

GCSE Music (8271/C)

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Every year, we publish a range of student work for GCSE Music Component 3: Composing music (8271/C) showcasing different approaches from schools and colleges around the country. The materials cover a wide range of marks representing achievement at all levels of the mark scheme for Composition 1: Composition to a brief and Composition 2: Free composition.

The primary purpose of this work is to help you standardise work for the internally assessed component before submitting marks for moderation. The examples can also support your teaching by exemplifying a range of marks.

To help you find the examples you need, the tables below identify marked work found on Centre Services, within [Teacher online standardisation \(T-OLS\)](#).

Please note, in order to enable centres to standardise without having seen the marks in advance, the pieces of work from the current year do not include the mark. The marks and commentaries for these pieces of work are available to view on T-OLS once you have inputted your mark.

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Component 3: Composing music (marks out of 72)

- Composition 1: Composition to a brief (marks out of 36 marks)
- Composition 2: Free composition (marks out of 36 marks).

Original series	Title	Description	Mark	Brief/Free
2025	T26 Student 1 – Brief	Feeble Winters		Brief 2
2025	T26 Student 1 – Free	Adventure Time		Free
2025	T26 Student 2 – Brief	Spooky Waltz		Brief 1
2025	T26 Student 2 – Free	Final Loss		Free
2025	T26 Student 3 – Brief	Hope is for Us		Brief 3
2025	T26 Student 3 – Free	Nature		Free
2025	T26 Student 4 – Brief	Up and Down		Brief 1
2025	T26 Student 4 – Free	Melodic Peace		Free
2025	T26 Student 5 – Brief	Home Again		Brief 2
2025	T26 Student 5 – Free	Pavement Poetry		Free
2024	T25 Student 2 – Brief	The Swimming Turtle	26	Brief 2
2024	T25 Student 2 – Free	Under the Weather	13	Free
2024	T25 Student 3 – Brief	Dance Festival	3	Brief 1
2024	T25 Student 3 – Free	Don't Worry Baby	31	Free
2024	T25 Student 4 – Brief	Chinese Festival	10	Brief 2
2024	T25 Student 4 – Free	Wonderful Wedding Day	32	Free
2024	T25 Student 5 – Brief	Parallel String Quartet	36	Brief 3
2024	T25 Student 5 – Free	Endless Dream	25	Free
2024	T25 Student 6 – Brief	Text	19	Brief 3
2024	T25 Student 6 – Free	Rando in F major	22	Free
2023	T24 Student 1 – Brief	Brief	6	Brief 1

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Original series	Title	Description	Mark	Brief/Free
2023	T24 Student 1 – Free	Life and War	9	Free
2023	T24 Student 2 – Brief	La piccola tartaruga	21	Brief 2
2023	T24 Student 2 – Free	Willow tree	18	Free
2023	T24 Student 3 – Brief	One Text Way	29	Brief 3
2023	T24 Student 3 – Free	Fiesta De Las Rosa	22	Free
2023	T24 Student 4 – Brief	Sing the Sea	36	Brief 3
2023	T24 Student 5 – Free	Runnin' Around the Blues	30	Free
2019	T21 S1A – Brief	Give Me Rock n Roll	36	Brief 2
2019	T21 S1B – Free	Enlightenment	33	Free
2019	T21 S2A – Brief	Song for a musical	5	Brief 2
2019	T21 S2B – Free	Baka	8	Free
2019	T21 S3A – Brief	Fanfare for Hepworth	19	Brief 4
2019	T21 S3B – Free	The 3 rd Parade	18	Free
2019	T21 S4A – Brief	Shapeless	29	Brief 4
2019	T21 S4B – Free	Groove Shaker	28	Free
2019	T21 S5A – Brief	Odyssey	22	Brief 3
2019	T21 S5B – Free	Out of the blue	21	Free
2019	T21 S6A – Brief	Subtle sax	12	Brief 1
2019	T21 S6B – Free	HK	10	Free
2019	T21 S7A – Brief	Tangosnap	24	Brief 3
2019	T21 S7B – Free	Compo Chicken	25	Free