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Question Number	Answer	Mark
1(a)	B - 1970s	1
Question Number	Answer	Mark
1(b)	A - 76	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
2	Award <b>one</b> mark for a valid response.	1
	Harmonica	
	Mouth organ	
	Melodica	
	French harp	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3	<ul> <li>Award one mark for a valid response.</li> <li>Spread chord</li> <li>Arpeggiated chord</li> </ul>	1
	<ul> <li>Broken chord</li> <li>Accept markings:</li> </ul>	
	<b>=</b>	
	Also accept strummed chord.	
	Accept any other valid response including descriptions.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
4	Award one mark for a valid response.  Gentle Soft Mellow Smooth Melancholic With depth  Accept any other valid response.	1
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
5	Award <b>one</b> mark for each valid response up to a maximum of <b>three</b> marks.	З
	<ul><li>Snare/side/rim</li><li>Kick/bass</li></ul>	
	Hi Hat	
	<ul><li>Toms</li><li>Wood block/temple block/claves</li></ul>	
	Allow cymbal. Accept any other valid description of these parts of the drum kit.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
6	Award one mark for each valid response up to 2 marks.  Bowing/arco Vibrato Legato/slurred Unison Sustained notes Countermelody/melody Accompanies vocal Mostly stepwise movement Reverb Soft/quiet/lower in the mix	2
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
7	Award <b>one</b> mark for a valid response.	1
	Repeat/copy/imitate/echo end of lead line	
	<ul> <li>Lead sustains note with harmonised backing vocals added</li> </ul>	
	Backing vocals melody higher pitched	
	Call and response/answer	
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
8	<ul> <li>Award one mark for an accurate description of each benefit and one mark for subsequent explanation up to four marks.</li> <li>Allows a single artist (1) to perform different parts (1)</li> <li>Could be used to double vocals (1) giving the track more depth (1)</li> <li>Thickens the texture (1) through building vocal harmonies (1)</li> <li>Multiple layers of the same part (1) allow selective/creative production (1)</li> <li>Using the same vocal tone for all parts (1) provides greater timbral consistency (1)</li> </ul> Accept any other valid response.	1 + 1 1 + 1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
9(a)	Award <b>one</b> mark for a valid response.	1
	Sax/saxophone	
	Award for reference to either of the above, regardless of any prefix (e.g. Alto sax, Tenor saxophone).	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
9(b)	Award one mark for a valid response.  Syncopation Swung rhythm Rubato Dotted rhythm Triplet Offbeat	1
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
9(c)	<ul> <li>Award one mark for a valid response.</li> <li>Note bends</li> <li>Fall-offs</li> <li>Slurs</li> <li>Legato tonguing</li> <li>Grace notes/acciaccaturas/appoggiatura</li> <li>Vibrato</li> </ul> Accept any other valid response.	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
10	Award <b>one</b> mark for an accurate reason and <b>one</b> mark for subsequent description relating to audio quality up to a maximum of <b>two</b> marks.	1 + 1
	<ul> <li>Reduction of plosives (1) which reduces unwanted 'pops' (1)</li> <li>No Ps and Bs (1) to cut down low frequency problems (1)</li> <li>Cuts out issues on the low end (1) to make cleaner recording (1)</li> <li>Encourages the vocalist to be more consistent with mic technique (1) capturing more dynamic performance (1)</li> </ul> Do not accept 'clearer' sound.	
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
Number 11	Award <b>one</b> mark for each valid response and <b>one</b> mark for subsequent explanation up to a maximum of <b>four</b> marks.  • Change of key/modulates (1) upwards (1) • More instruments are playing (1) creating a thicker texture (1) • Backing vocals are prominent in the mix (1) giving a wider dynamic range (1) • More vocal layers (1) enriches the harmonies (1) • More drum fills (1) creates a fuller and denser sound (1) • Music suddenly stops (1) consolidating the build (1) • Addition of strings (1) using full/whole bow in legato (1) • Dynamics slightly louder up to the pause (1) making the following silence more of a stark contrast (1) • Increased reverb (1) leaves the climax hanging (1) • Pitch becomes higher (1) increasing the tessitura (1) • Repetition of melodic line sung by the vocal (1) emphatically restates the message (1) • Accents on the piano and drums at 3:12 (1) creates increased emphasis (1).	1+11+1
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
12(a)	C – Ska	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
12(b)	B - 4/4	1

Answer	Mark
B – Percussion	1

Question Number	Answer	Mark
13(b)	<ul> <li>Award one mark for a valid response.</li> <li>Ostinato</li> <li>Riff</li> <li>Repetition</li> <li>Straight rhythm/quavers</li> </ul>	1
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
	Award <b>one</b> mark for a valid response.	
14		1
	Skank	
	Syncopation	
	Do not credit off-beat.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
15	Award <b>one</b> mark for each valid response and <b>one</b> mark for subsequent explanation up to <b>two</b> marks.  Sax plays a solo (1) which includes syncopation/rubato (1)  Phase guitar drops out (1) leaving a cleaner sound (1)  Thinner texture (1) focuses on the solo instrument (1)  Bass part moves to double time (1) to add pace (1)  Delay/pitch shift/reverb on snare (1) adds depth to rhythm (1)  Percussion interject sporadically (1) creating a wider timbral field (1)  Vocal 'ch-cha' at the ends of phrases (1) provides a lively interjection (1)  Chord pattern changes (1) creating a contrast from the rest of the piece (1)  Bass ostinato changes (1) to include more movement (1)	1 + 1
	Accept any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
16	Award <b>one</b> mark for each valid response and <b>one</b> mark for valid description up to <b>two</b> marks.	1+1
	Delay/echo (1)	
	Valid description:	
	<ul> <li>To add texture (1)</li> <li>To add rhythmic interest (1)</li> <li>To emphasise the last word in phrase (1)</li> <li>To give impression of reflection (1)</li> <li>To give the impression of space within the room (1)</li> <li>Applied to the end of the line each time (1)</li> <li>Used as a spot effect on single words (1)</li> </ul>	
	Do not accept reverb.	
	Award any other valid response including descriptions of delay/echo.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark	
17	Award <b>one</b> mark for a valid response up to a maximum of three marks.		
	Introduction		
	Verse		
	Instrumental link		
	Verse		
	Instrumental link		
	Instrumental solo		
	Refrain		
	Verse		
	Instrumental link		
	Instrumental solo		
	Verse		
	Instrumental link		
	Outro		

Question Number	Answer	Mark
18	Award <b>one</b> mark for each valid response up to a maximum of <b>two</b> marks.	2
	<ul> <li>Reverb</li> <li>Flange</li> <li>Chorus</li> <li>Phase</li> <li>Delay/echo</li> <li>Compression</li> <li>EQ</li> </ul> Award any other valid response.	

Question Number	Answer	Mark
19	<ul> <li>Award one mark for identifying advantages and one mark for subsequent explanation up to four marks.</li> <li>Allows for easier editing (1) so is quicker to edit (1)</li> <li>Accidental edits can be undone (1) providing cost-savings (1)</li> <li>Storage medium is more reliable (1) so music is less likely to be corrupted (1)</li> <li>Maintains audio quality when being played or copied (1) so no loss incurred through prolonged use (1)</li> <li>Easier to distribute (1) so it can be shared more widely (1)</li> <li>Greater signal-to-noise ratio (1) allowing a clearer, crisper sound (1)</li> <li>Easy to save (1) so multiple backups can be made (1)</li> </ul> Accept any other valid response.	1 + 1 1 + 1

Question Number	Indicative content		Mark
20	Responses may include the following features:		
	Rainy Days and Mondays	Mirror in the Bathroom	
	Guitar plays sustained chords throughout	Short stabbing of chords on guitar	
	Piano plays block chords in accompaniment during verses	Ostinato bass line throughout piece	
	Limited use of production effects on instruments and vocals	Prominent and stylistic use of production effects	
	Backing vocals sing in harmony repeating vocal melody	Call and response between instruments and voice	
	Sax plays a solo melody	Sax plays a solo melody	
	Sax only plays in the instrumental section	Sax plays a variation of the melody throughout	
	Drum kit makes more use of ride cymbal and snare towards end of piece	Full use of drum kit throughout the piece	
	Idiomatic techniques applied by the harmonica and violins in the use of vibrato	Limited idiomatic techniques	
	Instruments are introduced gradually	Drum fill start then most instruments enter at the same time	
	Legato vocals throughout	Staccato vocals throughout	
	Wide vocal range with scalic passages	Melodic line uses limited range	
	Vocal part is legato with crisp and clear diction	Hard edge to the vocal tone	
	Instrumentation includes drums, guitar, vocals, strings, piano, electric piano and harmonica	Drums, electric guitar, bass guitar, rhythm guitar, saxophone, various percussion	
	Timbre is mellow	Harsh timbre	
	Regular beat throughout verses and chorus, with rubato in sax instrumental	Off-beat rhythms	
	Classical influences fused with Pop particularly in the use of instrumentation	Style has elements of ska/reggae/dub	

	Accept any other valid response.
Level	Descriptor
0 marks	No rewardable material.
1-3 marks	Basic similarities and differences between pieces identified, or only similarities or differences considered. The answer is likely to be in the form of a list and statements may be incomplete. Statements made will be superficial / generic and not applied to the context in the question. Statements will not contrast / link elements of the pieces directly to each other.
4-6 marks	Some similarities and differences between pieces identified, or a few key similarities and differences described but this will include statements that do not contrast / link elements of the pieces directly to each other. Consideration of both similarities and differences but there will be an inappropriate emphasis on one of them. The answer is unbalanced. Most points made will be relevant to the context in the question.
7-8 marks	Range of similarities and differences described, or a few key similarities and differences explained in depth. Balanced consideration of both similarities and differences, with all statements contrasting / linking elements of the pieces directly to each other. The majority of observations made will be relevant in terms of the context in the question.