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Whitlock Level **11**
Fall 2016

Student Affiliate Theory Test



Affix **label** here or clearly **print** requested information.

Name _____

_____ Last Name, First Name. Please print.

ALPHA CODE _____ School Grade _____ Date _____

NOTICE: Do NOT make any extra marks or comments on the test. Points may be deducted.

Points

1. Build and label intervals as instructed below.

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- A. In the first measure of each pair, build the indicated interval **above** the given note.
- B. In the second measure of each pair, invert the interval that was built in the first measure.
- C. On the lines below the **second measure** of each pair, **classify** that interval by **type** and **size**.

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dim 4th _____ PER 5th _____

min 3rd _____ MAJ 7th _____

2. On the staff below:

1

- A. Draw the **key signature**.
- B. Construct diatonic triads in root position on each scale degree of the indicated **ascending minor scale, harmonic form**. Use *whole notes*.
- C. Identify each triad as MAJ, min, dim or AUG.

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b minor harmonic form

3. On the staff below, build the indicated **triads** in root position. *Do not change the given root note.*

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MAJ min dim min AUG AUG

4. In the given keys, spell the Tonic, Subdominant, and Dominant triads in root position.

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	Tonic	Subdominant	Dominant
A^b Major	_____ - _____ - _____	_____ - _____ - _____	_____ - _____ - _____
g minor, harmonic form	_____ - _____ - _____	_____ - _____ - _____	_____ - _____ - _____

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5. Below are the names of two Major keys. For each Major key:

- A. Draw the **Major key signature** in the first measure.
- B. Below the first measure, name the **relative minor key**.
- C. Draw the parallel minor **key signature** in the second measure.
- D. Below the second measure, name the **parallel minor key**.

2
2
2
2

C# Major

_____ relative minor _____ parallel minor

F Major

_____ relative minor _____ parallel minor

6. Write a two measure phrase in **close harmony** with proper voice leading

- A. Keep the roots in the bass throughout the phrase.
- B. If there is a common tone, keep it in the same voice.
- C. Use correct note values. *End on a strong beat.*

5
2.5
2.5
1

F Major I vi IV ii V V⁷ I

7. In the key indicated, resolve the V⁷ chord to the tonic triad. *Use proper voice leading.*

Chord roots must be in the bass voice in all chords. Use whole notes.

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D Major V⁷ I V⁷ I V⁷ I V⁷ I

8. Write a Roman numeral in the blank below each chord. Chords may be I, I⁶, IV, V, V⁷, ii, ii⁶, or vi.

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E Major _____

Name _____

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9. Each measure is characteristic of the use of a particular meter:

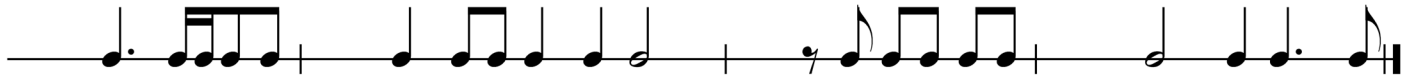
A. Write the correct time signature at the **beginning** of each measure.

Use **four** of these time signatures **once**:

- $\frac{3}{2}$
- $\frac{3}{4}$
- $\frac{5}{4}$
- $\frac{6}{8}$
- $\frac{9}{8}$

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B. Below each measure specify if the meter is **simple, compound, or asymmetrical**.



_____ Meter

_____ Meter

_____ Meter

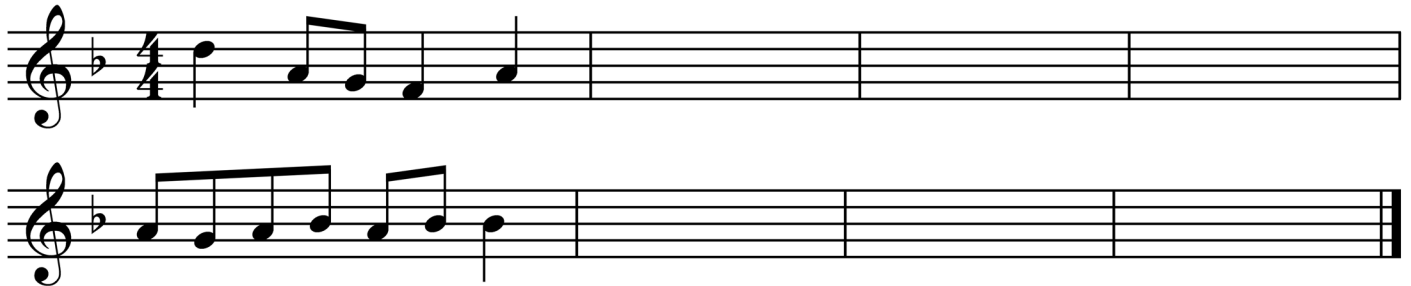
_____ Meter

10. Complete this eight measure melody in the indicated **melodic minor** key.

- A. In measure two, write a **melodic sequence or rhythmic imitation** of measure one.
- B. End the first phrase on a **note of the dominant chord** (half cadence).
- C. End the second phrase on the **tonic**.
- D. Both phrases must end on a **strong beat**.
- E. The melody **must demonstrate** correct use of the **melodic form** of the minor scale, **ascending and descending**.

2
2
2
2
2
4

d minor, melodic form



11. Write the number of the correct definition in the blank.

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| <p>_____ half cadence</p> <p>_____ church modes</p> <p>_____ augmented triad</p> <p>_____ parallel keys</p> <p>_____ diatonic scale</p> <p>_____ <i>troppo</i></p> <p>_____ <i>rondo</i></p> <p>_____ polyphonic music</p> <p>_____ bi-tonal</p> <p>_____ ballet</p> | <p>1. Music in which two or more melodies are heard at the same time</p> <p>2. A theatrical dance</p> <p>3. Too much</p> <p>4. A composition in which the first theme returns repeatedly (A-B-A-C-A-etc.)</p> <p>5. A triad which has two Major thirds</p> <p>6. Any cadence which ends on the dominant triad (V)</p> <p>7. Major and minor keys that have the same keynote (C MAJ - c minor)</p> <p>8. The use of two key signatures at the same time</p> <p>9. A scale with seven different tones</p> <p>10. Seven diatonic scales that are comprised of different arrangements of whole steps and half steps</p> |
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EAR TRAINING

12. You will hear four scales ascending and descending. Identify each as **MAJ** (Major), **nat min** (natural minor), **har min** (harmonic minor), or **mel min** (melodic minor). 2

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

13. You will hear eight intervals above or below the given note. All intervals are within one octave and will be **Major, minor, or Perfect**. The given notes are for reference only. Classify each interval as to **type and size**. 4

Example: min 3rd, PER 5th, etc.



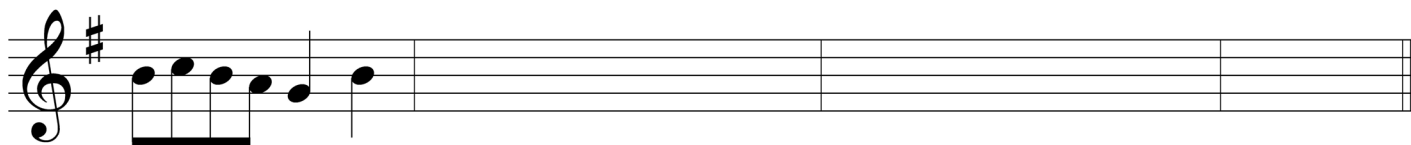
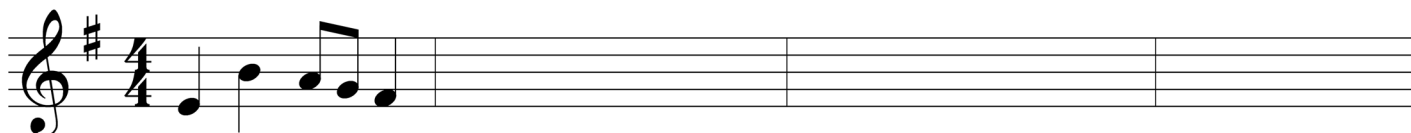
Type: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____

Size: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____

14. You will hear six triads played in broken and blocked form. These root-position triads will be Major, minor, Augmented, or diminished. Identify each as **MAJ, min, AUG, or dim**. 3

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

15. You will hear eight measures of melodic dictation in **e melodic minor**. Fill in the blank measures. 6



BONUS QUESTION

+ 1/2 or + 1 point only

Choice of one of the following:

- A. **Sight Singing** four measures in a **Major** key, or
- B. **Rhythmic Sight Reading** four measures

SCORE: _____ (1 pt for 90 – 100% OR ½ pt for 50 – 89%)
(Use red ink.)

Administered by: _____
(Initials)

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Student Affiliate Theory Test Ear Training Instructions

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For each question:

- A. Play according to suggested tempo.
- B. All examples are MM: ♩ = 60
- C. Leave plenty of silence between repetitions to allow hearing mentally.
- D. Pause the audio tracks as needed to allow students time to write their answers.

Question 12: Scale Identification

- 1. Read the test question aloud and answer any questions.
- 2. Play each example, as illustrated, twice.
- 3. Play all examples once more, pausing briefly between them.

E Major

e harmonic minor

g natural minor

d melodic minor

Question 13: Intervals

- 1. Read the test question aloud and answer any questions.
- 2. Improvise two practice examples and identify each as to type and size.
- 3. Explain that the student does not need to write the second note. The beginning notes are given for reference.
- 4. Play the first test example using the method illustrated in measure one. Pause. Repeat.
- 5. Continue through all examples, playing each interval using the procedure defined above in step four.
- 6. Play all examples once more, broken and blocked, pausing briefly between each example.

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.

Question 14: Triad Identification

- 1. Read the test question aloud and answer any questions.
- 2. Play the first triad using the method illustrated in measure one. Pause. Repeat.
- 3. Continue similarly through all examples.
- 4. Play all examples once more, pausing briefly between each example.

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.

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Question 15: Melodic Dictation

1. Read the test question aloud and answer any questions.
2. Explain that you will play an eight-measure melody. Measures one and five are given.
3. Play the scale and tonic triad tones 1-3-5-3-1. Repeat the keynote and say its letter name.
4. Establish the tempo and beat by tapping and counting aloud one measure before each time you play. Do not count or tap while playing.
5. Play all eight measures.
6. Repeat measures one through four. Tell the students they may sing this time. Repeat measures one through four.
7. Play measures one and two. Pause. Repeat.
8. Play measures three and four – preceded by the last note of measure two. Pause. Repeat.
9. Play measures one through four once more. Pause.
10. Repeat steps 6-9 for measures five through eight. Pause. Play all eight measures once more.

e melodic minor

The musical notation shows an e melodic minor scale in 4/4 time. The first staff contains measures 1 through 4, and the second staff contains measures 5 through 8. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody starts on E4 and ends on E4.

BONUS – For either Sight Singing or Rhythmic Sight Reading

- This question is to be given individually to students.
- Each student should have several minutes to look over the example.
- The student may set the tempo, but must keep a steady beat.
- Students are to use the separate sheet enclosed.
- Each student may have two tries. After the first try, indicate the location and type of error made.
- In grading, if 90% or more is correct, award 1 point. If 50% to 89% is correct, award ½ point.
- Teachers, indicate +1/2 or +1 point only for bonus.
- Record the score on the student's paper in red ink.

A. Sight Singing

1. Explain that the student may use syllable names, letters, numbers, or neutral syllables in singing.
2. If the student wishes to transpose to a more comfortable key, this is permissible.
3. Play the scale, ascending and descending. Play the tonic triad and the tonic triad tones 1-3-5-3-1.
4. Repeat and identify the keynote. Suggestion: The student may sing more comfortably if the teacher will sing the scale and triad prior to the administration of the test question.

C Major

The musical notation shows a C Major scale in 4/4 time. The first staff contains measures 1 through 4, and the second staff contains measures 5 through 8. The key signature has no sharps or flats and the time signature is 4/4. The melody starts on C4 and ends on C4.

B. Rhythmic Sightreading

Explain that students may tap, clap, say, or play the notes.

The musical notation shows a rhythmic sightreading exercise in 4/4 time. The first staff contains measures 1 through 4, and the second staff contains measures 5 through 8. The time signature is 4/4.

