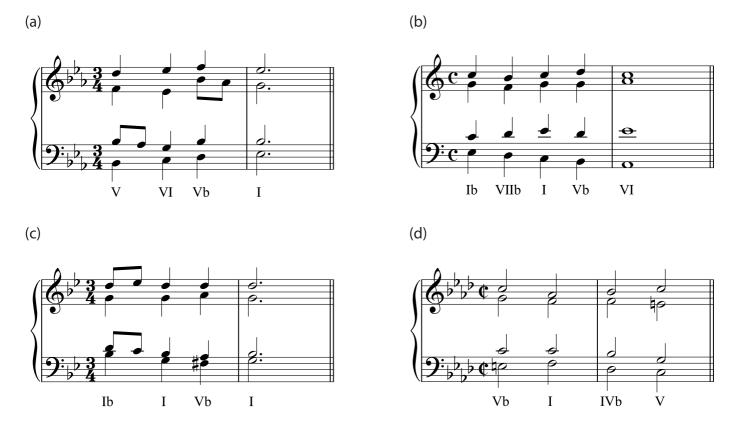
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Lesson 9 – answers

(1) Harmonise the following passages in piano style according to the given Roman numerals.



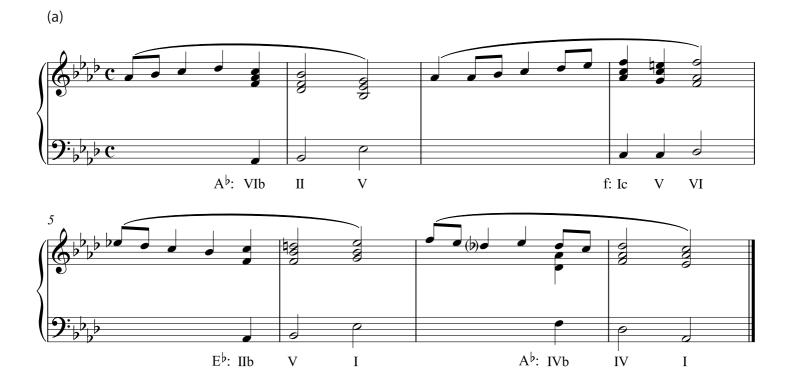
(2) Harmonise the following passages in four-part vocal style according to the given Roman numerals.

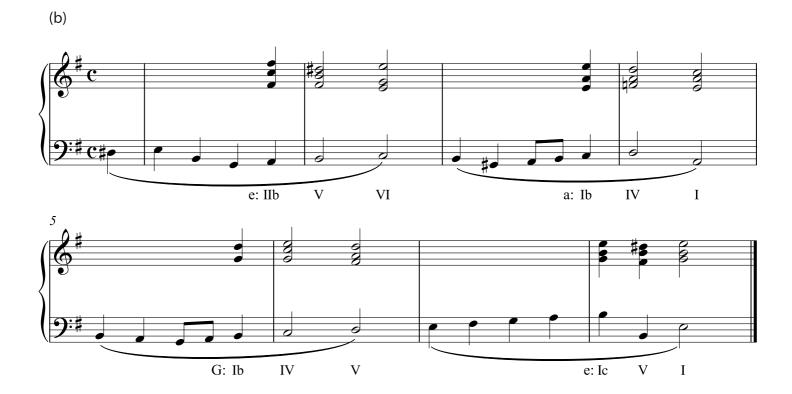


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Lesson 10 – answers

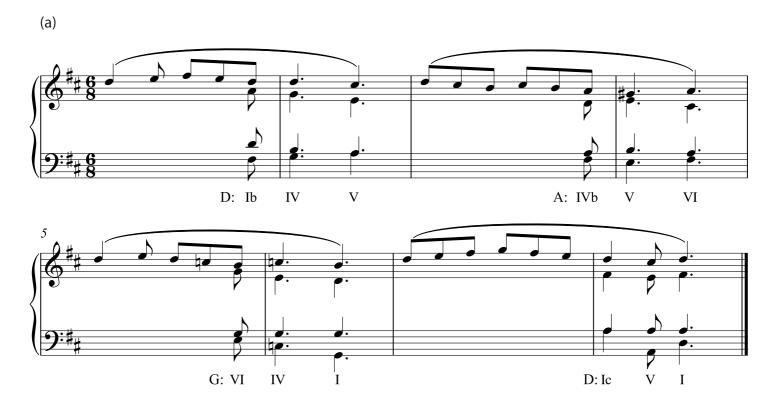
(1) Harmonise in piano style the cadences and approach chords in the following melody and unfigured bass lines, which modulate to closely related keys. Include one example of each of the four principal cadences.

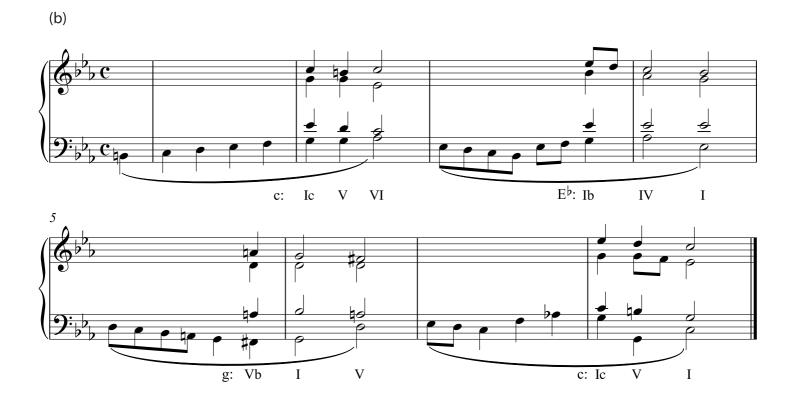




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(2) Harmonise in four-part vocal style the cadences and approach chords in the following melody and unfigured bass lines, which modulate to closely related keys. Include one example of each of the four principal cadences.





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Lesson 11 – answers

(1) Use the given openings to construct balanced 8-bar melodies. Mark the phrasing.



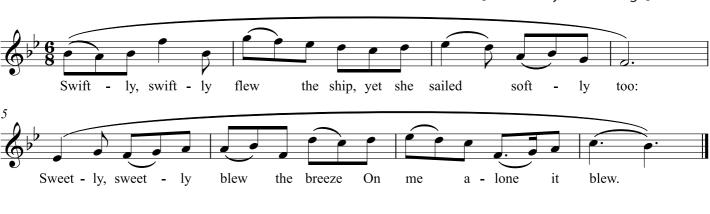
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Write melodies to the following quatrains. Choose appropriate keys and time signatures. Correctly place the text under the notes. Mark the phrasing. Modulation is optional.

(a)

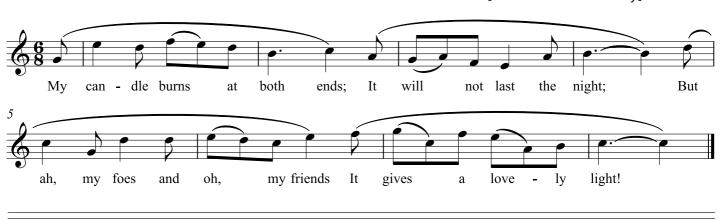
Swiftly, swiftly flew the ship,
Yet she sailed softly too:
Sweetly, sweetly blew the breeze—
On me alone it blew.

[Samuel Taylor Coleridge]



My candle burns at both ends;
It will not last the night;
But ah, my foes, and oh, my friends—
It gives a lovely light!

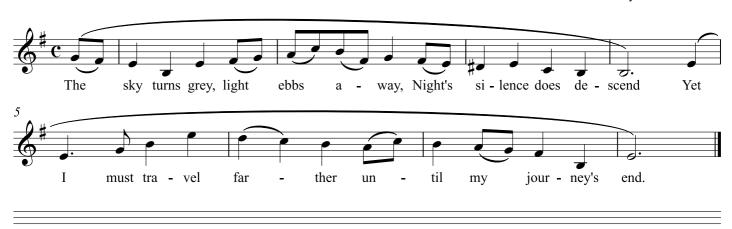




(c)

The sky turns grey, light ebbs away, Night's silence does descend, Yet I must travel farther, Until my journey's end.

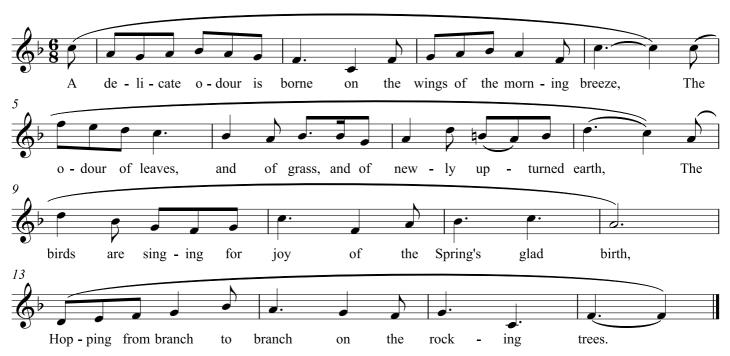
[Anonymous]



(d)

A delicate odour is borne on the wings of the morning breeze, The odour of leaves, and of grass, and of newly upturned earth, The birds are singing for joy of the Spring's glad birth, Hopping from branch to branch on the rocking trees.

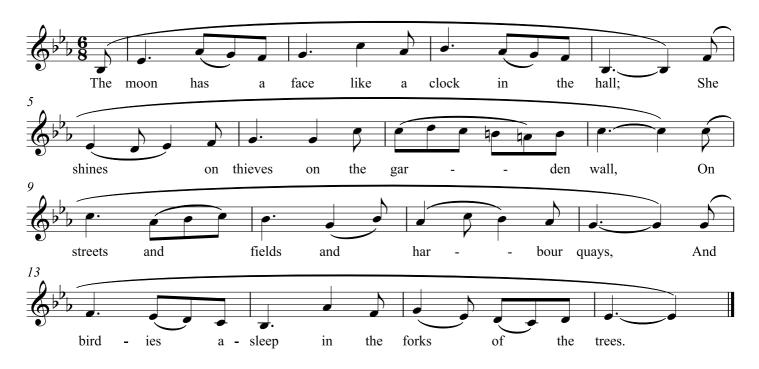
[Oscar Wilde]



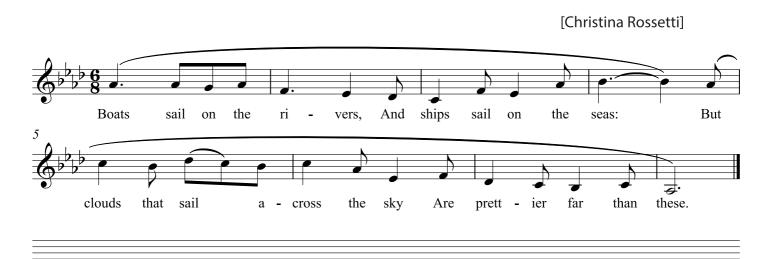
(e)

The moon has a face like the clock in the hall; She shines on thieves on the garden wall, On streets and fields and harbour quays, And birdies asleep in the forks of the trees.

[Robert Louis Stevenson]



Boats sail on the rivers,
And ships sail on the seas;
But clouds that sail across the sky
Are prettier far than these.



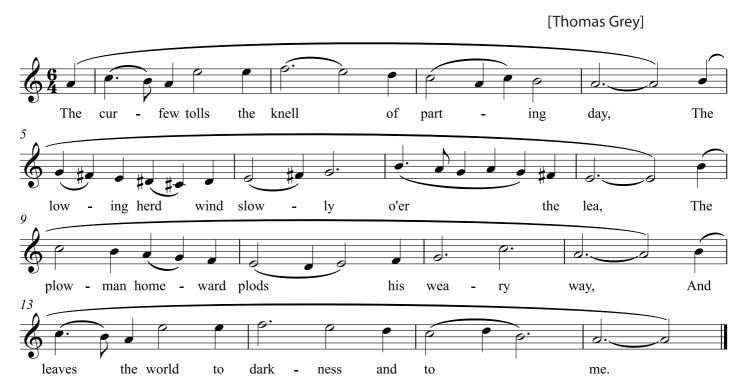
(g)

'Hope' is the thing with feathers -That perches in the soul -And sings the tune without the words -And never stops - at all -

> [Emily Dickinson] the And in soul

'Hope' the thing with fea - thers that perch - es sings the tune with all. out the words And at ne ver stops

(h) The curfew tolls the knell of parting day, The lowing herd wind slowly o'er the lea, The plowman homeward plods his weary way, And leaves the world to darkness and to me.

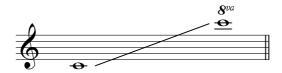


Lesson 12 - answers

- (1) The flute is referred to as being a transverse instrument. Explain what this means. Held sideways, to the right of the player.
- (2) In terms of the development of the flute, what improvements were made by the introduction of the Boehm system?

The improvements Boehm made to the flute were:

- Enlarged range
- Increased agility
- More security in chromatic passages
- (3) On the stave below, and using an appropriate clef, write the range of the flute.



- (4) (a) The oboe is a double reed instrument. Explain what this means.

 The characteristic sound of the oboe comes from a pair of reeds blown through at the top of the instrument. The two reeds are fastened together, but are curved slightly so that there is a slight gap between them, which causes them to vibrate against each other when the player blows through them.
 - (b) Which other woodwind instrument uses a double reed? The bassoon
 - (c) Which woodwind instrument uses a single reed? ____ The clarinet
- (5) On the stave below, and using an appropriate clef, write the range of the oboe.



- (6) Describe the tone of the oboe across its range.

 The tone of the oboe is hollow and reedy in the lowest part of its range, sweetly expressive in the middle, piercing and intense at the top.
- (7) When was the clarinet introduced into the symphony orchestra? The clarinet gradually found its way into the symphony orchestra in the Classical Period (1730-1820).
- (8) In the symphony orchestra, what are the two most commonly used clarinets? _______ Clarinet in B^{\flat} and Clarinet in A.
- (9) Clarinets are transposing instruments. Explain what this means.

 When a particular note is played on either the clarinet in B^b or clarinet in A, the sound does not match the same note played on a non-transposing instrument, such as the piano (which is often referred to as 'concert pitch'). Music for the clarinet in B^b is transposed up a tone to match non-transposing instruments; music for the clarinet in A is transposed up a minor third.
- (10) (a) The extract below is written for Clarinet in A. Rewrite it as it would sound. Use an appropriate key signature.

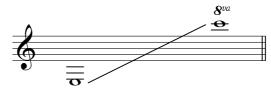


(b) The extract below is written at concert pitch.

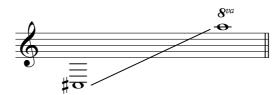
Rewrite it for Clarinet in B^{\flat} as it would appear in an orchestral score. Use an appropriate key signature.



(11) (i) On the stave below, and using an appropriate clef, give the written range of the Clarinet in A.



(ii) On the stave below, and using an appropriate clef, give the sounding (concert pitch) range of the Clarinet in A.



- (12) In relation to the range of the Clarinet, briefly describe the following terms:
 - (i) chalumeau Chalumeau refers to the lowest register of the clarinet, up to written

 Bb above middle C.
 - (ii) *clarion* Clarion refers to the middle register of the clarinet.
 - (iii) *altissimo* Altissimo refers to the highest register of the clarinet.
- In relation to the bassoon, what is a crook?

 A crook is the curved piece of metal that extends from the bassoon to the double reed, which goes into the players mouth.
- (14) On the stave below, and using appropriate clefs, give the range of the bassoon.



(15) The following passage for the bassoon is written in the bass clef.

Rewrite it in the tenor clef.



- Explain the term *embouchure* in relation to the woodwind instruments of the symphony orchestra.

 Each woodwind instrument has its own unique *embouchure*. This word refers to the use of the lips, teeth, tongue and facial muscles in the playing of the instrument. Proper *embouchure* allows the player to produce sound with good tone and correct intonation, and to securely produce notes throughout the instrument's range. *Embouchure* for the flute is based around the lower lip being placed a short distance from the *embouchure* hole, the activation of muscles around the lips and blowing across the hole. Correct *embouchure* for the clarinet is formed by rolling the lower lip over the teeth, pulling back the corners of the mouth and then resting the top teeth on the mouthpiece, which is in turn is covered by the upper lip to create a seal. This particular kind of *embouchure* is described as single lip *embouchure* in that the lower lip covers the lower set of teeth. *Embouchure* for the oboe and bassoon is double lip embouchure; both lips cover both sets of teeth, and the lips directly contact the reeds.
- (17) (a) Explain the term 'overblowing' in relation to the woodwind instruments of the symphony orchestra.

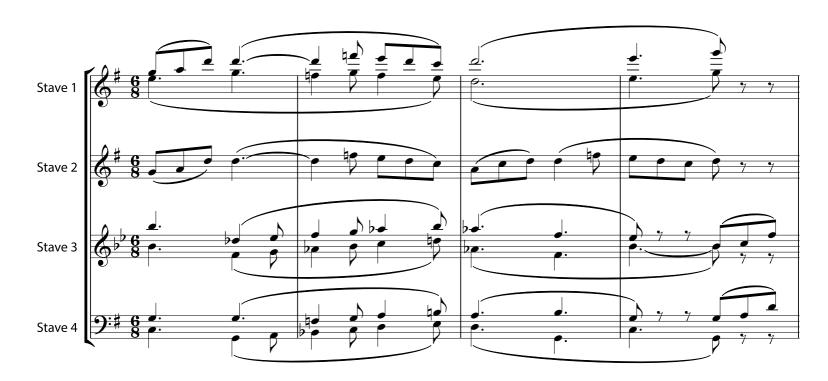
 **Overblowing* is a technique woodwind players use to reach notes higher up in their range. It involves increasing the air pressure, which causes the sounded pitch to jump to a higher one without a fingering change or the use of an extra key.
 - (b) Complete the following table.

Instrument	Overblows at which interval?
Flute	octave
Oboe	octave
Clarinet	twelfth
Bassoon	octave

(18) Tick the box that correctly applies to each instrument.

Instrument	Conical bore	Cylindrical bore
Flute		\checkmark
Oboe	✓	
Clarinet		✓
Bassoon	✓	

(19) Study the following extract, which is taken from an orchestral score by Vaughan Williams.



Remembering to identify the key of transposition where necessary (eg. Clarinet in B $^{\flat}$, Clarinet in A), name the woodwind instrument indicated by

Stave 1_	Flutes
Stave 2	Oboe
Stave 3	Clarinets in A
Stave 4	Bassoons

Lesson 13 – answers

- In a pair of Minuets, explain why the second Minuet came to be known as the Trio.

 From the seventeenth century on, the second of the two Minuets came to be referred to as the Trio. This word alludes to the practice, in instrumental music, of using three instruments alone for the Trio, often a pair of oboes and a bassoon. In other instrumental settings (keyboard music, for example), use of the word 'Trio' correspondingly came to refer to a lightening of texture and a change of mood or character, forming a contrast to the Minuet.
- (2) Explain compound ternary form as it applies to a Minuet and Trio.

 In the Baroque period, the standard form of the Minuet and Trio is often denoted as

 AA'BB'AA', where each of the first four sections are repeated in turn before moving to
 the next section. The last two sections (the return of AA') are not repeated. Sections

 A' and B' were often transposed or varied versions of the A section. Moving into the
 Classical period, it became standard for these sections to contrast further with the A and
 B sections, so much so that, while the overall compound ternary form is still observed, it
 is now better described as ABCDAB, where again, all sections are individually repeated
 apart from the final A and B sections.
- (3) If a Minuet is in G major, what keys might be expected in the Trio? G major, G minor, E minor, other related keys.

(4) The score below is a Minuet and Trio for keyboard by Haydn.



	(b)	The first section of the Minuet modulates to which key? G major (dominant)
	(c)	The second section of the Minuet ends in which key? C major (tonic)
	(d)	In which key is the Trio? G major
	(e)	In what form is the Trio? Binary form
	(f)	In the first section of the Trio, draw a circle around a chromatic passing note in the left hand.
	(g)	In the second section of the Trio, label a sequence.
	(h)	What is the name of the ornament used in bar 43?appoggiatura
	(i)	From the last beat of bar 42 to the end, the harmonies outlined are I-IV-Ic-V-I. In $\frac{3}{4}$ time, we would
		expect Ic to be on the first beat of the bar, which is the strongest. What rhythmic device is Haydn
		using here, and why?
		Hemiola – to emphasise the conclusion of the Trio section.
	(j)	In the <i>da capo</i> of the Minuet, would repeats be customarily observed? Yes or No? No
(6)		n two composers are most associated with the transformation of Minuet and Trio movements into zo and Trio movements?
		zo and Trio movements?
	Ha	ydn, Beethoven
(7)		ms of length, time and character, discuss the kinds of transformations these composers made to firmly lish Scherzo and Trio form.
	Hay	dn, in his String Quartets Op. 33, first began to use the word Scherzo to describe
	the	third movement. Scherzo is the Italian word for 'joke', so Haydn was signalling that
	he v	vanted the Minuet to become something more playful and humorous than it had
	prev	viously been. However, it was Beethoven who firmly established the Scherzo as
	an a	Iternative to the Minuet and Trio. From his earliest works, the Scherzo regularly
	app	ears as an alternative to the Minuet and Trio. Beethoven's Scherzos are light, often
	hum	norous, and almost always fast, or very fast. To bring humour to the music, Beethoven
	wou	ld often use accents that went against the prevailing metre, syncopations, and
	rapi	d changes of dynamic and texture. In Beethoven's symphonies, the scale and the
	imp	ortance of the Scherzo began to change, as did its character. In symphonies 4
	and	7 the Trios appear twice: in Symphony No 9 the Scherzo appears as the second

In what form is the Minuet? ___Binary form

(a)

movement, and the proportions are now such that the Scherzo has grown to such an extent that it balances the other movements in length. Beethoven also wrote Scherzos in $\frac{2}{4}$ time or $\frac{4}{4}$ time, changing its character even further.

- (8) Name two composers of the Romantic Period who wrote Scherzos as independent works for piano.

 Chopin, Brahms
- (9) Explain how these works build on Scherzo and Trio form as established in the Classical Period.
 - Retaining the ternary design of the Classical Scherzo but expansion of formal dimensions and therefore length
 - Tempi often pushed out to presto
 - Extreme contrasts of texture, mood, tonality
 - Piano writing often highly virtuosic
- (10) Name one composer who wrote a Scherzo as an independent orchestral work.

 Richard Strauss, Paul Dukas etc.

Lesson 14 - answers

(1) In writing a Theme and Variations, composers have a variety of pre-existing music they can use as a starting point. Make a list of some of what these sources might be.

Popular song , work by other composer, work by same composer, simple motive, sequence of harmonies, bass line alone etc.

(2) In a Theme and Variations written for keyboard, list ways in which a composer may vary the Theme in the Variations.

Any of:

- elaborating and extending the Theme through the use of smaller note values,
 including ornamentation
- reversing the hands, or swapping lines from one instrument to another if more than
 one instrument is used
- enriching the harmonies though devices such as chromaticism, added notes
- using imitation or contrapuntal processes
- varying rhythm and/or metre
- changes of register
- textural changes
- use of relative keys, modulation
- use of tonic minor/major
- changes of tempo
- changes of mood or character
- changes of articulation
- changes of dynamic etc.

(3) The following extract is from the Theme in a set of keyboard variations by Mozart.



Briefly discuss the character of the Theme.

The Theme is a simple, cheerful, 8-bar melody in G major over an Alberti bass with mostly tonic and dominant harmony.

Here is the first Variation:



How has the Theme been varied?

The right hand has been elaborated out into semiquaver patterns (scales, arpeggios) which explore a wider registral space than the Theme; from bar 3 onwards the RH is consistently an octave higher than the same bars in the Theme. Some use of chromatic auxiliaries (bar 3, 7). The LH is now fashioned into two-note chords that like the RH, explores a wider registral space. Rests are also used in the LH in bars 2, 4, giving the RH momentary solos at those points. In the Theme, the LH is the more active part; in the first variation, the RH is now the more active part. Texture is fuller and brighter than in the Theme.

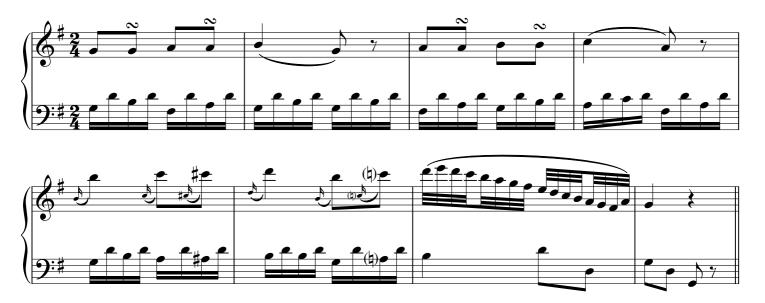
Here is the second Variation:



How has the Theme been varied in this Variation?

Simplification of melody (quavers removed). The key has changed to the tonic minor, G minor. The contour of the RH of the Theme is retained, however with appogiature in bar 7 and further changes in bar 8. This variation has quite a different harmonic plan: the use of a chordal accompaniment continues on from the first variation however there is use of chromaticism and a modulation to the relative major, B^b in bars 7-8. Contrary motion between the hands also becomes a feature of this variation.

Here is the third Variation:



How has the Theme been varied in this Variation?

The third variation returns to the tonic key, however there is a change in time signature. In the first four bars, the RH follows the contour of the Theme, with the addition of turns on each repeated quaver. In bars 5-8, the contour of the Theme is preserved, albeit an octave

higher and with octave *appoggiature*. A downward scale flourish in bar 7 finishes the third variation in the same octave as the Theme. The LH, following the Theme, is mostly Alberti bass. Chromaticism is used in bar 5 in both hands (C^{\sharp} in the RH, A^{\sharp} in the LH) and there is a change of register.

(4) What large-scale works could feature a Theme and Variations as part of a movement, or as an entire movement?

Any of:

- Piano sonatas
- Symphonies
- String quartets
- Chamber music: sonatas, trios, quartets, quintets etc.
- (5) In an orchestral Theme and Variations, describe ways in which the composer can use changes of instrumentation to enlarge the scope of variation.

Any of:

- Contrast of solo instruments with groups of instruments, whole orchestra
- Changes of texture
- Shifts of register
- Use of different instrument families (one variation strings, the other wind, e.g.)
- Contrasts of articulation etc.
- (6) Give an example of a work that is a stand-alone Theme and Variations for orchestra.

Brahms: Variations on a theme by Haydn, Elgar: Enigma variations, Tchaikovsky: Rococo

variations, Britten: Young person's quide to the orchestra etc.

Lesson 15 - answers

- (1) Define the term aria.An aria is a solo song with instrumental accompaniment.
- (2) What is meant by the term *continuo*?

 Continuo refers to any instrument or instruments capable of playing the bass line and harmonies specified by the composer.
- (3) In the Baroque period, what kind of instruments might be found in a *continuo*?

 A *continuo* can include keyboard instruments such as the organ or harpsichord, plucked stringed instruments such as the lute, theorbo or harp, and stringed instruments such as the cello, or lower members of the viola da gamba family. In the eighteenth century, *continuo* could also be supplied by the fortepiano the precursor to the modern piano.
- In the Baroque Period (c.1600-c.1750), the *continuo* part was notated simply as a bass line with a system of numbers (or 'figures') written underneath. These numbers were a kind of musical shorthand that informed the player/s which chords should be used above each bass note. If the *continuo* part was played on a keyboard instrument, the player would play the bass line with the left hand and fill out the harmonies as specified by the figures with the right hand, providing a full harmonisation to support the other melodic line/s. This system of notation is referred to as a 'figured bass'.
- (5) What is a da capo aria?

 A da capo aria is essentially a ternary form, where the B section was music of a contrasting nature (often faster, more dramatic). The outer A sections were often in triple time and the inner B section was in duple time.
- (6) In what kind of large-scale works might an aria be found?

 Any of: Opera, oratorio, cantata or passion.
- (7) What is the function of arias in such works?
 Arias are often dramatically static; giving the singer a chance to reflect on the action,
 portray emotion, display the beauty and/or agility of their voice, after which they perhaps
 left the stage.

- Briefly explain why the *da capo* aria became limiting to composers in the late-18th century.

 There were three main reasons for the turn away from the use of the *da capo* aria in the late-18th century. Firstly, it had become a mere display vehicle for the soloist. Secondly, *da capo* arias, one after the other, often worked against the escalating drama in the plot.

 Lastly, there was the problem of *da capo* arias constantly repeating the same text.
- (9) Make a list of some of the standard forms in which arias may be composed.

Any of:

- Binary
- Da capo
- Strophic
- Rondo
- Cavatina
- Cabaletta
- Through-composed etc.
- (10) Define the term recitative.

Recitative could be considered as sung speech.

(11) What is the function of recitative in large-scale works?

Recitative carries the dialogue and advances the plot. As such, the pace of recitative is often quite fast, reflecting the natural pace and tone of speech.

- (12) What is meant by the term recitativo secco?
 - Recitativo secco ('dry recitative') has simple chordal accompaniment, which gives the singer freedom to declaim the text as closely to natural speech as they prefer. While the rhythm can be varied, the pitches must be followed.
- (13) What is meant by the term *recitativo accompagnato* (or *recitativo stromentato*)?

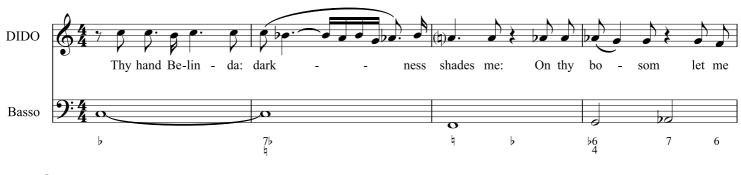
 **Recitativo accompagnato (or stromentato) has an instrumental or orchestral accompaniment.
- (14) Discuss the differences between recitativo secco and recitativo accompagnato.

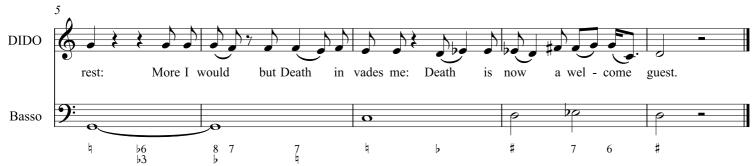
Compared to recitativo secco, recitativo accompagnato has:

- A more developed accompaniment
- Stricter rhythm
- A more emotional character; so it is used at dramatic moments

- (15) Discuss how scenes are constructed in opera through the progression of recitative into aria.

 Scenes are often constructed from passages of recitativo secco, which lead into passages of recitativo accompagnato, which in turn lead into arias.
- (16) What kind of recitative is observed in the following example? _____ Recitativo secco

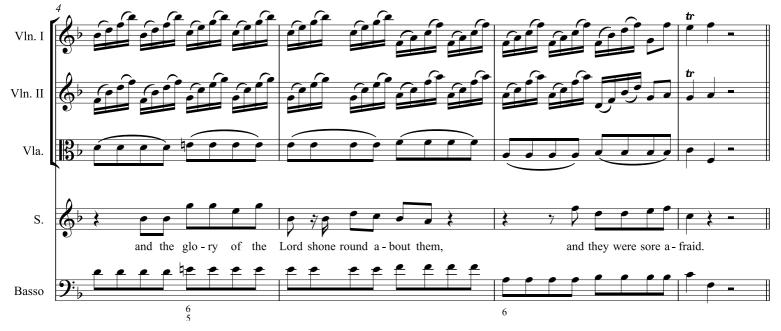




Give reasons for your choice.

- Simple chordal accompaniment as implied by the single bass line with figures underneath
- Both the singer and continuo player/s have freedom of rhythm, both in terms of tempo and use of the specified rhythms. Continuo also has freedom in how chords are voiced, for example.
- (17) What kind of recitative is observed in the following example? Recitativo accompagnato





Give reasons for your choice.

- Instrumental accompaniment, with arpeggio figures in the violins and repeated quaver patterns in the viola.
- Strict rhythm.
- Vocal line lyrical in quality and higher than would usually be found in recit. secco.
- Both the text and the accompaniment convey a sense of escalating drama.
- (18) What kind of vocal music is observed in the following example? Aria



Give reasons for your choice.

- Full orchestral accompaniment
- Driving rhythm
- Soloists line is virtuosic in character, text lines rhyme

Appendix: Grade 5 practice exam

YOUR CANDIDATE NUMBER



The Universities of Melbourne, Adelaide and Western Australia, The Minister for Education in New South Wales,
The Minister for Education and Skills in Tasmania, through the University of Tasmania
and the Minister for Education in Queensland

Theory - Grade 5

Time allowed: Three hours

Write your candidate number in the space at the top of this paper. Write your answers neatly and clearly on this paper and return it to the Supervisor.

Question 1	Question 1 KEYS AND SCALES Total Marks 10	
		5
A		5

Write the scale of G^b major.

- Do not write a key signature. Use accidentals.
- Use minims.
- Write one octave ascending and then one octave descending.
- Mark each tone with a slur.
- Complete the scale with a double barline.



Name these scales.

(i)



A^b melodic minor

(ii)



F[#] major

C

3

(i) Write the key signature of C^{\flat} major.

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(ii) Write the key signature of D^{\sharp} minor.





(iii) Name the minor key that has this key signature.





G[#] minor

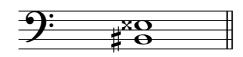
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Name these intervals by number and quality.

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(ii)



augmented 4th

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Write these intervals as directed.

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diminished 3rd below

(ii)



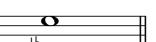
minor 6th above

C

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(i) Write the inversion of this interval and then name the inversion. 2

Original interval



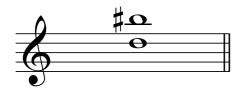
Inversion



augmented 2nd

Place a tick (\checkmark) in the box that correctly identifies this interval: (ii)





major 6th

augmented 6th

minor 7th

diminished 8ve

This melody modulates from the tonic key twice. Name

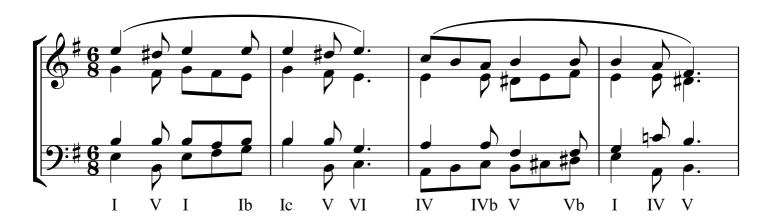
- the original key.
- the key of each modulation.
- the relationship of each modulation to the original key.

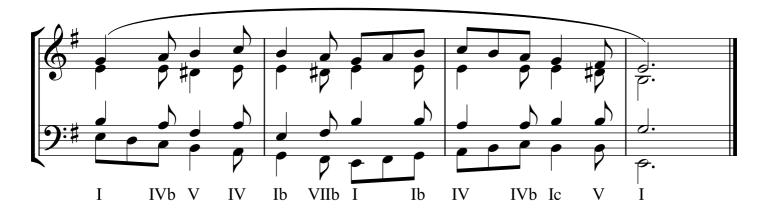


Tonic key	C minor
First modulation Relationship to the original key	F minor subdominant
Second modulation Relationship to the original key	E ^þ major relative major

A 20

Harmonise the following melody in four-part vocal style. Make use of unaccented passing and auxiliary notes.

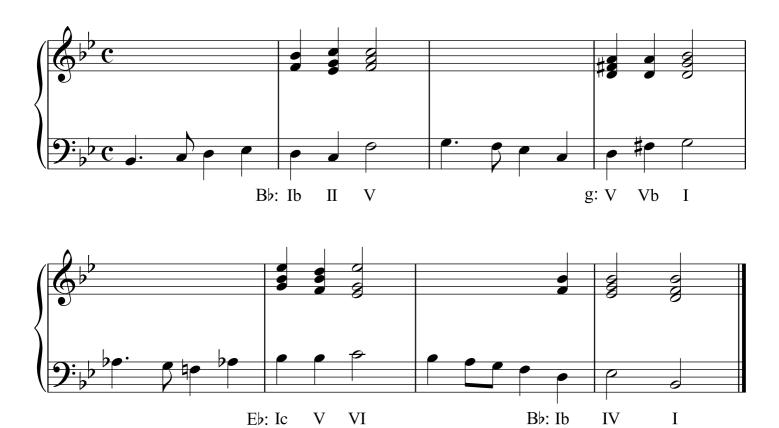




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In pianoforte style, harmonise the notes above each of the four brackets with a cadence and an approach chord. The passage includes modulation to related keys. Show one example of each of the four principal cadences.

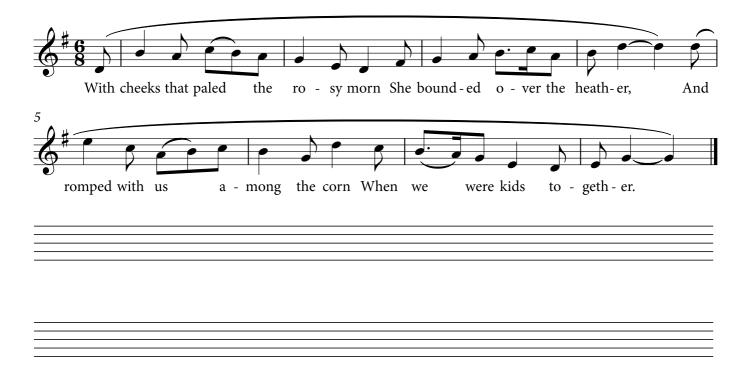


Write a melody in G major to the following stanza of poetry.

- Write the words clearly under the notes.
- Use hyphens for words of more than one syllable.
- Mark the phrasing.
- Modulation is optional.

With cheeks that paled the rosy morn She bounded o'er the heather, And romped with us among the corn When we were kids together.

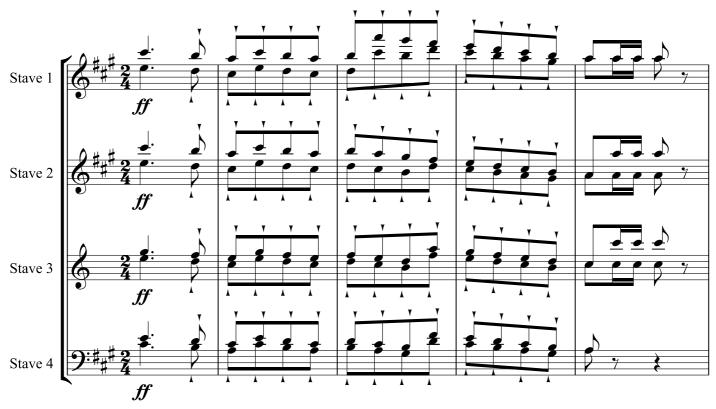
[O'Brien: Laughing Mary]



Α

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Study this orchestral excerpt.



Which woodwind instruments are indicated by

Stave 2 Oboes
Stave 3 Clarinets in A

B 5

(i) Name one woodwind instrument that has octave/speaker keys. Oboe/Clarinet/Bassoon 1

(ii) What is the name given to the lowest register of the clarinet? *chalumeau* 1

(iii) Does the bassoon have a crook? Yes or No?

(iv) Does the flute overblow at the octave? Yes or No?

(v) Does the oboe have a conical bore? Yes or No?

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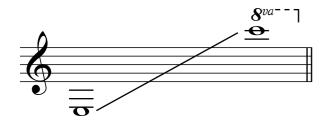
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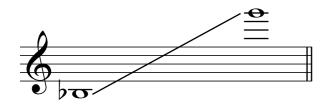
(i) Using an appropriate clef, write the written range of the clarinet in A.

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(ii) Using an appropriate clef, write the range of the oboe.

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(iii) This melody is written for the bassoon. Rewrite it in the treble clef.

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Question 7	FORM	Total Marks 20	

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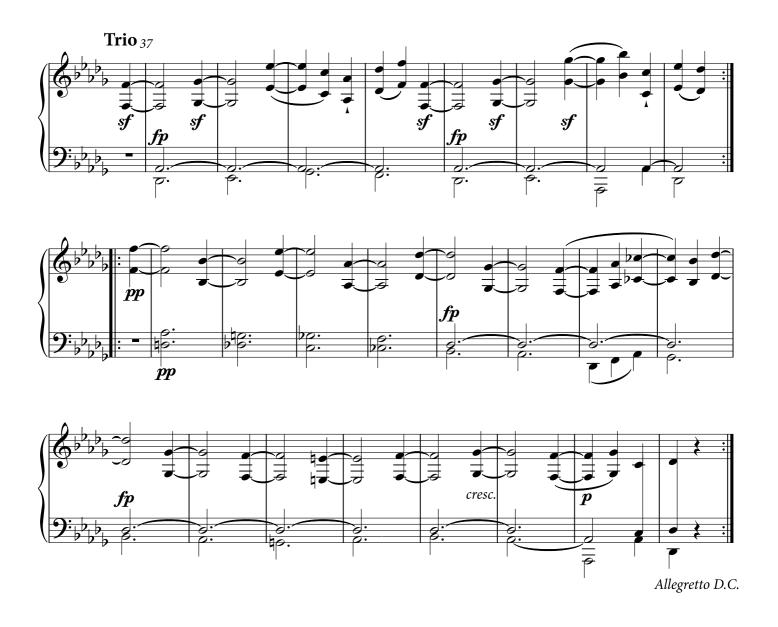
Study the following music, which is the second movement of a piano sonata by Beethoven.

Discuss the character of the Minuet and then describe how the Trio contrasts to the Minuet.

 Minuet: Graceful, melodious, almost humourous with chords e.g. bars 2-4. Tie over bar
 (10-12, 14-15) contrasts with <i>staccatissimo</i> chords underneath. Bars 9-16 feature a dis-
 placement of the pulse one crotchet back. Mostly soft and gentle.
 Trio: Less melodious. More ponderous with low chords, melodic movements in RH in
 8ves, sustained notes, no rests. The relatively long harmonic anticipations give a heavy
 feel. Contrasted to the suspensions in the minuet which give forward momentum, the
 anticipations weigh down. Use of $s\!f$ and $f\!p$ articulations.

Minuet





В

6

Study the extract below, which is the theme and two variations from a piano work by Mozart. Describe how the theme has been treated in each of the variations.

In Variation I, the contour of the melody is somewhat changed (e.g. in bars 10 & 14, the contour rises rather than falls), and the ornamentation is different. Much of the Theme is elaborated out into semiquaver patterns. The LH is much the same, although quaver and semiquaver patterns are introduced, as are chords in bar 7. More a two-part texture than the melody and accompaniment texture of the Theme.

In Variation II, the RH is developed into an unbroken stream of triplets, with some variation in the melodic contour and with variation of articulation (e.g. the slur-staccato pattern in bar 19) applied. The LH has some passages of two-part writing which bring harmonic variety, and some emphatic octaves to join the two phrases.











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(i) In terms of function within large-scale works, discuss the differences between recitative and aria.	3
Recitative - advance plot	
Aria - reflect on action, establish mood, reveal something of the character	
singing, display virtuosity of singer	
(ii) Name three forms commonly used for arias.	
Any of: through-composed, <i>da capo</i> aria, binary, <i>ritornello</i> form, cabaletta	3
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(iii) Explain <i>recitativo stromentato</i> . Accompanied recitiative, instruments in addition to the <i>continuo</i> would	2
accompany the singer(s), often more dramatic	