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SECTION A

| 1. | Safety is very important in the dance class. Identify <u>two</u> safety checks that class starts. | should be made before the |
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| (a) | <i>of the dance space:</i> Appropriateness of the floor Clear of obstructions Correct working temperature Size of space | 1 mark each, maximum of 2 marks |
| (b) | <i>of the dancers:</i> Correct clothing No jewellery No eating Hair should be tied up Warm-up | 1 mark and maximum of |
| | Check dancers are injury-free Appropriate footwear | 1 mark each, maximum of 2 marks |
| (c) | <i>Give one reason why safety checks are important.</i> Additional mark for recognizing the relationship between the safety check and avoidance of injury. | 1 mark |
| | | Total 5 marks |

| 2. | Explain the importance of a cool-down after dance exercise. Give example made effective. | s to show how it could be |
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| | <i>Ensure that it does the following:</i> Return cardiovascular level to normal - return blood to circulation - prevent dizziness and fainting. "Squeeze out lactic acid". After anaerobic activity there will be lactic acid | 1 – 2 marks for stating points; |
| | in the muscles which should be "squeezed" out to prevent DOMS/muscle soreness. De-role. Psychological wind-down to prepare for everyday activity. | 1 – 3 marks for explaining how the cool-down affects the body/dancer; |
| | <i>OR:</i> Gradual decrease of activity to return cardiovascular level to normal. Avoid stopping suddenly which will cause dizziness and fainting. Stretching to remove lactic acid from muscles. | 1 – 6 marks for using pertinent dance examples to support the answer. |
| | | Total 6 marks |

| 3 (a) | Projection is an important skill for a dance performer. What is mea | nt by projection |
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| (a) | Projection – Full explanation of term | 2 marks |
| | <i>Explanation of effectiveness of projection:</i> the dancer considers the audience in creating the dance image (1); looking toward the audience to draw the audience to watch (1). | |
| | focus/sightline/focus of energy (1). | 1-2 marks |
| (b) | How does the use of projection help a dancer to communicate? | 4 marks |
| | Assessment of the value of projection in effective communication: The dancer makes the audience watch through use of whole self (1). S/he may do this through looking outward (1) or through emphasizing a particular movement (1). In this way s/he establishes a relationship with the audience (1) or with other dancers which makes it easier to communicate the dance idea (1). | |
| | | 1-4 marks |
| | | Total 6 marks |

| 4. | After choosing an appropriate idea for a dance composition, the choreographer the needs to consider many other things <u>before</u> beginning to make the dance. | | |
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| | | | w each of the considerations helps to make a |
| | What should be considered | Explanation | |
| - | Choose the right number of dancers | Dance idea will suggest the ne communicate the idea and ma | eed for particular groupings in order to ke the dance a success. |
| | Choose dancers who can work together | be expressed through them. | nce together well, so that the dance idea can |
| | Choose dancers with appropriate ability | | ity to express the dance idea or dance the re lacking ability the dance idea may not be |
| | Choose suitable accompaniment | | the correct mood, atmosphere and structure |
| | Plan a rehearsal schedule | | eveloped so that ideas are worked through and to become familiar with the movements so fully. |
| | Characteristics of space | | to particular choreographic possibilities. |
| | Suitable movement | Consider movements related t | |
| | Reliability of dancers | Choose people who will atten | |
| | Intended audience | Consider intended audience w | |
| | Style of dance | | nd themselves to particular styles. |
| | Costume | Particular costumes may impa | |
| | | | ach appropriate answer up to a maximum of 3. |
| | | 1 mark for appropriate | e explanation of "how" up to a maximum of 3. |
| | | | Total 6 marks |
| 5. | <i>The following is a way of s</i> Outsider. | showing a spatial design/pattern | n for <u>four</u> dancers in a dance entitled The |
| (a) | (a) <i>Show a spatial pattern/formation for five dancers in a dance entitled:</i> Harmony/Peace. | | ers in a dance entitled: |
| | Briefly explain how your c | chosen spatial pattern makes th | e dance idea of Harmony/Peace clear. |
| | <i>1 mark</i> for describing the simple connection, eg: to in the centre making or | the dancers are in a group | |
| Up to 2 marks greater underst close together t working togeth | <i>Up to 2 marks</i> for an exgreater understanding, eclose together to show tworking together in har | eplanation which shows eg: the dancers are placed they are a unit (1) and mony (1). | There should be a relationship between the chosen design and the explanation. As long as the explanation draws a satisfactory response for the chosen dance title the |
| | The dancers' are placed circular, with all the dan This rounded and soft g harmony (1). | - | mark can be awarded. No mark for a design without explanation. |

| (b) | Show a spatial pattern/formation for five dancer Briefly explain how your chosen spatial pattern makes the | |
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| | Describing the design and making a simple connection, eg: the dancers are in the corners of the room to make them into two groups. | |
| | Explanation which shows greater understanding. The dancers are separated to indicate that there is | 1 mark |
| | a division between them (1 mark); the space between indicates the inability of the two sides to come together (1 mark). | Up to 2 marks |
| | NB: There should be a relationship between the chosen design and the explanation. As long as the explanation draws a satisfactory response for the chosen dance title the mark can be awarded, eg: | |
| | dancers placed close together in space for the dance idea of Conflict/ War, would be satisfactory as long as the explanation makes the idea clear. | |
| | The dancers are close together to show contact work (1) which indicates fighting / aggression (1). | No mark for a design without explanation |

| 6. State <u>three</u> important aspects of the rhythm and dynamics found in this year's <u>set study</u> . | |
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| Dance follows rhythm – correlation | |
| Some sudden and precise gestures | |
| Use of suspension | |
| Momentum | |
| Swing | |
| Sharp | |
| Continuity | |
| Fluency contrast | 1 mark for each correct response |
| | Total 3 marks |

SECTION B

The set work is '*Still Life' at the Penguin Café*. You will be expected to comment on the set work and to compare and contrast it with other professional dance works. Remember to give the **full titles** of the works you use and the **names of the choreographers**.

| 7. Name the designer for 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café. | |
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| Hayden Griffin | 1 mark |
| | Total 1 mark |

| 8. Name <u>two</u> animals that are featured in 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café. | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|
| Great Auk (1) Penguin (1) | | |
| Utah Longhorn Ram (1) Ram (1) | | |
| Texan Kangaroo Rat (1) Rat (1) | | |
| Hog-nosed Skunk Flea (1) Flea (1) | | |
| Southern Cape Zebra (1) Zebra (1) | 1 mark for each correct answer | |
| | Total 2 marks | |

9. State <u>two</u> stimuli/starting points which inspired David Bintley to create 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café.

| CD design cover / paintings by Emily Young (1) | |
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| Doomsday Book of Animals / extinction of animals (1) | |
| Peter Weir's Film "The Last Wave" (1) | |
| Music from the Penguin Café Orchestra (1) | |
| Music (1). | |
| | 1 mark for each correct answer |
| | |

Total 2 marks

| 10. Who is the narrator for 'Still Life' at the Peng | uin Café? |
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| Jeremy Irons (1) | 1 mark |
| | Total 1 mark |

11. Name the section from 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café which has one animal and five male dancers.

| Section 4: Humboldt's Hog-nosed Skunk Flea (1); the Flea (1). | |
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| Section 2: Utah Longhorn Ram (1); The Ram (1). | 1 months |
| | l mark |
| | Total 1 mark |

| 12. Which animal in 'Still Life' at the Pengui | n Café does not wear a mask? |
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| The Zebra | 1 mark |
| | Total 1 mark |

| 3. Why is 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café considered to be a work with a serious message? | |
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| <i>1 mark</i> for stating that there are serious episodes in the dance, eg: death of the zebra. | |
| <i>1 - 3 marks</i> for understanding that the subject matter of the work is endangered species - or reference to the extinction of The Great Auk / man's part in animal extinction. | |
| | Up to 3 marks |
| | Total 3 marks |

| Animal | Description of movement/action | How the movement helps the audience to recognise the animal |
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| Auk/Penguin | Waddling (1) upright torso (1) | Legs turned out / waddling / upright torso captures the walk of the penguin (1). |
| | Legs turned out (1) feet flexed (1) | The chosen movements make the penguin appear realistic (1). |
| | Small steps / pieds à terre (1) | |
| | TT 1 (1 111 | Penguins take small steps – gives the |
| | Hand gestures by side like flippers (1) | realistic appearance (1). Wing or flipper-like (1). |
| | Up to 2 marks | |
| | | Up to 2 marks |
| Humboldt's Hog-nosed Skunk Flea | Elevations - jumping / leaping (1) | The jumping creates the idea of the Flea as we associate fleas with jumpi and leaping. (1) |
| | Stepping en pointe | Biting (1). |
| | Arm gestures which capture the idea of wings (1) – mandibles (1) antennae (1) | The arm gestures create the idea of wings flapping or antennae waving making the Flea appear realistic(1). <i>Up to 2 marks</i> |
| | Up to 2 marks | <i>Op 10 2 marks</i> |
| Descriptions of movements/ examples should be animal | actions which capture the animal mov | vements of the Penguin and the Flea – |
| 1 | 1 0 | vement reflecting animal character |
| 1 | | s indication of how effective the action |
| Total 8 marl | | |

| 15. a) | Describe the costumes for The Southern C the Women. | Tape Zebra section. You should consider the Zebra and |
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| | Zebra: Tight fitting body suit (1); white with black stripes (1); neck, ears and face painted to match his body colour (1); Mohican style fringe of hair (like a mane) continues down back and ends in a short tufted tail (1); black shoes (1). | Description of zebra's costume – up to 3 marks |
| | Women: Shiny satin cocktail dresses (1); Bodice, tight with asymmetric waistline, full mid-length skirt which flares out (1); patterned with Zebra effect stripes (1); black and white feather boa draped across shoulders (1); high-heeled black shoes (1); long evening gloves (1); small hat perches on head – made from a deer's skull (1); black wigs (1); make-up (1). | Description of Women's costume – up to 3 marks |
| | • | Total for (a) - up to 6 marks |

| b) | Explain how the costumes contribute to our understanding of the theme of the dance. | |
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| | Human and animal worlds both suggested. | 1 – 2 mar |
| | Women appear wearing dead animals - fur skull caps, leather. | 1 – 3 mai |
| | As above and in addition, mention of the connection between the selfishness of humans and the vulnerability of animals. | 1 – 4 mar |
| | | Total for (b) – up to 4 mar |
| | • | Total 10 mar |

16. 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café includes a variety of dance styles.

| a) | Name three styles from 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café | • |
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| | Ballroom/Tango/Waltz (1) | |
| | Jazz (1) | |
| | Afro-Carribean/African (1) | |
| | Morriss/British Folk (1) | |
| | Contemporary (1) | |
| | Classical / Ballet (1) | |
| | Hoe Down / American square dancing / Hillbilly (1) | |
| | Samba / Brazilian (1) | |
| | | 1 mark for each |

| b) | Identify a professional dance work other than 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café in which you have seen a variety of dance styles. | |
|----|--|--------|
| | Name of work | 1 mark |
| | Name of choreographer | 1 mark |

NB: *b) Can be marked correct if dance has more than one style, even if c) and d) are wrong.*

| c) | c) Describe a movement example from the work you named in (b) above, which clearly shows the dance style. | |
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| | Description of style should be relevant to | 1-2 marks for stating points |
| | named work | 3 marks for a full description |

| d) | Explain how the use of the dance style you described in (c) above contributes to our understanding of the dance work. | |
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| | Explanation: | |
| | Adds to geographical (1) / historical (1) / social (1) / | |
| | location (1) / era context (1). | |
| | Adds interest / variety (1). | |
| | Adds humour / comedy (1). | |
| | Adds drama (1). | |
| | Adds mood / atmosphere (1). | |
| | Characterisation (1). | |
| | Adds to story-line or theme (1). | Up to 3 mar |
| | | Total 11 marl |

NB: No marks for c) and d) if b) is incorrect

17. 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café uses orchestral music. Name a professional dance work other than 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café which has a different type of accompaniment.

| (a) | Name of work | |
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| | Name of choreographer | 1 mark each |
| | | maximum of 2 marks |
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NB:Identified work <u>must</u> be non-orchestral.No mark for citing choreographer only, without naming work.If a) is incorrect, no marks to be awarded for b) and c).

| b) | Describe the accompaniment used in the dance work yo | ou named in (a) above. |
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| | Tone (1) colour (1) instrumentation (1) group or band | |
| | (1) rhythm (1) texture (1) style (1) dynamics (1) | |
| | structure (1). | |
| | Found and natural sound (1). | |
| | Silence and therefore the audible aspect of dancing (1). | |
| | Vocals (1) - lyrics (1). | |
| | Genre/style (1) | 1 mark each |
| | | maximum of 4 marks |

| c) Explain how the accompaniment contributes to the | dance work you named in (a) above. |
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| Explanation of how it contributes: | |
| Music / dance relationships: Visualization (1) Correlation (1) Disassociation (1) Co-existence (1) Provides rhythmic structure (1) / structure (1) / dynamic (1) Provides mood / atmosphere (1) Provides context or setting (1) Suggests an era, or social setting (1) Can create dramatic change / interests (1) | 1 – 2 marks for stating contribution 1 – 4 marks for quality of explanation + 1 mark for each relevant explanation up to a maximum of 4 |
| | Total 10 marks |

SECTION C

Essay question

Focus Study Area: Physical Setting

18. How do set design / venue / location and lighting contribute to dance works?

Give examples from <u>four</u> professional dance works other than 'Still Life' at the Penguin Café. Name each work and the choreographer.

NB: The question does not ask for information about props.

| S | Set designs can: Give real location / geographical / historical setting. Give a sense of place. Create entrances and exits. Create levels. Give a variety of different scenes / locations. Create structures for the dancers to use. Create mood / atmosphere. Give a documentary feel through choice of real life locations. Add colour. Cycloramas can give a universality to the setting. "Empty" stage spaces / venues give uncluttered spaces – safe for dancing. Focus on dancers/costumes. Add to/complement or contrast costume. Give context to the dancers/size. | Maximum of 7 marks for set / design / venue / location. Maximum of 3 marks for lighting. When used as appropriate exemplar, 1 mark for correct citation of work and choreographer, up to 4 marks. 1 – 2 marks for descriptive commentary. D 3 – 6 marks for evaluative commentary. E |
|---|--|---|
| L | Lighting can: Highlight a dancer / group of dancers. Create mood / atmosphere. Create colour. Create silhouettes / shadows. Give emphasis to a moment. Compliment or contrast set design/costume. Can give sense of time-day/night. All considerations are considered equally valid. Credit each consideration only once. | Examples should be related to professional dance works to receive marks. Total 20 marks |
| | | i otai 20 marks |