

## Coimisiún na Scrúduithe Stáit

State Examinations Commission
LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2011

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## MUSIC - HIGHER LEVEL

## COMPOSING (100 marks)

THURSDAY 23 JUNE - AFTERNOON 3.15-4.45

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## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

$\square$ Write your examination number, as required, in the box above.
$\square$ Answer the questions in the spaces provided in this question-answer book.

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$\square$ You may use the spaces in the middle and at the end of the question-answer book for rough work.

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## Answer TWO questions - ONE from Section A (Melody Composition) and ONE from Section B (Harmony)

## SECTION A - MELODY COMPOSITION (40 marks)

Answer ONE QUESTION ONLY in this section: Q1 or Q2 or Q3
Q. 1 CONTINUATION OF A GIVEN OPENING

- Continue the opening below to make a 16 -bar melody.
- Include a modulation to the dominant at a suitable point.
- Add appropriate performing directions (phrasing and dynamics) to the melody.
- Choose a suitable instrument for your melody from the following list:
$\square$ oboe
$\square$ violin
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trumpet
$\square$ clarinet



## Q. 2 SETTING MUSIC TO A GIVEN TEXT

Here is an extract from After the Battle by Thomas Moore.
Night closed around the conqueror's way
And lightnings show'd the distant hill
Where those who lost that dreadful day
Stood few and faint, but fearless still.

- The opening line has been set to music below.
- Set the remaining words to make a melody of 16 bars. (You may exceed this number of bars, and include a modulation, if you wish.)
- Add appropriate performing directions (phrasing and dynamics) to the melody.

$b^{b}$


## Q. 3 COMPOSING TO A GIVEN DANCE RHYTHM OR METRE OR FORM

The opening phrase of a minuet is given below.

- Continue the given opening to make a 16 -bar melody.
- Use the form $\mathrm{AA}^{1} \mathrm{BA}^{2}$.
- Add appropriate performing directions (phrasing and dynamics) to the melody.
- Choose a suitable instrument for your melody from the following list:
$\square$ trumpet
$\square$
violin
$\square$ horn
$\square$ flute




## SECTION B - HARMONY (60 marks)

Answer ONE QUESTION ONLY in this section: Q4 or Q5 or Q6

## Q. 4 COMPOSING MELODY AND BASS NOTES FROM A SET OF CHORDS

PREPARATORY WORK

- Plot the chords available in the key of A minor, either in the chord bank grid or on the stave below.

| Notes <br> of <br> chord | E | F | G | D | E |  |  |
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| A | B | C |  |  |  | D |  |
| Chord <br> symbol | Am | Bdim | Caug |  |  |  | $G^{\#}$ dim |
| Roman <br> numeral | i | ii | III | iv | V | VI | vii |



## ROUGH WORK

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| $B Q$ |  |  |  |  |
| $M E L$ |  |  |  |  |

- Study the piece of music below.
- Using the chords indicated, compose melody and bass notes to complete the piece in the given style.



## Q. 5 COMPOSING BASS NOTES AND CHORD INDICATIONS TO A GIVEN TUNE

## PREPARATORY WORK

- Plot the chords available in the key of G minor, either in the chord bank grid or on the stave below.

| Notes <br> of <br> chord | D | Eb | $\mathrm{F} \sharp$ |  |  |  |  |
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| A | Bb |  |  |  | $\mathrm{F} \#$ |  |  |
| Chord <br> symbol | Gm | Adim | $\mathrm{B} b_{\text {aug }}$ |  |  |  | $\mathrm{F} \#$ dim |
| Roman <br> numeral | i | ii | III | iv | V | VI | vii |



## ROUGH WORK

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- Study the piece of music below.
- Insert suitable bass notes and chord indications in the style of the given opening.
- Do not repeat the same chord in the same position in adjacent boxes.
- You may use chord symbols or Roman numerals, but not both.

Q. 6 ADDING A COUNTERMELODY OR DESCANT AND CHORDAL SUPPORT TO A GIVEN TUNE


## PREPARATORY WORK

- Plot the chords available in the key of F major, either in the chord bank grid or on the stave below.

| Notes <br> of <br> chord | A <br> F |  | E |  |  |  | Bb |
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| Chord <br> symbol | F |  | Am |  |  |  |  |
| Roman <br> numeral | I | ii | iii | IV | V | vi | vii |



## ROUGH WORK

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| DESC |  |  |  |  |

- Study the piece of music below.
- Insert suitable chord indications in the boxes provided and continue the descant part in the given style to complete the piece.
- You may use either chord symbols or Roman numerals, but not both.
- Do not repeat the same chord in the same position in adjacent boxes.


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