GUITAR REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION

Subject Code: 07

This syllabus is valid from 2009 until further notice.

This section provides a summary of the most important points that teachers and candidates need to know when taking ABRSM Guitar exams. Further details, as well as administrative information relating to the exams, are given in ABRSM's Information & Regulations (available at www.abrsm.org/regulations) which should be read before an exam booking is made.

Entering for an exam

Eligibility: There are eight grades for Guitar and candidates may be entered in any grade irrespective of age and without previously having taken any other grade in Guitar. Candidates for a Grade 6, 7 or 8 exam must already have passed ABRSM Grade 5 (or above) in Music Theory, Practical Musicianship or a solo Jazz subject; for full details, including a list of accepted alternatives, see Regulation 1d at www.abrsm.org/regulations.

Access: ABRSM endeavours to make its exams as accessible as possible to all candidates, regardless of sensory impairments, learning difficulties or particular physical needs. There is a range of alternative tests and formats as well as sets of guidelines for candidates with particular access needs (see www.abrsm.org/specificneeds). Where a candidate's needs are not covered by the guidelines, each case is considered on an individual basis. Further information is available from the Access Co-ordinator (accesscoordinator@abrsm.ac.uk).

Exam booking: Details of exam dates, venues, fees and how to book an exam are available online at www.abrsm.org/exambooking.

Instruments

This syllabus is only appropriate for the standard classical instrument fitted with nylon strings (guitars with a cutaway body are permitted). Candidates may use a capo at the 2nd or 3rd fret for the pieces in Grades 7 and 8 that require F# tuning; no other use of the capo is permitted.

Elements of the exam

All ABRSM graded Guitar exams comprise the following elements: three Pieces; Scales and arpeggios; Sight-reading; and Aural tests. In all grades, marks are allocated as follows:

Pieces: 1	30
2	30
3	30
Scales and arpeggios	21
Sight-reading	21
Aural tests	18
Total	150

Marking scheme: 100 marks are required for a Pass, 120 for a Merit and 130 for a Distinction. A Pass in each individual section is not required to pass overall. See pp. 114–115 for the marking criteria used by examiners.

Pieces

Programme planning: Candidates must choose one piece from each of the three lists (A, B and C) in each grade. In the exam, they should inform the examiner which pieces they are performing, and they are welcome to use the form on p. 117 for this purpose.

Accompaniment: In Grades 1 and 2, candidates may perform *up to two* pieces accompanied by another guitar (or, if necessary, a piano), while in Grade 3, *only one* such piece may be performed. These pieces are marked † in the syllabus. Candidates must provide their own accompanist, who may remain in the exam room only while accompanying. The candidate's teacher may act as accompanist (examiners will not). None of the pieces marked † in Grades 1–3 may be performed solo. In Grades 4–8, *all* pieces must be performed solo.

Exam music & editions: Wherever the syllabus includes an arrangement or transcription, the edition listed in the syllabus must be used in the exam; in all such cases the abbreviation 'arr.' or 'trans.' appears in the syllabus entry. For all other pieces, the editions quoted in the syllabus are given for guidance only and candidates may use any edition of their choice (in- or out-of-print or downloadable). Information on obtaining exam music is given on p. 10.

Interpreting the score: Printed editorial suggestions such as fingering, metronome marks, realization of ornaments etc. need not be strictly observed. Whether the piece contains musical indications or not, candidates are always encouraged to interpret the score in a stylistically appropriate manner. Ultimately, examiners' marking will be determined by consideration of pitch, time, tone, shape and performance, and how control of these contributes to the overall musical outcome.

Repeats: All da capo and dal segno indications should be observed but all other repeats (including first-time bars) should be omitted unless they are very brief (i.e. of a few bars) or unless the syllabus specifies otherwise.

Performing from memory: Candidates are free to perform any of their pieces from memory; in such cases they must ensure that a copy of the music is available for the examiner to refer to if necessary. No additional marks are awarded for playing from memory.

Page-turns: Examiners will be understanding if a page-turn causes a lack of continuity during a piece, and this will not affect the marking. A variety of solutions for awkward page-turns exists, including the use of an additional copy of the music or a photocopy of a section of the piece (but see 'Photocopies' on p. 8). In cases where candidates believe there is no solution to a particularly awkward page-turn, they may apply to bring a page-turner to the exam. The request must be made to the Syllabus Department (syllabus@abrsm.ac.uk) no later than the closing date for entry, and details of the piece, edition and nature of the difficulty should be given. If permission is granted, a confirmation letter will be issued which must be taken to the exam as verification. Examiners are unable to help with page-turning.

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Photocopies: Performing from unauthorized photocopies (or other kinds of copies) of copyright editions is not allowed. ABRSM may withhold the exam result where it has evidence of an illegal copy (or copies) being used. In the UK, copies may be used in certain limited circumstances – for full details, see the MPA's *Code of Fair Practice* at www.mpaonline.org.uk. In all other cases, application should be made to the copyright holder before any copy is made, and evidence of permission received should be brought to the exam.

Scales and arpeggios

Examiners will usually ask for at least one of each type of scale/arpeggio etc. required at each grade, as well as aiming to hear, in the Grade 5–8 fingers-only scales, a balance of the specified strokes. When asking for requirements examiners will specify only:

- the key (including minor form harmonic *or* melodic in the Grade 6–8 scales) or the starting note
- the stroke for fingers-only scales (*tirando* or *apoyando*, Grades 5–8)
- the form for interval scales (together *or* broken)

All scales and arpeggios should:

- be played from memory
- ascend and descend according to the specified range (and pattern)
- be played legato
- be played at a pace that achieves a clean, uniform tone and a rhythmic flow without undue accentuation

In Grades 1–4, candidates may choose to play 'fingers-only' scales either *tirando* (free stroke) or *apoyando* (rest stroke); from Grade 5, these scales must be prepared with *both* right-hand techniques. The *tirando* stroke is expected for all other requirements.

Any combination of alternating right-hand fingers may be used for 'fingers-only' scales. Any left-hand fingering may be used, but candidates are expected to observe the requirements regarding over-ringing and non-over-ringing for broken chords and arpeggios from Grade 3.

Arpeggios and dominant sevenths are required in root position only.

Books of the scale requirements (for Grades 1–5 and 6–8) are published for Guitar by ABRSM.

The speeds on p. 9 are given as a general guide:

		Grade / Speed							
	pattern	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Thumb-only scales*		= 96	• = 112						
Scales [†]									
1 & 2 octaves		- = 48	= 56	• = 66	= 80	= 96			
2 octaves							• = 112	- = 126	• = 144
3 octaves							. = 76	. = 84	. = 96
Chromatic scales									
1 & 2 octaves				• = 66	• = 80	• = 96	• = 112		
3 octaves								. = 84	. = 96
Interval scales				= 60	= 72	= 84	• = 96	- = 104	• = 116
Arpeggios		. = 40	. = 42	. = 44	. = 48	. = 56	. = 63	. = 69	. = 76
Broken chords				. = 54	. = 60	. = 66	J. = 72	J. = 80	. = 88
Dom. & Dim. 7ths [‡]					= 72	= 84	= 96	• = 104	• = 116

* Including chromatic scale at Grade 2

† Fingers-only & thumb and fingers combined

‡ Dim. 7ths from Grade 5

Sight-reading

Candidates will be asked to play a short piece of music which they have not previously seen. They will be given up to half a minute in which to look through and, if they wish, try out all or any part of the test before they are required to play it for assessment. The main technical parameters for each grade are outlined on pp. 11–25; once introduced, these parameters apply for all subsequent grades (albeit with a logical progression of difficulty). For practice purposes, a book of specimen sight-reading tests is published for Guitar by ABRSM.

Aural tests

The requirements are the same for all subjects. Full details of the Aural tests are given on pp. 94–99.

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In the exam

Examiners: Generally, there will be one examiner in the exam room; however, for training and quality assurance purposes, a second examiner may sometimes be present. Examiners may ask to look at the music before or after the performance of a piece. They may also decide to stop the performance of a piece when they have heard enough to form a judgment. Examiners will not issue, or comment on, a candidate's result; instead, the mark form (and certificate for successful candidates) will be issued by ABRSM after the exam.

Tuning: Any tuning adjustments must be made by the candidate (examiners are unable to help with this).

Footstools: Candidates should provide their own footstool (or other form of guitar support) if required.

Order of the exam: The individual sections of the exam may be undertaken in any order, at the candidate's choice, although it is always preferred for accompanied pieces (see 'Accompaniment' on p. 7) to be performed consecutively.

Assessment

The tables on pp. 114–115 show the marking criteria used by examiners. These criteria (newly revised and amended) have been in use in exams from January 2014. In each element of the exam, ABRSM operates the principle of marking from the required pass mark positively or negatively, rather than awarding marks by deduction from the maximum or addition from zero. In awarding marks, examiners balance the extent to which the qualities and skills listed on pp. 114–115 (broadly categorized by pitch, time, tone, shape and performance) are demonstrated and contribute towards the overall musical outcome.

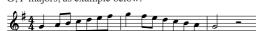
Obtaining exam music

Exam music is available from music retailers as well as online, including at the ABRSM music shop: www.abrsm.org/shop. Every effort has been made to ensure that all the publications listed will remain available for the duration of the syllabus. Candidates are advised to obtain their music well in advance of the exam in case of any delays with items not kept in stock by retailers. Apart from queries relating to exams, all enquiries about the music (e.g. editorial, availability) should be addressed to the relevant publisher: contact details are listed at www. abrsm.org/publishers.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes except where indicated:

Scales (one octave)

Fingers only (*tirando* or *apoyando*, at candidate's choice) G, F majors, as example below:



Thumb only (*tirando*) A, E minors (*natural* or *harmonic*, at candidate's choice)

Arpeggios (one octave) (tirando)

G major; E minor

THREE PIECES: one chosen by the candidate from each of the three Lists, A, B and C:

LIST A

- 1 Anon. Ductia (observing repeat)
- 2 Arbeau Branle d'Écosse (from Orchésographie)
- A Dead Brane d Ecose (non Orchesographie)
 Handel Gavotte (from Atalanta)
 Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 1, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 4 Machaut Douce dame jolie
- † 5 arr. L. Mozart Entrée. ABC Guitar (Jacaranda Music JM02-003)
- + 6 Purcell Riggadoon (from Musick's Handmaid). One + One, Vol. 1 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2202, teacher's score 2201)
- 7 Trad. V'là l'bon vent. No. 27 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 1 (Les Productions d'Oz 101)
- 8 **Trad. French** Les Bouffons. *P. 3 from The Young Guitarist's Progress, Repertoire Part 1, ed. Burden (Garden Music 39: 2008 edition)*

LIST B

- 1 Aguado Lección (observing repeats)
- 2 Sor Valse (from Op. 51 No. 1) (observing repeats)
- 3 Trad. Poor Wayfaring Stranger
- † 4 Trad. Catalan El noy de la mare
- 5 Carulli Waltz in G. P. 11 from The Young Guitarist's Progress, Repertoire Part 1, ed. Burden (Garden Music 39: 2008 edition)
- † 6 A. Müller Allegretto. ABC Guitar (Jacaranda Music JM02-003)
- [†] 7 Schubert German Dance (Op. 33 No. 7) (observing repeats) or Theme from Rosamunde. One + One, Vol. 1 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2202, teacher's score 2201)
 - 8 Sor Leçon in C, Op. 60 No. 1. No. 1 from Sor Introductory Studies, Op. 60 (Schott GA 33) or No. 16 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 1 (Les Productions d'Oz 101) or Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)

LIST C

- 1 L. Bernstein One Hand, One Heart (from West Side Story) (observing repeat) Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 1, arr. Batchelar
 2 Colin Tommis The Dangers of Poking Holes in Ice
 Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 1, arr. Batchelar
 and Wright (ABRSM)
 - 3 Colin Downs A Little Russian Tale or My Dog has Fleas. No. 3 or No. 7 from Solo Now!, Preparatory Book
- 4 **Richard Wright** Pas-de-deux (observing repeat). No. 2 from ∫ (Chanterelle 2100)
- † 5 Eben Oh, love, love or The pipes were playing at Pobuda. No. 3 or No. 19 from Eben 33 Czech Folksongs, arr. Batchelar (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2212, teacher's score 2211)
- 6 Stephen Kenyon Free-wheeling † 7 Satie A Tiresome Prank ABC Guitar (Jacaranda Music JM02-003)
 - 8 Štěpán Rak Chanson ancienne or Chanson slovaque (observing repeat). P. 5 or P. 8 from Rak Jeux sur 6 cordes (Lemoine)

SIGHT-READING*: a four- or six-bar single-line piece in $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ or $\frac{2}{4}$ in C, G or F majors, A or E minors, simple note values, in 1st position; may contain passages for thumb alone. Simple dynamics and occasional accidentals (within minor keys only) may be encountered. See also p. 9.

AURAL TESTS FOR THE GRADE*: see pp. 94 and 95

* Published by ABRSM (Scale requirements, Specimen Sight-Reading Tests, Specimen Aural Tests)

[†] Pieces to be played accompanied by a second guitar or, if necessary, a piano (see p. 7)

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes except where indicated:

Scales (one octave)

Fingers only (tirando or apoyando, at candidate's choice)

D major; A minor (*natural* or *melodic*, at candidate's choice), D minor (*natural* or *harmonic*, at candidate's choice), as example in Grade 1

Thumb only (*tirando*) C major

Chromatic scale (one octave)

Thumb only (tirando)

starting on A

Arpeggios (one octave) (tirando)

C, D majors; A, D minors

THREE PIECES: one chosen by the candidate from each of the three Lists, A, B and C:

LIST A

- 1 Anon. Chanson (observing repeat). No. 12 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 1 (Les Productions d'Oz 101)
- 2 Anon. À la mode de France (observing repeats). P. 8 from The Young Guitarist's Progress, Repertoire Part 1, ed. Burden (Garden Music 39: 2008 edition)

Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 1, arr. Batchelar and Wright

- 3 Arbeau Pavane (from Orchésographie) (observing repeats)
- † 4 Dowland Can she excuse my wrongs?
- 5 Felton Farewell Manchester

† 6 Frescobaldi Aria detta la Frescobalda

- † 7 Handel Minuet. No. 11 from One + One, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2204, teacher's score 2203)
- 8 Vivaldi Spring (from The Four Seasons). Making the Grade, Guitar Grade 2, arr. Burden (Chester CH61612)

LIST B

1 Aguado Valse (Walzer) in G (observing repeats). No. 17 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 1 (Les Productions d'Oz 101) or P. 11 from The Guitarist's Progress, Book 1, ed. Burden (Garden Music 1) or No. 2 from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 1 (Schott GA 19)[§]

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- 2 Beethoven Ode to Joy (from Symphony No. 9)
- † 3 Haydn Menuet (Hob. IX/8 No. 12) Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 1, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 4 Trad. Irish The Sixpence (observing repeat)
- 5 Giuliani Écossaise in A minor (Op. 33 No. 10). No. 22 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 1 (Les Productions d'Oz 101) or No. 11 from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 1 (Schott GA 19)[§]
- † 6 Reinecke A Fairy Tale (from Op. 127a). No. 7 from One + One, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2204, teacher's score 2203)
- † 7 Schubert Serenade (An den Mond). ABC Guitar (Jacaranda Music JM02-003)
- 8 Sor Leçon in C, Op. 60 No. 2. No. 2 from Sor Introductory Studies, Op. 60 (Schott GA 33) or No. 18 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 1 (Les Productions d'Oz 101) or Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)

LIST C

- 1 David Cottam Have a Habanera! or Well of Sighs. Zebracadabra (ESG Music 077)
- † 2 Eben Andulichko, hello (observing repeats) or When I took geese to the pasture. No. 10 or No. 18 from Eben 33 Czech Folksongs, arr. Batchelar (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2212, teacher's score 2211)
- 3 Gareth Glyn Sad Song or Gimme Five. No. 19 or No. 28 from Solo Now!, Preparatory Book (Chanterelle 2100)
- † 4 Vojislav Ivanovic Slavonic Waltz. No. 10 from One + One, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2204, teacher's score 2203)
- † 5 Lennon & McCartney Here, There and Everywhere
 - 6 Richard Wright Ballroom Blues
 - 7 Štěpán Rak Conversation (observing repeat) or Agitation. P. 10 or P. 13 from Rak Jeux sur 6 cordes (Lemoine)
 - 8 Jaime Zenamon Soñando (No. 3 from 20 Epigrammes). P. 26 from Graded Repertoire for Guitar, Book 1, ed. Yates (Mel Bay)

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† Pieces to be played accompanied by a second guitar or, if necessary, a piano (see p. 7)

[§] P. 5 (Aguado) and P. 10 (Giuliani) in the reissued album (entitled An Hour with the Guitar, Book 1: also GA 19)

SIGHT-READING*: a four- or six-bar single-line piece, time and key signatures as Grade 1, with the addition of D minor. Further use of 1st position. Occasional use of staccato. Some dotted notes may be encountered. See also p. 9.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes except where indicated:

Scales (two octaves)

Fingers only (tirando or apoyando, at candidate's choice)

A major; B minor harmonic, as example in Grade 1

Thumb and fingers combined (thumb for lower octave, fingers for upper octave) (*tirando*) G major; E minor *melodic*, as example below:



Chromatic scale (one octave)

Fingers only (*tirando* or *apoyando*, at candidate's choice) starting on D

Interval scale (one octave) (together and broken; tirando)

F major in sixths, as examples below:



Broken chord (one octave) (tirando; with over-ringing)

G major, as example below:



Arpeggios (two octaves) (tirando; without over-ringing)

G, A majors; E, B minors

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[†] Pieces to be played accompanied by a second guitar or, if necessary, a piano (see p. 7)

[§] P. 11 (Küffner) and P. 19 (Sor) in the reissued album (entitled An Hour with the Guitar, Book 1: also GA 19)

LIST A

- 1 Anon. The Coventry Carol. P. 71 from Graded Repertoire for Guitar, Book 1, ed. Yates (Mel Bay)
- 2 Anon. Grimstock. 10 English Pieces for Guitar (Capriol)
- 3 J. S. Bach Musette (from English Suite No. 3)
- 4 Morlaye Branle No. 2 (observing repeats) Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- † 5 **Purcell** Rondeau (from *The Fairy Queen*)
 - 6 Dowland Orlando Sleepeth. P. 12 from Graded Repertoire for Guitar, Book 2, ed. Yates (Mel Bay)
 - 7 Logy Sarabande or Gigue (observing repeats in Gigue). No. 3 or No. 7 from The Baroque Book (Chanterelle 2111)
- † 8 Rameau Musette en Rondeau. No. 3 from One + One, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2204, teacher's score 2203)

LIST B

- 1 J. Ferrer Allegretto moderato in A minor. P. 27 from The Guitarist's Progress, Book 1, ed. Burden (Garden Music 1)
- 2 J. Ferrer Vals in A (observing repeat). P. 7 from The Young Guitarist's Progress, Part 2, ed. Burden (Garden Music 7) 3 Giuliani Allegretto (Op. 50 No. 15)
- [†] 4 **Gounod** Funeral March of a Marionette *Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)*
 - 5 Mertz Tempo di marcia (No. 1 of three pieces)
 - 6 Küffner Arietta in A (observing repeats). P. 18 from The Guitarist's Progress, Book 1, ed. Burden (Garden Music 1) or No. 14 from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 1 (Schott GA 19)⁸
 - 7 Sor Exercice in C, Op. 35 No. 2. No. 33 (Andantino) from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 1 (Schott GA 19)[§] or Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)
- † 8 Tchaikovsky Sweet Reveries (Op. 39 No. 21). No. 16 from One + One, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2204, teacher's score 2203)

LIST C

- 1 Léo Brouwer No. 5: from Estudios sencillos (Simple Studies) (Vol. 1) (Eschig) (also available in Brouwer Oeuvres pour guitare: Eschig)
- 2 David Cottam Peppermint Rag. Zebramusic for Guitar (ESG Music 076)
- ⁺ 3 Eben Whose are these geese? No. 31 from Eben 33 Czech Folksongs, arr. Batchelar (Chanterelle: pupil's part 2212, teacher's score 2211)
 - 4 Stephen Goss Aeolian Harp. No. 10 from Solo Now!, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle 2102)
 - 5 Vincent Lindsey-Clark Oloroso or Vals Navarra: No. 2 or No. 5 from Simply Spanish (Montague Music 116)
 - 6 Štěpán Rak Danse folklorique tchèque. P. 12 from Rak Jeux sur 6 cordes (Lemoine)
- 7 Richard Rodgers My Favorite Things (from The Sound of Music)
 8 Peter Wrieden The Acrobat
 7 Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)

SIGHT-READING*: a piece of up to eight bars in length, time and key signatures as Grade 2, with the addition of $\frac{3}{8}$ and D major, and with occasional use of 2nd position. Some integration of thumb and fingers into simple broken-chord patterns. Wider incidence of articulation. See also p. 9.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes except where indicated:

Scales (two octaves)

Fingers only (*tirando* or *apoyando*, at candidate's choice) Bb major; B minor *melodic*, as example in Grade 1

Thumb and fingers combined (thumb for lower octave, fingers for upper octave) (*tirando*) F major; F# minor *harmonic*, as example in Grade 3

Chromatic scale (two octaves)

Thumb and fingers combined (thumb for lower octave, fingers for upper octave) (*tirando*) starting on G, as example below:



Interval scales (one octave) (together and broken; tirando)

G major in tenths, as patterns below:



A minor harmonic in sixths, as patterns in Grade 3

Broken chord (one octave) (*tirando*; with over-ringing) C major, as example in Grade 3

Arpeggios (two octaves) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) F, B♭ majors; B, F♯ minors

Dominant seventh (one octave) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) in the key of G, resolving on the tonic, as example below:



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§ P. 17 in the reissued album (entitled An Hour with the Guitar, Book 1: also GA 19)

LIST A

- 1 Anon. Allemande in A minor or Balletto in D. No. 1 or No. 4 from Renaissance Dances (Universal UE 13070)
- 2 Brescianello Menuet. No. 12 from The Baroque Book (Chanterelle 2111) No. 9 from
- 3 Jelínek Bourrée.
- Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright 4 Dowland Tarleton's Resurrection (ABRSM)
- 5 Handel Gavotte (from three pieces) (*observing repeats*) ∫ No. 5 from
- 6 le Roy Branle in D minor. Répertoire progressif, Vol. 3 (Les Productions d'Oz 103) 7 P. Schäffer Fröhlich will ich singen. No. 7 from
- 8 T. Smyth Galliard. 10 English Pieces for Guitar (Capriol)

LIST B

- 1 Carcassi Pastorale (Op. 21 No. 16) Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright
- (ABRSM) 2 Haydn Menuet (Hob. IX/3 No. 2) (observing repeats)
- 3 Ferandiere Allemande. Guitar Music for Beginners, Vol. 2 (Editio Musica Budapest Z.13867)
- 4 J. Ferrer Vals in E minor. P. 11 from The Guitarist's Progress, Book 2, ed. Burden (Garden Music 2)
- 5 Horetzky Andantino in A minor. No. 29 from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 1 (Schott GA 19)[§]
- NHERE MODERATO IN A MINOR. P. 57 from
 Shand Valse in G (from Op. 100). P. 60 from
 Graded Repertoire for Guitar, Book 2, ed. Yates (Mel Bay)
- 8 Sor Petite pièce in G, Op. 44 No. 6 or in D, Op. 44 No. 14. No. 18 or No. 15 from The Classical Book (Chanterelle 2112) or Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)

LIST C

- 1 Peter Batchelar Cat and Mouse. No. 19 from Solo Now!, Vol. 2 (Chanterelle 2102)
- 2 Timothy Bowers Ostinato. No. 2 from Solo Now!, Vol. 3 (Chanterelle 2103)
- 3 Léo Brouwer No. 8: from Estudios sencillos (Simple Studies) (Vol. 2) (Eschig) (also available in Brouwer Oeuvres pour guitare: Eschig)
- 4 David Cottam Amontillado. Zebramusic for Guitar (ESG Music 076)
- Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright 5 Colin Downs I Spy
- 6 **Stephen Goss** Japanese Water Garden (*observing repeats*) (ABRSM)
- 7 Vincent Lindsey-Clark Steely Blue or Mississippi Ditty: from Simply Swing (Montague Music 122)
- 8 Stěpán Rak Petit blues. P. 14 from Rak Jeux sur 6 cordes (Lemoine)

SIGHT-READING*: a piece of around eight bars in length, time and key signatures as Grade 3, with the addition of $\frac{6}{8}$ and A major. Further use of 2nd position, and featuring simple two-part writing (mostly open strings in one or other voice). Occasional chromatic notes, pause signs and ties may be encountered. See also p. 9.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes except where indicated:

Scales (two octaves)

Fingers only (both tirando and apoyando)

D major; A minor harmonic, as example in Grade 1

Thumb and fingers combined (thumb for lower octave, fingers for upper octave) (*tirando*) E major; G minor *melodic*, as example in Grade 3

Chromatic scale (two octaves)

Thumb and fingers combined (thumb for lower octave, fingers for upper octave) (*tirando*) starting on B, as example in Grade 4

Interval scales (one octave) (together and broken; tirando)

A major in sixths, as patterns in Grade 3

F major in octaves, as patterns below:

Together



Broken

A minor melodic in tenths, as patterns in Grade 4

Broken chord (one octave) (*tirando*; with over-ringing) E minor, as example in Grade 3

- **Arpeggios** (two octaves) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) D, E majors; A, G minors
- **Dominant seventh** (two octaves) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) in the key of D, resolving on the tonic, as example in Grade 4
- **Diminished seventh** (two octaves) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) starting on A

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LIST A

- 1 Anon. Villanelle. No. 5 from Renaissance Dances (Universal UE 13070)
- 2 J. S. Bach Bourrée No. 1: from Cello Suite No. 3, BWV 1009. J. S. Bach Cello Suites 1-4, arr. Wright (Cadenza Music)
- 3 Dowland Lady Laiton's Almain. No. 9 from Répertoire progressif, Vol. 3 (Les Productions d'Oz 103) or No. 9 from Le petit livre de guitare, Vol. 2, ed. Gagnon (Les Productions d'Oz 12)
- 5 Vivaldi Largo (from 'Winter': The Four Seasons)
 Fime Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 6 H. Neusidler Tanz (incl. Nachtanz). Guitar Music for Beginners, Vol. 2 (Editio Musica Budapest Z.13867)
- 7 Telemann Gigue. No. 25 from The Baroque Book (Chanterelle 2111)
- 8 de Visée Sarabande: from Suite in D minor (Universal UE 11322) (NB: the edition UE 34480 not suitable for exam use)

LIST B

- 1 Aguado Valse caractéristique. No. 19 from The Classical Book (Chanterelle 2112) 2 Coste Lecon in D minor. No. 27 from
- 3 Carcassi Étude No. 3 in A or No. 16 in F: from 25 Études mélodiques progressives, Op. 60 (Chanterelle 470 or Tecla Editions 345) (also available as No. 28 or No. 21 in The Classical Book: Chanterelle 2112)
- 4 Carulli Siciliana in A minor (from Op. 241). P. 45 from Graded Repertoire for Guitar, Book 2, ed. Yates (Mel Bay)
- 5 J. Ferrer Ejercicio: No. 1 from Charme de la nuit (Faber)
- 6 Mertz Allegretto (No. 3 of three pieces)
- Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM) 7 Tchaikovsky March of the Wooden Soldiers
- 8 Sor Leçon in B minor, Op. 31 No. 4 or Petite pièce in D, Op. 44 No. 15. No. 34 or No. 31 from The Classical Book (Chanterelle 2112) or Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)

LIST C

- 1 Léo Brouwer No. 6: from Estudios sencillos (Simple Studies) (Vol. 2) (Eschig) (also available in Brouwer Oeuvres pour guitare: Eschig)
- 2 David Cottam Campanella Prelude. Zebramusic for Guitar (ESG Music 076)
- 3 Stephen Dodgson Grasshopper. No. 19 from Solo Now!, Vol. 3 (Chanterelle 2103)
- 4 Gerald Garcia Étude No. 3 (Flocon de neige) or No. 14 (L'Indigo seul): from 25 Études esquisses (Mel Bay)
- 5 Guinga Senhorinha Time Pieces for Guitar, Vol. 2, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 6 Khachaturian No walk today!
- 7 Vincent Lindsey-Clark Havre Gosselin: No. 2 from Five Pictures of Sark (Montague Music 117)
- 8 Ponce Prelude in Bb: No. 21 from 24 Preludes (Tecla Editions 23) (also available as No. 11 in Ponce 12 Preludes: Schott GA 540)

SIGHT-READING*: a piece of around eight to twelve bars in length, time and key signatures as Grade 4, with the addition of B minor. Use of fingerboard up to 5th position and greater use of two-part writing. Anacrusis, simple syncopation and a slowing of tempo at the end may be encountered. See also p. 9.

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SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes:

Scales (minors in both harmonic and melodic forms)

Fingers only (both tirando and apoyando)

Eb major; C, C# minors (two octaves), as example below:

E major (three octaves), as example below:



Chromatic scale (two octaves)

Fingers only (both *tirando* and *apoyando*) starting on C

Interval scales (one octave) (together and broken; tirando)

C major in thirds, as patterns below:



F major in tenths

B minor *harmonic* in sixths as respective patterns in Grades 3–5

G minor melodic in octaves

Broken chord (one octave) (*tirando*; with over-ringing) Bb major, as example in Grade 3

Arpeggios (*tirando*; without over-ringing) Eb major; C, C#minors (two octaves) E major (three octaves)

Dominant seventh (two octaves) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) in the key of F, resolving on the tonic, as example in Grade 4

Diminished seventh (two octaves) (*tirando*; without over-ringing) starting on D

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LIST A

- 1 attrib. J. S. Bach March in D. No. 22 from 2 Milán Payane. No. 8 from } Le petit livre de guitare, Vol. 2, ed. Gagnon (Les Productions d'Oz 12)
- 3 J. S. Bach Sarabande: from Cello Suite No. 3, BWV 1009. J. S. Bach Cello Suites 1-4, arr. Wright (Cadenza Music)
- 4 Dowland Air: from Air and Galliard (Universal UE 12402)
- 5 da Milano Fantasia. No. 7 from da Milano 14 Fantasie per chitarra (Editio Musica Budapest Z.13269)
- 6 D. Scarlatti Sonata in A, Kp. 80 or Sonata in G, Kp. 83. No. 1 or No. 7 from Scarlatti for Guitar, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 7 de Visée Allemande: from Suite in D minor (Universal UE 11322) (NB: the edition UE 34480 not suitable for exam use)
- 8 S. L. Weiss Menuet in C. No. 4 from Weiss for Guitar, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)

LIST B

- 1 Carcassi Étude No. 13 in A or No. 15 in C: from 25 Études mélodiques progressives, Op. 60 (Chanterelle 470 or Tecla Editions 345)
- 2 Diabelli Menuett and Trio: 3rd movt from Sonata No. 1 in C. Diabelli Three Sonatas (Schott GA 57)
- 3 Giuliani Andantino sostenuto: 1st movt from Sonatina in D, Op. 71 No. 3 (Tecla Editions 2564-3)
- 4 Giuliani 'Sonatine' (from Op. 96 No. 1). No. 8 from } The Guitarist's Hour, Book 3 (Schott GA 21)
- 5 Sor 'La Chasse' ('Pièce de chasse') (Op. 47 No. 2). No. 16 from $\int 10^{-10}$
- 6 F. Molino Preludio in F. No. 36 from The Classical Book (Chanterelle 2112)
- 7 Sor Leçon in D, Op. 31 No. 10 or Exercice in A, Op. 35 No. 21. Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)
- 8 Tárrega Sueño (Mazurka). Tárrega Works for Guitar, Vol. 3 (Original Compositions) (Bèrben)

LIST C

- 1 Léo Brouwer No. 11: from Estudios sencillos (Simple Studies) (Vol. 3) (observing repeats) (Eschig) (also available in Brouwer Oeuvres pour guitare: Eschig)
- 2 David Cottam Gardens in the Rain. Zebramusic for Guitar (ESG Music 076)
- 3 Stephen Dodgson Ragged Robin or Sirius: No. 2 or No. 8 from Ode to the Guitar (complete edition: Ricordi)
- 4 Gerald Garcia Étude No. 12 (Cœur de la rose): from 25 Études esquisses (Mel Bay)
- 5 A. Lauro Armida: No. 1 from Tríptico (Universal UE 29172)
- 6 Vincent Lindsey-Clark Cycles in the Avenue: No. 3 from Five Pictures of Sark (Montague Music 117)
- 7 Pernambuco Brasileirinho. Pernambuco Famous Chôros, Vol. 1 (Chanterelle 761)
- 8 Ponce Prelude in D minor (Chant populaire espagnol): No. 24 from 24 Preludes (Tecla Editions 23) (also available as No. 6 in Ponce 12 Preludes: Schott GA 540)

SIGHT-READING*: length, time and key signatures as Grade 5, with the addition of $\frac{9}{8}$, $\frac{5}{4}$ and $\frac{5}{8}$, Bb major and F# minor. Occasional use of fingerboard above 5th position and wider incidence of simple polyphonic writing. Easily prepared partial barrés may be encountered. See also p. 9.

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SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes:

Scales (minors in *both* harmonic *and* melodic forms)

Fingers only (both tirando and apoyando)

Ab, B majors; D, G# minors (two octaves) F major; F minor (three octaves)

as examples in Grade 6

Chromatic scale (three octaves)

Fingers only (both tirando and apoyando) starting on E, as example below:



Interval scales (together and broken; tirando)

D minor *harmonic* in octaves } (one octave)

C minor *melodic* in tenths

C major in sixths } (two octaves) G major in thirds

as respective patterns in Grades 3-6

Broken chord (two octaves) (tirando; with over-ringing) G minor, as example in Grade 3

Arpeggios (tirando; without over-ringing) Ab, B majors; D, G# minors (two octaves) F major; F minor (three octaves)

Dominant seventh (three octaves) (tirando; without over-ringing) in the key of A, resolving on the tonic, as example in Grade 4

Diminished seventh (three octaves) (tirando; without over-ringing) starting on E

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LIST A

- 1 J. S. Bach Allemande: from Lute Suite in E minor, BWV 996. Bach Solo Lute Works, ed. Koonce (Neil Kjos Music KJ15022) or Bach Lute Suites for Guitar, ed. Willard (Ariel Publications AM27616)
- 2 J. S. Bach Menuets I and II: from Cello Suite No. 2, BWV 1008. J. S. Bach Cello Suites 1-4, arr. Wright (Cadenza Music)
- 3 Milán Fantasía del quarto tono
- Hispanae Citharae Ars Viva, arr. Pujol (Schott GA 176) 4 Narváez Diferencias sobre 'Guárdame las vacas'
- 5 da Milano Fantasia. No. 5 from da Milano 14 Fantasie per chitarra (Editio Musica Budapest Z.13269)
- 6 D. Scarlatti Sonata in Eminor, Kp. 81 or Sonata in A, Kp. 208. No. 5 or No. 6 from Scarlatti for Guitar, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 7 de Visée Gigue (observing repeats): from Suite in D minor (Universal UE 11322) (NB: the edition UE 34480 not suitable for exam use)
- 8 S. L. Weiss Rondeau in A minor or Bourrée in C. No. 5 or No. 7 from Weiss for Guitar, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)

LIST B

- 1 Carcassi Étude No. 17 in A minor or No. 18 in A: from 25 Études mélodiques progressives, Op. 60 (Chanterelle 470 or Tecla Editions 345)
- 2 Coste Étude in C (Allegretto). No. 7 from Coste 25 Etüden, Op. 38 (ed. Koch: Schott GA 34) or No. 12 from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 3 (Schott GA 21)⁸
- 3 Diabelli Andante sostenuto: 2nd movt from Sonata No. 3 in F. Diabelli Three Sonatas (Schott GA 57)
- 4 J. Ferrer Vals: No. 5 from Charme de la nuit (Faber)
- 5 Giuliani Tempo di Marcia (and Trio): 2nd movt from Sonatina in D, Op. 71 No. 3 (Tecla Editions 2564-3)
- 6 Matiegka Menuett and Trio in G. No. 4 from The Guitarist's Hour, Book 3 (Schott GA 21)[§]
- 7 Sor Leçon in A, Op. 31 No. 19 or in A minor, Op. 31 No. 20. Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)
- 8 Tárrega Pavana. Tárrega Works for Guitar, Vol. 3 (Original Compositions) (Bèrben)

LIST C

- 1 Léo Brouwer Pieza sin título No. 1 (available separately or in Brouwer Oeuvres pour guitare: Eschig)
- 2 Stephen Dodgson Ghost Story: No. 4 from Ode to the Guitar (complete edition: Ricordi)
- 3 Gerald Garcia Étude No. 4 (Les Ajoncs d'or) or No. 18 (Argent): from 25 Études esquisses (Mel Bay)
- 4 A. Lauro La Negra: No. 3 from Tríptico (Universal UE 29172)
- 5 Pernambuco Sons de Carilhões (version 2). P. 6 from Pernambuco Famous Chôros, Vol. 1 (Chanterelle 761)
- 6 Ponce Prelude in F# minor or Prelude in B: No. 8 or No. 11 from 24 Preludes (Tecla Editions 23) (also available as No. 1 or No. 4 in Ponce 12 Preludes: Schott GA 540)
- 7 Tansman Sarabande or Barcarole: 2nd or 4th movt from Cavatina (Schott GA 165)
- 8 Villa-Lobos Prélude No. 3 in A minor (omitting DS) (available separately or in Villa-Lobos Collected Works for Solo Guitar: Eschig)

SIGHT-READING*: a piece of around twelve to sixteen bars in length, time and key signatures as Grade 6, with the addition of $\frac{7}{8}$ and $\frac{7}{4}$, E major and G minor. Simple use of 12th-fret harmonics may be encountered. See also p. 9.

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SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS*: from memory, even notes:

Scales (minors in *both* harmonic *and* melodic forms) Fingers only (both tirando and apoyando)

Db major; Bb, Eb minors (two octaves) } as examples in Grade 6

G, F# majors; E minor (three octaves)

Chromatic scale (three octaves)

Fingers only (both *tirando* and *apoyando*) starting on F, as example in Grade 7

Interval scales (together and broken; tirando)

D major in tenths (one octave)

A major in thirds

as respective patterns in Grades 3-6 G minor melodic in sixths (two octaves) F[#] minor *harmonic* in octaves

Chromatic in octaves, starting on E (two octaves), as patterns below:



Broken chords (two octaves) (tirando; with over-ringing)

A major; G# minor, as example in Grade 3

Arpeggios (tirando; without over-ringing)

 $D \Rightarrow$ major; $B \Rightarrow$, $E \Rightarrow$ minors (two octaves)

G, F# majors; E minor (three octaves)

Dominant sevenths (three octaves) (tirando; without over-ringing) in the keys of C and Bb, resolving on the tonic, as example in Grade 4

Diminished sevenths (three octaves) (tirando; without over-ringing) starting on G and on F

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LIST A

BWV 1006a

1 J. S. Bach Gigue: from Lute Suite in A minor, **BWV 997**

2 J. S. Bach Loure: from Lute Suite in E.

Bach Solo Lute Works, ed. Koonce (Neil Kjos Music KJ15022) or Bach Lute Suites for Guitar, ed. Willard (Ariel Publications AM27616)

- 3 J. S. Bach Prelude: from Cello Suite No. 2, BWV 1008
- J. S. Bach Cello Suites 1–4, arr. Wright (Cadenza Music) 4 J. S. Bach Courante: from Cello Suite No. 4, BWV 1010
- 5 Dowland The Frog Galliard. Dowland Solowerke 1 (Universal UE 16699)
- 6 da Milano Ricercare (p. 2) or Fantasia (p. 10). Da Milano Ricercari und Fantasien (Universal UE 16703)
- 7 Narváez Canción del Emperador. Hispanae Citharae Ars Viva, arr. Pujol (Schott GA 176)
- 8 D. Scarlatti Sonata in E minor, Kp. 292 or Sonata in A, Kp. 322. No. 8 or No. 9 from Scarlatti for Guitar, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)
- 9 S. L. Weiss Courante in D minor or Giga in D. No. 9 or No. 10 from Weiss for Guitar, arr. Batchelar and Wright (ABRSM)

LIST B

- 1 Coste Étude in E minor (Scherzando). No. 10 (pp. 20-22) from Coste 25 Etüden, Op. 38 (ed. Koch: Schott GA 34)
- 2 Diabelli Menuett and Trio: 3rd movt from Sonata No. 2 in A. Diabelli Three Sonatas (Schott GA 57)
- 3 Giuliani Scherzo con moto (and Trio) or Finale (Allegro): 3rd or 4th movt from Sonatina in D, Op. 71 No. 3 (Tecla Editions 2564-3)
- 4 Mertz Polacca in D (observing repeats). No. 6 from
- The Guitarist's Hour, Book 3 (Schott GA 21)[§] 5 Sor Rondo in D (Op. 48 No. 6) (observing repeat). No. 18 from
- 6 Paganini Romanze: 2nd movt from Grand Sonata (Universal UE 16708)
- 7 Schubert, arr. Mertz Das Fischermädchen. Mertz Guitar Works, Vol. 7 (Six Schubert Songs) (Chanterelle 423)
- 8 Sor Study in Eminor, Op. 6 No. 11 or in A, Op. 6 No. 12. Sor Complete Studies (Chanterelle 491) or Sor Complete Studies, Lessons and Exercises (Tecla Editions 101)
- 9 Tárrega Gran Vals in A. Tárrega Works for Guitar, Vol. 3 (Original Compositions) (Bèrben)

LIST C

- 1 Stephen Dodgson Hornets' Nest: No. 9 from Ode to the Guitar (complete edition: Ricordi)
- 2 J. Duarte Prelude: 1st movt from English Suite, Op. 31 (Novello NOV120101)
- 3 Moreno Torroba Madroños. Moreno Torroba Música para guitarra (UME UMG28028) or The Guitar Music of Spain, Vol. 3 (Wise Publications AM90242)
- 4 Ponce Valse (Schott GA 153)
- 5 Smith Brindle Sonata No. 4, 'La Breve': any one movement (observing repeats in 3rd movt) (Schott ED 11424)
- 6 Tansman Preludio (observing repeat) or Scherzino (observing repeat): 1st or 3rd movt from Cavatina (Schott GA 165)
- 7 Turina Garrotín or Soleares: No. 1 or No. 2 from Hommage à Tárrega (Schott GA 136)
- 8 Villa-Lobos Étude No. 8 (observing repeat): from 12 Études (Eschig) (also available in Villa-Lobos Collected Works for Solo Guitar: Eschig)
- 9 Villa-Lobos Mazurka-Chôro (observing repeats): 1st movt from Suite populaire brésilienne (Eschig) (1st movt also published separately, and Suite available in Villa-Lobos Collected Works for Solo Guitar: Eschig)

SIGHT-READING*: a piece of around sixteen to twenty bars, time and key signatures as Grade 7, with the addition of $\frac{12}{9}$ and C minor. Full barrés and simple ornaments may be encountered. See also p. 9.