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**Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptions for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:**

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:**

Marks awarded are always **whole marks** (not half marks, or other fractions).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:**

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

**GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:**

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.








**Annotations guidance for centres**

Examiners use a system of annotations as a shorthand for communicating their marking decisions to one another. Examiners are trained during the standardisation process on how and when to use annotations. The purpose of annotations is to inform the standardisation and monitoring processes and guide the supervising examiners when they are checking the work of examiners within their team. The meaning of annotations and how they are used is specific to each component and is understood by all examiners who mark the component.


We publish annotations in our mark schemes to help centres understand the annotations they may see on copies of scripts. Note that there may not be a direct correlation between the number of annotations on a script and the mark awarded. Similarly, the use of an annotation may not be an indication of the quality of the response.


The annotations listed below were available to examiners marking this component in this series.


**Annotations**

<b>Annotation</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
	Omission
	Benefit of the doubt
	Incorrect point
	No benefit of doubt given
	Used to show that blank pages have been seen and any creditworthy material has been awarded
	Indicates a correct statement has been noted, but it depends on the total marks available in the mark scheme whether credit has been given
	Too vague

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	3	1
1(b)	Adagio / lento / largo / grave	1
2	The RH doubles the voice [1] an octave higher [1] with some ornamentation / turns The LH plays a walking bass line (accept any description) [1] in quavers / shorter notes [1].	2
3	Minor key [1], diminished (seventh)/German sixth chords (accept dissonance) [1], louder dynamic/crescendo [1], chromaticism / moving in <u>semitones</u> [1], rising in pitch [1], fast piano repetitions of chords/semi-quavers [1], pauses [1], lower piano part [1].	3
4	Regular/balanced/periodic phrasing / homophonic texture	1
5(a)	C minor	1
5(b)	By clarinet and oboe in unison	1
6	There are <u>short</u> / <u>detached</u> (accept staccato) <u>chords</u> [1] played on each beat / in crotchets [1] (and an answering motif after four bars [1]).	2
7	The melody is played by violins / strings / not wind [1], and it is more flowing / legato [1]. There is a modulation to a major key [1] but then it immediately returns to the minor [1]. It is louder / the texture is fuller / more instruments play / the melody is doubled in octaves [1]. The accompaniment plays on each quaver beat (accept plays on the off-beat / is twice as fast etc) [1]. There is a short trumpet interjection (accept any description) every two bars [1].	3
8	Tchaikovsky	1
9	Balafon/xylophone	1
10	There is call and response [1] <u>between</u> the instruments and the voices [1]. The voices sing in unison [1] and the instrumental and vocal phrases are mostly the same [1]. The music is pentatonic [1] with use of ostinato/repetition [1] and significant dynamic contrasts [1]. There are hand claps (on the beat) during the instrumental sections [1] and some instruments play quietly/double the melody during the vocal sections [1]. Accept 2/4, 4/4 [1]	4
11	Africa	1
12	Charangos [1] play strummed / chords and a (bombo) drum is played on each beat [1].	2
13	The melody instrument changes (to flutes) [1] and the melody is doubled in thirds [1]. The melody is much higher [1] and more legato [1]. The chords change more quickly / the harmonic rhythm is faster [1].	2
14(a)	Latin America / Peru / Andes	1
14(b)	Panpipes [1]. Syncopated melody [1]. Fast tempo / lively music [1]. If not already stated: charangos [1] / melody doubled in thirds [1].	1

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15(a)	It is pentatonic [1] but makes use of passing /leading notes / tones (so there are six different pitches) [1].	2								
15(b)	It is heterophonic [1]. The instruments play in octaves [1] with individual decoration / tremolo etc [1].	2								
16	The tempo increases with each passage [1] and the music is more complex / virtuosic [1] but the ending is in free time [1]. The music is in 4/4 / quadruple time [1] but the final section is in 2/4 metre [1]. The use of the ban (wooden clapper) to keep the beat [1]. A mix of string and wind instruments [1]. Melody played by dizi / dizi is the leading instrument in the ensemble [1].	4								
17	The music is performed by amateur musicians (who play for recreation) [1]. Groups meet in tea-houses (and/or community centres) [1]. Members take it in turns to play / only one instrument is played at once [1]. (Other patrons may listen to the music or may simply ignore the group [1])	2								
18	Minor [1] sixth [1] (mark for minor only if sixth is correct)	2								
19	In bars 9 – 14: The horns/timpani don't play / only the strings (and continuo) play / there are fewer instruments / it is quieter [1] It is in the dominant / (a fourth) lower [1] It has the same melody/rhythm [1]	3								
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21	The texture is thinner / (initially) there are only two parts / only the violins play / there are no bass instruments [1]. The melody is freely decorated / ornamented (on the repeat) [1]. The melody is much lower in pitch [1] and generally descends [1]. It is in the (tonic) minor [1].	3								
22(a)	Minuet	1								
22(b)	Triple time [1], moderately fast [1], contrasting trio section [1]	1								
23(a)	Baroque	1								
23(b)	(Basso) continuo/harpsichord [1], terraced dynamics [1], hemiola [1], ornamentation [1].	2								
24(a)	Trio	1								

Question	Answer	Marks
24(b)	Tonic major	1
25	It is fugal style [1]. The theme is announced by cellos/basses [1]. The violas/bassoons imitate [1] in the dominant [1]. The 2 <sup>nd</sup> violins are next [1] on C/in the tonic/as the cellos and basses [1], followed more swiftly/in the manner of stretto [1] by the 1 <sup>st</sup> violins. The imitation by the violins is shortened [1].	4
26	 <p>One mark per note</p>	2
27	<i>ff</i> dynamic [1], dotted rhythms [1], strong presence of brass/trumpets/horns/trombones [1], quadruple time signature [1], strong tonic and dominant harmonies [1], opening rising triad/like a fanfare [1], short/clipped notes/separated by rests [1].	3
28(a)	1 <sup>st</sup> subject 2 <sup>nd</sup> theme	1
28(b)	Reduced orchestration/played by horns and wind [1] Generally longer note values / more sustained/legato [1] Reference to the nature of the accompaniment [1], e.g. prominent quaver arpeggio underneath the tied semibreves rather than the basically homorhythmic opening.	1
29(a)	Transition	1
29(b)	To modulate	1
30	1808	1
31	The wind / flutes imitate / repeat the music / melody from the previous bar [1] an <u>octave</u> higher [1].	2
32(a)	Second subject	1
32(b)	B flat (major)	1
32(c)	Dominant	1
33(a)	It had keys	1
33(b)	It uses stepwise [1] and chromatic [1] movement, which would not have been possible (in this register) on a natural trumpet which only had access to the notes of the harmonic series [1].	2
34	Tonic pedal	1
35(a)	Second subject	1

Question	Answer	Marks
35(b)	It is repeated twice [1] (the third playing is piano [1]); then it is played in diminution [1] starting on different pitches [1] for three bars; this is then repeated [1].	3
36	 <p>One mark per note</p>	2
37	(Anton) Weidinger	1