Edexcel

AS MUSIC

Section A (Questions 1 - 4)

Vocal Music: J S Bach

Mark Scheme

Question 1: Bach: Ein feste Burg (Movement 1: bars 1 - 42)

12 marks

Ques`n	Part	Marking guidance		
1	(a)	D major		
1	(b)	tenor(s)		
1	(c)	(bar 1) fanfare motif [1] on trumpets (and timpani) [1] (instrumental) bass line [1] on cellos [1] plus continuo [1]		
1	(d)	A (major) OR the dominant		
1	(e)	[1 mark] for an answer which describes the repetition / exchange of the main theme in all four parts / voices (with or without bar numbers) [1 mark] for further detail eg alternation of subject and answer OR alternation of tonic and dominant OR use of tonal (rather than real) answers OR use of countersubject `ein` gute Wehr`		
1	(f)	repetition - same phrase repeated at the same pitch sequence - same phrase repeated at a higher or lower pitch. imitation same phrase exchanged between different instruments / voices / parts (usually at a different pitch). call and response an exchange between (usually) two parts, but not necessarily the same musical phrase. Might be a soloist and a group.		
1	(g)	(1 st) trumpet and oboes play (first line of) the main theme (in octaves) [1] plus two short fanfares [1] on trumpets and timpani [1]		
1	(h)	use of `natural` trumpet [1] further detail of construction eg valveless, double the length of a modern trumpet, mostly pitched in D in Bach's music [1] restricted to the notes of the harmonic series [1] notes obtained by subtle changes in embouchure [1] typically, there will be sustained use of the upper, clarino register [1] to obtain notes in scale sequence (arpeggios only in the lower octave) [1]		

Question 2: Bach: Ein feste Burg (Movement 2: bars 1 - 23)

12 marks

Ques`n	Part	Marking guidance			Total marks		
2	(a)	they play in unison at the same pitch			1		
2	(b)	(groups of) `quaver rest plus three quavers` OR just `groups of three quavers` but not just `quavers`			1		
2	(c)	walking bass			1		
2	(d)	change to `complete` arpeggios (no repeated notes) [1] in both parts [1] change to semiquavers in bass part [1] (mostly) parallel motion between the two parts [1] homorhythmic [1]					
2	(e)	oboe			1		
	(f)	Location		Description			
2		At letter A - the 5 th note in bar 10	0 is a(n):	auxiliary			
		At letter B - the last note in bar 1		anticipation	4		
		At letter C - the 2nd note in bar	13 is a(n):	passing note	max		
		At letter D - the 1st note in bar 1	4 is a(n):	suspension			
		Bar 15	Ва	r 16			
2		(totally) conjunct (r	mostly) disju	nct			
	(g)		mixed` rhythi description)	ms (or similar	2 any 2		
			epeating rhytnelodic) patte	thmic (but not ern			
		s	yncopated				

Question 3: Bach: Ein feste Burg (Movement 8: complete)

12 marks

Ques`n	Part	Marking guidance		
3	(a)	homophonic		
3	(b)	contrary motion they move in opposite directions		
3	(c)	perfect 4 th `perfect` is required		
3	(d)	diminished C# - E - G in 1 st inversion		
3	(e)	a sus(pended) 4 th A - G# crotchets in the tenor part		
3	(f)	imperfect cadence [1] in E minor [1]		
3	(g)	the instruments double the vocal / choral parts		
3	(h)	`Ein feste Burg` is a chorale cantata [1] the text of the four stanzas of the chorale (written by Luther) [1] is used unchanged in movements 1, 2, 5 and 8 (although students would not be expected to know movement 5) [1] the chorale melody is used (in modified form) as a fugue subject [1] and also a <i>cantus firmus</i> [1] in trumpet I and oboes [1] in movement 1, which is in the style of a chorale fantasia [1] the chorale melody is also used in ornamented form [1] in the soprano soloist and oboe [1] in movement 2, and finally in its original form in movement 8 [1] <i>the other movements use</i> (devotional) texts written for the purpose the vital importance of chorales in Lutheran worship is underlined in this type of cantata [1] congregational participation was an important element in the Lutheran church and the communal singing of chorales was central - the congregation would therefore join with the choir and orchestra in the closing chorale (movement 8) of this cantata [1] the Schlusschoral was an important devotional feature of almost all of Bach`s religious choral works [1]		