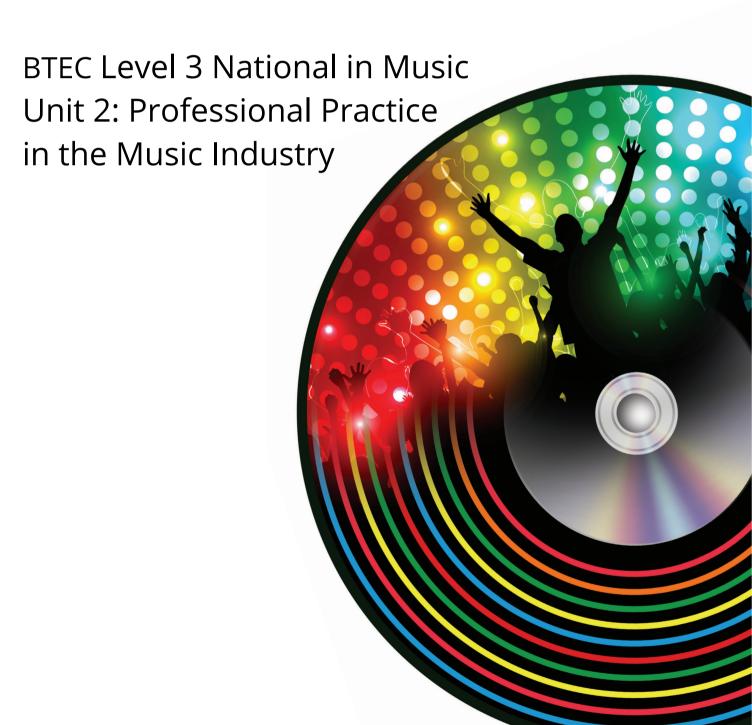




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Unit 2: Professional Practice in the Music Industry – marking grid

General marking guidance

- All learners must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first learner in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Marking grids should be applied positively. Learners must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the marking grid not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- All marks on the marking grid should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the marking grid are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the learner's response is not rewardable according to the marking grid.
- Where judgment is required, a marking grid will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the marking grid to a learner's response, a senior examiner should be consulted.

Specific marking guidance

The marking grids have been designed to assess learner work holistically. Rows within the grids identify the assessment focus/outcome being targeted. When using a marking grid, the 'best fit' approach should be used.

- Examiners should first make a holistic judgement on which band most closely matches the learner response and place it within that band. Learners will be placed in the band that best describes their response.
- The mark awarded within the band will be decided based on the quality of the answer in response to the assessment focus/outcome and will be modified according to how securely all bullet points are displayed at that band.
- Marks will be awarded towards the top or bottom of that band depending on how they have evidenced each of the descriptor bullet points.

Activity 1: Project plan 20 marks					
0	1-5	6-10	11-15	16–20	
Level of response not worthy of credit.	Demonstrates a limited knowledge of planning requirements of the music industry	Demonstrates some knowledge of planning requirements of the music industry	Demonstrates understanding of planning requirements of the music industry	Demonstrates a comprehensive understanding of planning requirements of the music industry	
	 Basic application of research skills, which occasionally meet requirements of brief 	Competent application of research skills, which sometimes meet requirements of the brief	Effective application of research skills, which mostly meet requirements of the brief	Comprehensive application of research skills to fully meet requirements of the brief	
	 Resource planning is limited to broad headings and generalisations 	Evidence of resource planning provides some support for the bid	Evidence of relevant resource planning mostly supporting the bid	 Evidence of detailed and considered resource planning, fully supporting the bid 	
	Timings are incomplete and limited in scope	Timings are mostly coherent and address some requirements of bid	Timings are coherent and effectively address the requirements of bid	Timings are comprehensive and fully address the requirements of bid	

Activity 2: Budget 15 Marks					
0	1-3	4–7	8-11	12-15	
Level of response not worthy of credit.	Demonstrates limited awareness of financial considerations with little relation to the scenario	Demonstrates some awareness of financial considerations partly related to the scenario	Demonstrates understanding of the financial considerations mostly related to the scenario	Demonstrates detailed understanding of the financial considerations fully related to the scenario	
	Costings are rarely realistic or feasible	Costings are sometimes realistic and feasible	Costings are mostly realistic and feasible	Costings are fully realistic and feasible	
	 Budgeting evident but contains inaccuracies/ omissions and is communicated with limited clarity 	Budgeting contains some inaccuracies/omissions and is not always communicated clearly	Budgeting is mostly accurate and consistent and is mostly communicated clearly	Budgeting is fully accurate and comprehensive and is communicated clearly	

Activity 3: Rationale 20 marks				
0	1-5	6-10	11–15	16-20
Level of response not worthy of credit.	Choices are supported with simple comments showing limited awareness of the requirements of the scenario	Choices are supported with relevant comments showing some awareness of the requirements of the scenario	Choices are mostly supported with relevant comments showing sustained awareness of the requirements of the scenario	Choices are fully supported with developed comments showing sustained awareness of the requirements of the scenario
	Justification of decisions shows limited consideration of the scenario	 Justification of decisions shows some consideration of the scenario 	Justification of decisions is considered and mostly supports the creative vision	 Justification of decisions is persuasive and fully supports the creative vision
	 Limited understanding of the music industry is evident 	 Some relevant understanding of the music industry is evident 	 Secure and relevant understanding of the music industry is evident 	 Comprehensive and relevant understanding of the music industry is evident

Activity 4: Pitch/presentation 15 marks					
0	1-3	4–7	8-11	12-15	
Level of response not worthy of	Pitch/presentation demonstrates limited understanding of the scenario	Pitch/presentation demonstrates some understanding of the scenario	Pitch/presentation demonstrates secure understanding of the scenario	Pitch/presentation demonstrates comprehensive understanding of the scenario	
credit.	 Pitch/presentation is unstructured and arguments are lost or not followed through 	 Pitch/presentation has some structure and arguments show attempt at persuasion with gaps or inaccuracies 	 Pitch/presentation is structured and arguments are developed and largely persuasive 	 Pitch/presentation is well structured and arguments are fully developed and persuasive 	
	 Pitch/presentation demonstrates limited awareness of the audience 	 Pitch/presentation demonstrates some appropriate awareness of the audience 	Pitch/presentation demonstrates effective awareness of the audience	 Pitch/presentation demonstrates fully appropriate awareness of the audience 	

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