



## Curriculum Plans – Key Stage 4 Music

Please find below a detailed outline of the curriculum covered in Music through Year 11 in Key Stage 4.

### Year 11

	Component 1 – Understanding Music	Component 2 – Performing Music	Component 3 – Composing
	<p><b>What's assessed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listening</li> <li>• Contextual understanding</li> </ul> <p><b>How it's assessed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exam paper with listening exercises and written questions using excerpts of music.</li> </ul> <p><b>Questions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section A: Listening – unfamiliar music (68 marks)</li> <li>• Section B: Study pieces (28 marks)</li> </ul>	<p><b>What's assessed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music performance</li> </ul> <p><b>How it's assessed</b></p> <p>As an instrumentalist and/or vocalist and/or via technology:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance 1: Solo performance (36 marks)</li> <li>• Performance 2: Ensemble performance (36 marks).</li> </ul> <p><b>A minimum of four minutes of performance in total is required, of which a minimum of one minute must be the ensemble performance.</b></p>	<p><b>What's assessed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Composition</li> </ul> <p><b>How it's assessed</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Composition 1: Composition to a brief (36 marks)</li> <li>• Composition 2: Free composition (36 marks).</li> </ul> <p><b>A minimum of three minutes of music in total is required.</b></p>
<b>Assessment</b>	<p>The exam is 1 hour and 30 minutes.</p> <p>This component is worth 40% of GCSE marks (96 marks).</p>	<p><b>Non-exam assessment (NEA) will be internally marked by teachers and externally moderated by AQA.</b></p> <p><b>Performances must be completed in the year of certification.</b></p> <p>This component is 30% of GCSE marks (72 marks).</p>	<p><b>Non-exam assessment (NEA) will be internally marked by teachers and externally moderated by AQA.</b></p> <p>This component is 30% of GCSE marks (72 marks).</p>