



TONBRIDGE SCHOOL

Sample Paper for Entrance into Year 12

Music

Time allowed: 45 minutes

In addition to this written paper, candidates are also encouraged to submit any composition and/or harmony work for consideration, along with copies of their most recent practical qualifications (e.g. ABRSM certificates).

Please choose one of the following essays:

1. What are the advantages and disadvantages of “live” performances over recordings? Consider your answer from the perspectives of both performers and listeners.
2. How is the performance of music affected by time, place and occasion? You should refer to specific examples.
3. Are musical influences important to the composer, or is it necessary to be original? Your answer should give detailed musical examples and refer to specific composers.
4. Referring to two contrasting works that you have performed, explain why you have enjoyed them and what technical and musical aspects you had to consider in the learning process.

END OF PAPER