CLASSICAL GUITAR

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CHECKLIST

- ✓ Have your guitar tuned and ready to play when called for your exam.
- ✓ If you are taking your exam in a centre outside of the Royal Irish Academy of Music in Dublin, and in a centre with which you are not familiar, please bring your own music stand, and where appropriate, footstool.
- ✓ Original and/or legally downloaded music must always be in the room; failure to do so will result in disqualification
- A copy of the music should be supplied to the examiner. Alternative editions from reputable sources may be used. If unsure whether your edition is deemed suitable please email redmondotoole@riam.ie or contact the local centre exam office.
- ✓ Three pieces must be chosen: follow the instructions for each grade.
- ✓ Where applicable, remember to bring your successful RIAM Theory & Harmony result sheet and/or certificate to the practical exam if it corresponds with the grade you are taking, or is higher than the grade you are taking on the guitar: you will be exempt from the theory or combined aural/theoretical tests as appropriate.
- ✓ Repeats
- ✓ Accompaniment in Preliminary and Primary grade only. Some accompaniments are available in free e-Books, teachers may also accompany using simple broken chords.
- ✓ Please see <u>www.riam.ie/riam-exams/publications</u> to download the free e-Book

PRELIMINARY: CLASSICAL GUITAR

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory to the right hand requirement below in rest stroke. Suggested left-hand fingerings are available in the <u>Preliminary Grade Classical Guitar e-Book</u> (www.riam.ie/riam-exams/publications)

SCALES	KEY	FINGERING	OCTAVE
	Major		
	C, G	i,m or m,i.	To a 5th
	N/:		
	Minor		
	A	i,m or m,i.	To a 5th
ARPEGGIOS	Major		
AKTEGGIOS	•	· ·	T5.
	C, G	i,m or m,i.	To a 5th
	Minor		
	A	i,m or m,i.	To a 5th
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PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform a total of three pieces chosen from the RIAM Ebook and/or the pieces listed below in any combination.

COMPOSER	PIECE	PUBLICATION	EDITION
Any piece from RIA	AM Irish Guitarist Compositions		
Nutall & Whitworth	Aunt Rhody	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	German Folk Song	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Good King Wenceslas	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	La Bergamesca	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Oh When the Saints	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	The Tallis Cannon	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music

PRELIMINARY: CLASSICAL GUITAR

THEORY (5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

is available from music stockists.

• Clefs, stave, bar lines, double bar lines, note values, simple time signatures, tempo, dynamics, and articulations.

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Preparatory grade or higher, candidates will be awarded a full <u>five marks</u> for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout:*Preparatory by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for the RIAM theory preparatory level, and

AURAL

(10 marks)

The aural test comprises three sections in Preliminary (aural observation, memory and reading).

Aural Observation

• A short piece will be played twice. On the second playing the tempo and dynamics will be changed. Questions about the tempo and dynamics of either playing will be asked.

Memory

- Clap or tap from memory the rhythm of a two-bar melody in simple duple or triple time. The pulse will be provided after which the melody will be played three times; it will begin on the first beat of the bar.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a two-bar major melody (range of a major third), which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

• Clap or tap at sight a three-bar rhythm in either simple triple or quadruple time. It will consist of crotchets, minims, and semibreves. The use of time names is also accepted.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Junior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

PRELIMINARY: CLASSICAL GUITAR

SIGHT READING (10 marks)

To recognise and to play any of the first five notes of the scale of C on the first and second string

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SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory to the right hand requirement below in rest stroke. Suggested left-hand fingerings are available in the <u>Primary Grade Classical Guitar e-Book</u> (www.riam.ie/riam-exams/publications)

SCALES	Key Major	FINGERING	OCTAVE	
	C, G	i, m	1	
	Harmonic	minor		
	A	i, m	1	
ARPEGGIOS	Major			
	G	p,i,m,a	1	
	Minor			
	E	p,i,m,a	1	

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform a total of three pieces chosen from the RIAM Ebook and/or the pieces listed below in any combination.

COMPOSER	PIECE	PUBLICATION	EDITION
Any piece from RIA	M Irish Guitarist Compositions		
Nutall & Whitworth	Carnival	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Polish Folk song	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Song of the Mountains	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Spanish Dance	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Ukraine Folk song	The Guitarist's Way Book 1	Holley Music

THEORY

PRIMARY: CLASSICAL GUITAR

(5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

• Clefs, stave, bar lines, double bar lines, note values, simple time signatures, tempo, dynamics, and articulations.

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Preparatory grade or higher, candidates will be awarded a full five marks for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout:*Preparatory by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for the RIAM theory preparatory level and is available from music stockists.

AURAL

(10 marks)

The aural tests comprise three sections in primary (aural observation, memory and reading).

Aural Observation

• A short piece will be played once, after which a question about the tempo (identify the speed, or a possible change) and the dynamics (how did it begin, how did it end, which half was louder or softer) will be asked.

Memory

- Clap or tap from memory the rhythm of a two-bar melody in simple triple, quadruple, or compound duple time, which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, and the melody will begin on the first beat of each bar.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a two-bar major melody (range of a major third), which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

• Clap or tap at sight a four-bar rhythm in either simple triple or quadruple time, consisting of crotchets, minims, dotted minims, and semibreves. The use of time names is also accepted.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Junior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

SIGHT READING

PRIMARY: CLASSICAL GUITAR

(10 marks)

• Four bars in C major, simple duple time. Crotchets and minims. Single line only using first and seconds strings in first position.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory to the right hand requirement below in rest stroke. Suggested left-hand fingerings are available in the <u>Grade 1 Classical Guitar e-Book</u> (www.riam.ie/riam-exams/publications)

SCALES	KEY	FINGERING	OCTAVE			
(All scales, r	(All scales, rest stroke and free stroke: examiner's choice)					
	Major					
	C, G	i, m or m, i	1			
	Harmonic	minor				
	Е	i, m or m, i	1			
CHROMATIC	E	i, m or m, i	1			
ARPEGGIOS	free stroke o	only)				
	Major					
	C, G	p, i, m, a, m, i	1			
	Minor					
	Е	p, i, m, a, m, i	1			

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perfrom a total of three pieces chosen from the RIAM Ebook and/or the pieces listed below in any combination

COMPOSER	PIECE	PUBLICATION	EDITION
Any piece from RIAM Ir	sh Guitarist Compositions		
Nutall & Whitworth	Boogie 2	The Guitarist's Way Book 3	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Drunken Sailor	The Guitarist's Way Book 2	Holley Music

Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth	Legend Night Flight	The Guitarist's Way Book 3 The Guitarist's Way Book 2	Holley Music Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth	Serenade Siesta	The Guitarist's Way Book 3 The Guitarist's Way Book 4	Holley Music Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth	Song of the Sea The Rocky Shore Toccata	The Guitarist's Way Book 3 The Guitarist's Way Book 3 The Guitarist's Way Book 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music

THEORY

(5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

• Note values, time signatures, keys and corresponding key signatures, tempo, dynamics, and articulations.

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Grade I or higher, candidates will be awarded a full five marks for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout: Grade 1* by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for RIAM theory Grade I, and is available from music stockists.

AURAL

(10 marks)

The aural tests comprise three sections in Grade I (aural observation, memory, and reading).

Aural Observation

• A short piece will be played once after which two questions will be asked from two of the following three categories: tempo (identify the speed or a possible change), dynamics (describe the dynamics, and any possible changes including sudden or gradual changes), or articulation (legato, staccato, a mixture of both, or which part was legato or staccato – treble or bass).

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of a melody already heard in the aural observation; the extract will be played twice.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a two-bar major melody (range of a fifth) which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord, and starting note.

Reading

- Clap or tap at sight a four-bar rhythm in either simple triple or quadruple time, consisting of crotchets, minims, dotted minims, semibreves, and crotchet rests. The use of time names is also accepted.
- Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a two-bar melody (range of a major third in C major) in simple quadruple time. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted. At the candidate's request, the examiner will transpose the starting note to suit the candidate's range.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Junior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

SIGHT READING (10 marks)

Four bars in C major, simple quadruple time. Crotchets and minims. Single line only in first position on treble strings

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke. Arpeggios are freestroke

SCALES	KEY Major	FINGERINGS	OCTAVE
	D, A, F	i, m or m, i	1
	Harmonic m	inor	
	E, D	i, m or m, i	1
CHROMATIC	A	i, m or m, i	1
ARPEGGIOS	Major C	p, i, m, a, m, i	2
	Minor A	p, i, m, a, m, i	2

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces from the list below. Alternative editions of a suitable level and quality may be used.

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Anonymous (arr. Creaghan)	Packington's Pound	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Bach (arr. McFadden)	Bourrée II	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
	(Suite for Solo Cello No. 4, BWV	7 1010)	
Calvi, Carlo (attrib.)	Pavaniglia and Canario	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Carcassi, Matteo	Moderato, No. 11	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Andante, No. 18	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Andantino, No. 20	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM

Carulli, Ferdinando	Waltz, No. 21	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Dionisio, Aguado	Exercise No. 10	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Dionisio, Aguado	Lesson 59	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Domeniconi, Carlo	Equilibrato (Balance)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Domeniconi, Carlo	Nostalgia	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Dwyer, Benjamin	Study 3 or 4	www.cmc.ie	CMC
Ford, Thomas	There is a Lady Kind and Sweet	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Gallant, Pierre	Study in Imitation	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Koshkin, Nikita	Snowflakes	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Küffner, Joseph	Andantino, No. 43	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Losy, Jan Antonín	Gigue, Little Suite in C Major	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Mertz, Johann Kaspar	Romanze	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Montreuil, Gérard	Tango pour Mario	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
Norbert Kraft arr.	Scarborough Fair	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	RCM
NT4-11 0 XX71-14	Cavatina	The Critarist's Way Pook 1	Halley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Cavatilla	The Guitarist's Way Book 4	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth	Heart of Spain	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4	Holley Music
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Nutall & Whitworth	Heart of Spain	The Guitarist's Way Book 4	Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa)	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4	Holley Music Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two,	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh Rosseter, Philip	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two, What is a Day	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill RCM
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh Rosseter, Philip Sanz, Gaspar	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two, What is a Day Españoleta	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill RCM RCM
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh Rosseter, Philip Sanz, Gaspar Sor, Fernando	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two, What is a Day Españoleta Allegretto (No. 2)	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill RCM RCM RCM
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh Rosseter, Philip Sanz, Gaspar Sor, Fernando Sor, Fernando	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two, What is a Day Españoleta Allegretto (No. 2) Andante Op. 44, No. 1 Andante, Op. 31 No. 1 Andantino (No. 2)	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh Rosseter, Philip Sanz, Gaspar Sor, Fernando Sor, Fernando Sor, Fernando	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two, What is a Day Españoleta Allegretto (No. 2) Andante Op. 44, No. 1 Andante, Op. 31 No. 1	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM
Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Nutall & Whitworth Ogawa, Takashi O'Neill, Darragh Rosseter, Philip Sanz, Gaspar Sor, Fernando Sor, Fernando Sor, Fernando Sor, Fernando	Heart of Spain Prelude (At the Villa) Siesta Aux temps lointains An Umbrella for Two, What is a Day Españoleta Allegretto (No. 2) Andante Op. 44, No. 1 Andante, Op. 31 No. 1 Andantino (No. 2)	The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 The Guitarist's Way Book 4 Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2 www.darraghoneill.com Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 2	Holley Music Holley Music Holley Music RCM O'Neill RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM RCM

THEORY (5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

- Note values, time signatures, keys and corresponding key signatures, tempo, dynamics, and articulations.
- Describe the character/mood of any of the pieces performed (i.e. happy, sad, dance-like, jazzy, energetic etc.)

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Grade II or higher, candidates will be awarded a full <u>five marks</u> for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout: Grade 2* by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for RIAM theory Grade II, and is available from music stockists.

AURAL

(10 marks)

The aural tests comprise three sections in Grade II (aural observation, memory and reading).

Aural Observation

- A short piece will be played once after which two questions will be asked from two of following three categories: tempo, dynamics, or articulation.
- On the second playing, join in by clapping the pulse of the piece.

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of a melody already heard in the aural observation; the extract will be played once.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a two-bar major or minor melody (range of a perfect fifth) which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord and starting note. At the candidate's request, the examiner will transpose the starting note to suit the candidate's range.

Reading

• Clap or tap at sight a four-bar rhythm in either simple triple or quadruple time, consisting of quavers, crotchets, minims, dotted minims, semibreves, and crotchet rests. The use of time names is also accepted.

• Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a two-bar melody (range of a perfect fifth in C, G, or F major) in simple triple or quadruple time. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted. At the candidate's request, the examiner will transpose the starting note to suit the candidate's range.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Junior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

SIGHT READING (10 marks)

Four bars in C or G major, simple quadruple time. Crotchets and minims. Single line only first position, using treble strings only.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory.

Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke. Arpeggios are freestroke

SCALES	KEY	FINGERING	OCTAVES
	Major C, G	i, m or m, i	2
	Harmonic m	inor	
	A	i, m or m, i	2
CHROMATIC	A	i, m or m, i	2
In Thirds	Major C	i, m or m, i	1
ARPEGGIOS	Major C, G	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i, p	2
	Minor A , E	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i, p	2

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces, one from each list A, B, and C

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COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Bach (arr. Kraft)	Menuet III	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
De Visée, Robert	Menuet	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Dowland, John	Orlando Sleepeth	Yates Graded Repertoire for Guitar Book 2	Mel Bay
Handel (arr. Kraft)	Prelude in C Major	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Le Roy, Adrian	Almande	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Logy, J.A. (arr. Wright)	Sarabande	The Baroque Book	Chanterelle
Sanz, Gaspar	Españoleta	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Traditional (arr. Gagnon)	Danse de village	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Traditional (arr. Hudson)	Mary Hamilton	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Traditional (arr. Mahon)	Greensleeves	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Traditional (arr. McFadden)	Good King Wenceslas	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM

LIST B			
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Aguado, Dionisio	Lesson 15 (Waltz)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Beethoven (arr. McFadden)	Für Elise	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Dwyer, Benjamin	Study 5 or 6	www.cmc.ie	CMC
Carcassi, Matteo	La Chasse (The Hunt), No.30	O Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Andante, No. 17	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Waltz, No. 24	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Diabelli, Anton	Study in F, No. 27	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Ferrer, José	Ejercicio	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Andantino Mosso, No. 3	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Mertz, Johann Kaspar	Andante	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Paganini, Nicolò	Menuet	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Andantino, No. 3	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Andantino, No. 5	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM

Sor, Fernando Exercice pour les sixtes Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3 RCM

LIST C

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Ayala, Héctor	El Coyuyo (The Cicada)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Bosch, Jacques	Première guagirana, No.2	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Brouwer, Leo	No. 1, No. 2, or No. 4	Estudios sencillos (Études simples)	ESC
Brown, James	Bells	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Domeniconi, Carlo	Danza del gatto	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Dwyer, Benjamin	Study 5 or 6	www.cmc.ie	CMC
Grundy, Alan	Impromptu (Bercuese)	www.dublinschoolofguitar.com	Grundy
Grundy, Alan	Country Ramble	www.dublinschoolofguitar.com	Grundy
Jackman, Richard Miles	Recognition	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Kraft, Norbert	Ancient Drums	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
McFadden, Jeffrey	Volatility	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Sávio, Isaís	Peixe vivo (Toada)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Sávio, Isaís	Samba-Lelê	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Tárrega, Francisco	Study in C Major	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM
Tisserand, Thierry	Rumba à Gatelle	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 3	RCM

THEORY (5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

- Note values, time signatures, keys and corresponding key signatures, tempo, dynamics, and articulations.
- Describe the character/mood of any of the pieces performed (i.e. happy, sad, dance-like, jazzy, energetic etc.)

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Grade III or higher, candidates will be awarded a full five marks for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout: Grade 3* by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for RIAM theory Grade III, and is available from music stockists.

AURAL

(10 marks)

The aural tests comprise three sections in Grade III (aural observation, memory and reading).

Aural Observation

- A short piece will be played once after which one question will be asked about either dynamics or articulation.
- On the second playing, join in by clapping the pulse of the piece.
- Identify the pulse, or time signature (3 or 4 beats per bar, or $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{4}{4}$)

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of a melody from a section of the piece from the aural observation. The extract will be played once.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a two-bar major or minor melody (range of a perfect fifth) which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

- Clap or tap at sight a four-bar rhythm in either simple triple, quadruple, or compound duple time, consisting of quavers, crotchets, dotted crotchets, minims, dotted minims, semibreves, and crotchet rests. The use of time names is also accepted.
- Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a four-bar major melody (range of a fifth, including skips of a third ascending and/or descending) in the keys of C, G, D, or F major, in either simple triple or quadruple time. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted. At the candidate's request, the examiner will transpose the starting note to suit the candidate's range.

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SIGHT READING (10 marks)

• Four bars in C, G major, or A minor, simple quadruple time. Quavers, crotchets, and minims. Single line only first position, using treble strings only.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke, Arpeggios are freestroke only

SCALES	KEY	FINGERING	OCTAVES	
	Major E, F	i, m or m, i or i, a		2
	Harmonic m E	inor i, m or m, i or i, a		2
	Melodic min	or i, m or m, i or i, a		2
CHROMATIC	C	i, m or m, i or i, a		2
IN THIRDS	Major A	i, m or m, i or i, a		1
IN SIXTHS	Major E	i, m or m, i or i, a		1
Arpeggios	Major E, F♯, F	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i	, a, m, i, p	2
	Minor B, F♯	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i	, a, m, i, p	2

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces, one from each list A, B, and C

LIST A

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Anonymous	Ballet	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Anonymous	The Woods so Wild	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Bach, J. S.	Gavotte	The Baroque Book	Chanter
	(6th mvt from Suite No. 6 in D, BWV 1012)		
De Visée, Robert	Suite No. 11 (Sarabande)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Dowland, John	Awake, Sweet Love	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Dowland, John	Lady Laiton's Almain	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Dowland, John	Mrs Winter's Jump	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Losy, Jan Antonín	Aria	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Losy, Jan Antonín	Sarabande	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Sanz, Gaspar	Españoleta	Europäische Gitarren – und Lautenmusik, 5	RIC

LIST B

L101 D			
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Augado, Dionisio	Exercise 8	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Augado, Dionisio	Lesson 10	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Bosch, Jacques	Lamento, Op. 89 No. 5	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Allegretto, Op. 241 No. 14	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Rondo, Op. 241 No. 34	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Allegretto, Op. 50 No. 22	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Larghetto, Op. 50 No. 17	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Paganini, Nicolò	Menuet: Sonata no. 27, 1st mvt	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Andante, Op. 31 No. 4	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Exercise, Op. 35 No. 13	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM

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COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION EDIT	ION
Brouwer, Leo	No. 5, or No. 8 or No. 14	Estudios sencillos	Chester
Domeniconi, Carlo	Die Rose im Garten (The Rose in the Garden)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Dyens, Roland	Impressions soleil couchant (Sunset Impressions)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Dwyer, Benjamin	Study 7 or 8	www.cmc.ie	CMC
Flynn, David	Gymn O'Paddy No.1	www.davidflynn.com	Melbay
Grundy, Alan	Bossy Bossa	www.dublinschoolofguitar.com	Grundy
García de León, Ernesto	Madre e hijo (Mother and Son)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Kleynjans, Francis	Valse chôro, Op. 64 No. 1	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Koshkin, Nikita	Ceremony	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Koshkin, Nikita	Elephant	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Pujol, Emilio	Study No. 1	Escuela razonada de la guitarra, 2	RIC
Riera, Rodrigo	Monotonia	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Semenzato, Domingo	Divagando (Choro)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Summers, Richard	Pomp and Ceremony	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM
Tárrega, Francisco	Lágrima (Tear)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 4	RCM

THEORY (5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

- Time signatures, keys (atonal pieces do not apply), any musical terms, signs, and tempo indications.
- Identify the relative major or minor key of any of the pieces performed.
- Name the period of any of the pieces (i.e. Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Twentieth Century, Contemporary etc.).

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Grade IV or higher, candidates will be awarded a full five marks for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout: Grade 4* by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for RIAM theory Grade IV, and is available from music stockists.

AURAL

(10 marks)

The aural tests comprise three sections in Grade IV (aural observation, memory and reading).

Aural Observation

- A short piece will be played once after which one question will be asked about either dynamics or articulation. Italian terms are required.
- On the second playing, join in by clapping the pulse of the piece.
- Identify the pulse, or time signature (3 or 4 beats per bar, or $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{4}{4}$)

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of a melody from a section of the piece from the aural observation, which will be played once.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a two-bar major or minor melody (range of up to a perfect octave) which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

- Clap or tap at sight a four-bar rhythm in either simple triple, quadruple, or compound duple time, consisting of semi-quavers, quavers, crotchets, dotted crotchets, minims, dotted minims, semibreves, and crotchet rests. The use of time names is also accepted.
- Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a four-bar major melody (range of a sixth, including skips of a third and fifth ascending and descending) in the keys of C, G, D, or F major, in either simple triple or simple quadruple time. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted. At the candidate's request, the examiner will transpose the starting note to suit the candidate's range.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Junior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

SIGHT READING (10 marks)

• Six bars in C, G, D major, A, or E, minor. Simple triple or quadruple time. Quavers, crotchets, minims, dotted crotchets, and dotted minims. Quaver, crotchet, and minim rests. Single melody line with bass notes on open string only. G–A' on treble strings. Tempo markings (moderato, andante, allegretto) are included.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke, Arpeggios are freestroke only

SCALES	KEY Major	RIGHT HAND FINGERING	OCTAVES
	E C, F	i, m or m, i or i, a	3 2
	Harmonic m	inor	
	E F, G	i, m or m, i or i, a	3 2
	Melodic min	or	
	A	i, m or m, i or i, a	2
CHROMATIC	E	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
IN THIRDS	Major G	i, m or m, i or i, a	2
IN OCTAVES	Major G	i, m or m, i or i, a	2
ARPEGGIOS	Major E D, F	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc. p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i, p	3 2
	Minor E A, G	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc. p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i, p	3 2

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces, one from each list A, B, and C

LIST A

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Anon.16th Cent. Eng			RCM
C	Kemp's Jig	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	
Anon., arr. Chilesotti	Se io m'accorgo (If I am Troubled)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Bach, arr. Wright	Bourrée I (suite No. 3 in G, BWV 1009)	J.S. Bach: Cello Suites 1–4	Cadenza
Baron, arr. Wright	Sarabande	The Baroque Book	Chanterelle
Campion, Thomas	Gigue	Classical Montage	WAT
Dowland, John	My Lord Willoughby's Welcome Home	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Holborne, Anthony	Almain (The Night Watch)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Losy, Jan Antonín	Capriccio and Gavotte	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Telemann, arr. Wright	Gigue	The Baroque Book	Chanterelle
Weiss, Silvius Leopold	l Sonata No. 19 in F Major, Menuet	Intavolatura di liuto, 1	ZRB

LIST B

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COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Aguado, Dionisio	Contradanse, Op 8. No 5	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Carcassi, Matteo	Étude, Op. 60 No. 7	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Carcassi, Matteo	Étude, Op. 69 No. 10	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Carulli, Ferdinando	Andante	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Coste Napoléon	La Chasse, Op. 51 No. 9 (The Hunt)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Allegretto grazioso, Op. 52 No. 10	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Vivace, Op. 48 No. 1	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Sagreras, Julio	Lesson 6	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Allegretto, Op. 35 No. 8	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
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COMPOSER PIECE		SUGGESTED PUBLICATION EDITION	
Anon. arr. Hamilton	Spanish Romance	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Benedict, Robert	Choral Fughetta	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Benedict, Robert	Nocturne 1	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Brouwer, Leo	Estudio No. 3	Estudios sencillos	ESC
Brouwer, Leo	Estudio No. 6	Estudios sencillos	ESC
Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Mario	Tempo di siciliana	Appunti Op. 210 No. 1	ZRB
Dyens, Roland	Babybaião	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Kleynjans, Francis	Petite valse des cinq cordes (Little Five-String Waltz)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Pujol, Máximo Diego	1st mvt: Preludio	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Reiher, Alain	Miniature No. 19	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 5	RCM
Tansman, Alexandre	Triolets No. 12	12 pièces faciles, book 1	ESC
O'Neill Darragh	Leon	www.darraghoneill.com	O'NEI
O'Neill Darragh	The Juggler	www.darraghoneill.com	O'NEI

THEORY (5 marks)

The examiner will ask up to five questions in relation to any of the pieces performed.

Name and explain

- Time signatures, keys (atonal pieces do not apply), any musical terms, signs, and tempo indications.
- Identify the relative major/minor and dominant keys of the tonic.
- Name the period of any of the pieces performed (i.e. Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Twentieth-Century, Contemporary etc.).

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Grade V or higher, candidates will be awarded full five marks for this section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout: Grade 5* by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for RIAM theory Grade V, and is available from music stockists.

AURAL (10 marks)

The aural tests comprise three sections in Grade V (aural observation, memory, and reading).

Aural Observation

- A short piece will be played once after which one question will be asked about the dynamics or articulation. Italian terms are required.
- State whether the time signature is $\stackrel{3}{4}$, $\stackrel{4}{4}$, or $\stackrel{6}{8}$
- State whether the tonality is major or minor

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of a melody from a section of the piece from the aural observation, which will be played once.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a three-bar major or minor melody (range of an octave) which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

- Clap or tap at sight a four-bar rhythm in either simple triple, quadruple, or compound duple time, consisting of semiquavers, quavers, dotted quavers, crotchets, dotted crotchets, minims, dotted minims, semibreves, and crotchet rests. The use of time names is also accepted.
- Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a four-bar major melody (range of up to an octave, including skips of a third and leaps of a fifth ascending and descending) in either simple triple or simple quadruple time. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted. At the candidate's request, the examiner will transpose the starting note to suit the candidate's range.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Junior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

SIGHT READING (10 marks)

Eight to ten bars in C, G, D major, A, E, or D minor. Simple triple, quadruple, compound duple, and quadruple time. Quavers, crotchets, minims, dotted crotchets, and dotted minims. Quaver, crotchet, and minim rests. Double stops and accidentals. Treble strings only, G–A'.

Tempo markings including adagio, andante and allegro moderato.

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke, Arpeggios are freestroke only

SCALES	KEY	FINGERING	OCTAVES
	Major		
	F, F♯, G, B♭, B	i, m or m, i or i, a or m, a	2
	Harmonic		_
	E	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
	F, F♯, G		2
	Melodic minor		
		i m on m i on i o	2
	G, A, B	i, m or m, i or i, a	2
CHROMATIC	E F G	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
CHROMATIC	2,1,0	i, iii 01 iii, i 01 i, u	3
IN THIRDS	Harmonic minor		
	В	i, m or m, i or i, a	2
ARPEGGIOS	Major		
	E	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc.	3
	G, Ab, A, Bb, B	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i, p	2
	Minor		
	E	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc.	3
	G, Ab, A, Bb, B	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i, p	2

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces, one from each list A, B, and C

LIST A

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Bach	Bourrée (Suite for Lute, BWV 996)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Bach	Sarabande	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
	(Suite for solo Cello No. 2, BWV 1008)		
Foscarini, Giovanni Paolo	Pavaniglia con parti variate	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Galilei, Vincenzo attrib.	Saltarello	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Johnson, Robert	Allmayne	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Milán, Luis	Pavane III	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Purcell, Henry	Air and Minuet (ed. Julian Bream)	The Classical Guitar Collection	Faber
Sanz, Gaspar	La cavallería di Nápoles	Instrucción de music sobre la guitarra,	
-	-	Española Book 2	IMSLP
Weiss, Silvius Leopold	Prelude (Sonata No. 5)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM

LIST B

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Aguado, Dionisio	Contredanse, Op. 8 No. 6	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Carcassi, Matteo	Rondo, Op. 5 No. 14	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Caprice, Op. 100 No. 12	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Caprice, Op. 100 No. 13	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Haydn	Minuet and Trio	Arr. Franois de Fossa	EOP
	(from Symphony No. 85 'La Reine')		
Legnani, Luigi	Caprice, Op. 20 No. 4	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Mertz, Johann Kaspar	Nocturne Op. 4 No. 1	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Mertz, Johann Kaspar	Nocturne Op. 4 No. 2 (excerpt)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Moreno Torroba, Federico	Preambulo	Pièces charactéristiques, Book 1	OTT
Sor, Fernando	3rd mvt: Menuet and Trio	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM

Tárrega, Francisco	Adelita (Mazurka)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Tárrega, Francisco	Etude in E Major	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM

LIST C

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Barrios, Augustín	Preludio	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Bogdanović, Dušan	Secret No. 3 and Secret No. 7	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Brouwer, Leo	Estudio No. 7	Estudios sencillos	ESC
Dwyer, Benjamin	Study 9 or 10	www.cmc.ie	CMC
Camisassa, Claudio	La ligamos (Milonga)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 6	RCM
Coldrick, Pat	Wake Unto Me	www.patcoldrick.com	PCM
Dyens, Roland	No. 1: Lettre à Sydney	20 Lettres	Lemoine
Lauro, Antonio	Registro (Preludio)	Suite venezolana	BVP
O'Neill, Darragh	The Chocolate Ceiling	www.darraghoneill.com	O'Neill
Piazzolla, Astor	Sensuel	El sueño de una noche de verano	B&H
Poulenc, Francis	Sarabande	Sarabande pour guitar	RIC
Villa-Lobos, Heitor	Prelude 4	Cinq préludes	ESC

COMBINED AURAL AND THEORETICAL REQUIREMENTS (15 marks)

The combined aural/theoretical test comprises four sections in Grade VI (aural/visual observation, memory, reading, and intervals).

Aural/Visual Observation

• The candidate will be given a copy of a piece that will be played twice by the examiner. After the first playing state the tonic key and the relative of the tonic. Describe the time signature as simple or compound, duple, triple or quadruple. Give the technical names of specific pitches from the piece as indicated by the examiner. After the first or second playing, describe the texture of the piece from one of three options provided. After the second playing, locate any type of cadence (i.e. perfect, imperfect, plagal, interrupted).

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of the upper line of a short two-part extract, which will be played three times. The pulse will be given before the first playing.
- Sing, hum, or whistle a major or minor melody of up to four bars (range of up to an octave) in either simple or compound duple, or simple triple, quadruple time. The pulse, tonic chord and starting note will be provided before the first playing.

Reading

• Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a four-bar major melody (range of an octave including intervals of a skip of a third and leap of a fourth ascending and descending) in either simple triple or quadruple time. The starting pitch of the test will be altered to accommodate the candidate's range where requested. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted.

Intervals

- Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa a selection of major and perfect intervals (major second to perfect octave) above a pitch provided by the examiner.
- Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa both notes of a selection of harmonic major and perfect intervals (major second to perfect fifth) played by the examiner twice. Identify the interval.

For exam preparation, Sample Aural Tests: Senior Grades for RIAM Local Centres and Schools is available from music stockists.

Please note that on the presentation of a RIAM Theory & Harmony certificate for Grade VI or higher, candidates will be awarded a full fifteen marks for the aural/theoretical section in the practical exam. The RIAM theory workbook *Music Workout: Grade 6* by Jean Archibald and Bernadette Marmion has been specifically designed for RIAM theory Grade VI and is available from music stockists.

SIGHT READING (10 marks)

Eight to ten bars, in C, G, D, major, A, E, or D minor. Simple triple, quadruple, compound duple, and quadruple time. First and second positions on all strings. Double stops, basic counterpoint, and accidentals. Semiquavers, quavers, crotchets, minims, dotted crotchets, and dotted minims. Dynamic markings (*p*, *f*, *mf*, *mp*). Tempo markings (adagio and allegretto).

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS

(15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke, Arpeggios are freestroke only

SCALES	Key	FINGERING	OCTAVES
	Major E	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
	Harmonic and melodic minor (exami	ner's choice)	
	E	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
	F, F\$, G, Ab, A, Bb, B, C, C\$, D		2
CHROMATIC	E, F, G	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
	Major		
IN THIRDS	E	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
IN SIXTHS	E		
IN OCTAVES	E		
ARPEGGIOS	Major		
	Е	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc. 3	
	F, F#, G, Ab, A, Bb, B, C, C#, D	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i,	p 2
	Minor		
	E	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc. 3	
	F, F\$, G, Ab, A, Bb, B, C, C\$, D	p, i, m, a, i, m, a, m, i, a, m, i,	p 2
DOMINANT 7 _{TH}	In the key of G, starting on D	i,m or m,i	2

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces, one from each list A, B, and C

LIST A: RENAISSANCE AND BAROOUE

EDITION EDITION
Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7 RCM
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a harpa en la manerade Luduvico IMSLP
Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7 RCM

LIST B: CLASSICAL AND ROMANTIC

LIST D. CLASSICAL	AND KUMANTIC		
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Carcassi, Matteo	Étude, Op. 60 No. 19	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Carcassi, Matteo	Andantino No. 21	25 studies, ed. Karl Scheit	UNI
Carcassi, Matteo	Étude No. 17	25 studies, ed. Karl Scheit	UNI
Giuliani, Mauro	Allegro, Op. 50 No. 26	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Giuliani, Mauro	Caprice, Op. 100 No. 11	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Legnani, Luigi	Caprice, Op. 20 No. 28	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Llobet, Miguel (arr.)	El testament d'Amelia	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Leçon, Op. 31 No. 20	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Strauss, Johann	Waltz No. 1 and Waltz No. 2	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Tárrega, Francisco	Pavana	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM
Tárrega, Francisco	Vals en re	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM

LIST C: TWENTIETH AND TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

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COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION	
Brouwer, Leo	Un dia de novembre	Dos temas populares Cubanos	ESC	
Brouwer, Leo	Berceuse (Canción de cuna)	Dos temas populares Cubanos	ESC	
Coldrick, Pat	Serenade	www.patcoldrick.com	PC	
Dyens, Roland	Rue la Quintinie	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM	
Dwyer, Benjamin	Study 16 or 17	www.cmc.ie	CMC	
Flynn, Dave	The Mahatma of the Glen	www.daveflynn.com	MEL	
Lauro, Antonio	Vals venezolano No. 1	Quatro valses venezolanos	BVP	
Martin, Frank	Air	Quatre pieces brèves	UNI	
Satie, Eric	Gymnopédie No. 1	Virtuoso Music for Guitar	SBR	
Smith Brindle, Reginald	Prelude No. 2 and Prelude No. 3	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 7	RCM	
Tansman, Alexandre	2nd mvt: Sarabande	Cavatina	OTT	
Villa-Lobos, Heitor	Prélude No. 3	Cinq preludes	ES	
Walton, William	Bagatelle No. 2	Five Bagatelles	OUP	

COMBINED AURAL AND THEORETICAL REQUIREMENTS

(15 marks)

The combined aural/theoretical test comprises four sections in Grade VII (aural/visual observation, memory, reading, and intervals) **Aural/Visual Observation**

• The candidate will be given a copy of a piece that will be played twice by the examiner. After the first hearing, state the tonic key, the relative of the tonic, and the dominant key. After the first or second hearing comment as requested on the structure of the piece. After the second hearing, locate a perfect and/or imperfect cadence and indicate where the music modulates to the relative major/minor or dominant key.

Memory

- Clap the rhythm of the lower line of a short two-part extract, which will be played three times. The pulse will be given before the first playing.
- Sing, hum, or whistle the melody from the upper line of a short two-part extract (range of up to an octave) in a major or minor key, which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided before the first playing, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

• Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa at sight a four-bar major or minor melody (range of up to an octave, including skips of a third and leaps of a fifth) in either simple triple or quadruple time. The starting pitch will be altered to accommodate the candidate's range where requested. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided.

Intervals

- Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa a minor third and/or sixth above a pitch played by the examiner.
- Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa both notes a selection of major and perfect harmonic intervals (major second to perfect octave) played twice by the examiner, and identify the interval.

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SIGHT READING (10 marks)

• A piece of practical grade 4 standard 8-16 bars

SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS (15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke, Arpeggios are freestroke only

SCALES	Key Major	FINGERING OCTAVES	
	E, F, F#, G, АЬ, А, ВЬ, В С, С#, D, ЕЬ	i, m or m, i or i, a	3 2
	Harmonic and Melodic minor F, F♯, G, A♭, A, B♭, B	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
CHROMATIC	E, F, G	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
In Thirds	MAJOR G, F	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m etc.	2
IN SIXTHS	E, F	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m etc.	2
IN OCTAVES	G, E, F	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m etc.	2
In Thirds	HARMONIC MINOR A, E	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m etc.	2
IN SIXTHS	A, E	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m etc.	2
IN OCTAVES	A, E	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m etc.	2

ARPEGGIOS	Major E, G, A	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc.	3
	Minor E, F, G	p, i, m, a, i, m, a etc.	3
DOMINANT 7TH	IN THE KEY OF C, STARTING ON F	i, m OR m,i	3

PIECES

(60 marks: 20x3)

The candidate must perform three pieces, one from each list A, B, and C

LIST A: RENAISSANCE AND

BAROQUE			
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Bach	Allemande (Suite for Lute, BWV 996)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Bach	Gigue	Suite for Lute BWV 997	
Bach, arr. McFadden	Gigue (Suite for solo cello No. 3, BWV 1009)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Bach	Sarabande	Suite for Lute BWV 997 (Koonce)	KJOS
Bach, arr. Carols	Andante	Sonata for Solo Violin No. 2, BWV 1003	CLM
Bach, arr. Duarte	Siciliana	Sonata for Solo Violin No. 1, BWV 1001	NOV
Dowland, John	Queene Elizabeth, Her Galliard, Poulton 41	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Dowland, John	The Frog Galliard Poulton 23	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Cimarosa, Domenico	Sonata No. 1	Cimarosa: Three Sonatas	FAB
Cimarosa, Domenico	Sonata No. 3	Cimarosa: Three Sonatas	FAB
Scarlatti	Sonata in A Major, K 208	Sonata in A Major, K 208	JMF
(arr. McFadden)			
Weiss, Silvius Leopold	l Fantasie	Fantasie	UE

LIST B: CLASSICAL AND ROMANTIC_

COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Carcassi, Matteo	Allegro, Op. 60 No. 23	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Coste, Napoléon	Allegretto, Op. 38 No. 13	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Diabelli, Anton	Andante sostenuto (Sonata in F Major)	The Classical Guitar Collection	FAB
Giuliani, Mauro	Garyowen, Op. 125 No. 1	Sei Arie Nazionale Irlandesi (Tony Wilkonson)	IMSLP
Giuliani, Mauro	The Last Rose of Summer, Op. 125 No. 1	Sei Arie Nazionale Irlandesi (Tony Wilkonson)	IMSLP
Legnani, Luigi	Caprice, Op. 20 No. 2	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Mertz, Johann Kaspar	Tarantelle (Bardenklänge, Op. 13)	Mertz: Guitar works, vol. 3	Chanterelle
Mozart	Larghetto and Allegro	The Classical Guitar Collection	FAB

Paganini, Nicolò	2nd mvt: Romance	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
	(Grand Sonata for Guitar and Violin)	•	
Schubert	Das Fischermädchen	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Sor, Fernando	Minuet Op. 11 No. 6		
	and Minuet Op. 11 No. 10	Sor: 20 Selected Minuets	OTT
Sor, Fernando	Fantasia	Fantasia Op. 4	OUP
Sor, Fernando	Marche funèbre	Fantaisie élégiaque Op. 59	RIAM
Tárrega, Francico	Marieta (Mazurka)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM

LIST C: TWENTIETH CENTURY AND CONTEMPORARY_

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COMPOSER	PIECE	PUBLICATION SUGGESTED 1	EDITION
Albeniz, Isaac	Asturias	www.classical-guitar-school.com	
Barrios, Agustín	La cathedral, 1st mvt: Preludio saudade	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Barrios, Agustín	Julia Florida (Barcarola)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Bogdanović, Dušan	Žalopojka (Lament)		
	and Jutarnje kolo (Morning Dance)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Brouwer, Leo	Danza Característica	Danza Características	OTT
Coldrick, Pat	Reverie	www.patcoldrick.com	PC
Domeniconi, Carlo	Schnee in Istanbul	Schnee in Istanbul	Margaux
Duarte, John W.	1st mvt: Prelude (English Suite Op. 31)	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Dyens. Roland	Tango en skaï	Tango en skaï	Lemoine
Flynn, Dave	Pasacaglia	www.daveflynn.com	MEL
Grundy, Alan	II Nostalgia and IV Reactions	The Millenium Mirror,	
		www.dublinschoolofguitar.com	Grundy
Hand, Frederic	Elegy for a King	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Lauro, Antonio	Vals venezolano No. 2	Quatro valses venezolanos	BVP
Mompou, Federico	Canción	Suite compostellana	SAL
Mompou, Federico	Cuna	Suite compostellana	SAL
Moreno Torroba,	Arada	Suite castellana	OTT
Federico			

Moreno Torroba, Federico	Sereneta burlesca	Sereneta burlesca	OTT
Myers, Stanley	Cavatina (arr. John Williams)	The Deer Hunter	ROB
O'Neill, Darragh	Shadow Box	www.darraghoneill.com	O'Neill
Ponce, Manuel	Prelude No. 1 and Prelude No. 17	Preludes	OTT
Pujol, Emilio	El abejorro	El abejorro	RIC
Rodrigo, Joaquín	Tiento Antiguo	Tiento Antiguo	B&H
Sardinha, Aníbal Augusto	Voltarei	Classical Guitar Series: Repertoire and Etudes 8	RCM
Turina, Joaquín	Soleares	Hommage à Tárrega	Schott
Villa-Lobos, Heitor	Prélude No. 5	Villa-Lobos: Collected Works for Solo Guitar	ESC

COMBINED AURAL AND THEORETICAL REQUIREMENTS (15 marks)

The combined aural/theoretical test comprises four sections in Grade VIII (aural/visual observation, memory, reading, and intervals and triads).

Aural/Visual Observation

• The candidate will be given a copy of a piece that will be played twice by the examiner. After the first playing state the tonic key, the relative of the tonic, and the subdominant and dominant keys. After the first or second hearing comment as requested on the structure of the piece and the similarities and differences between sections. After the second hearing, describe the cadences and modulations indicated by the examiner.

Memory

• Sing, hum, or whistle the melody from the lower line of a short two-part extract (range of up to an octave) in a major or minor key, which will be played three times. The pulse will be provided before the first playing, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

• Sing, hum, or whistle at sight a four-bar major or minor melody (range of up to an octave and an upbeat may be included) in either simple triple or quadruple time, or compound duple time. The starting pitch of the test will be altered to accommodate the candidate's range where requested. The tonic chord and starting note will be provided. Tonic sol-fa is equally accepted.

Intervals and Triads

- Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa both notes from a selection of major, minor, and perfect harmonic intervals (major second to perfect octave, minor third and minor sixth) played twice by the examiner, and identify the interval.
- Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa all three notes from selection of major and minor triads in root position, first and second inversions. State the tonality of the triad and its position.

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SIGHT READING (10 marks)

• Time Signatures: as for previous grades. Keys: any key appropriate to the Guitar. Note Values: as for previous grades. Dynamics: any common dynamic marks.

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SCALES AND ARPEGGIOS (15 marks)

All scales and arpeggios to be played from memory. Scales may be requested in reststroke or freestroke, Arpeggios are freestroke only

SCALES	KEY Major	FINGERING	OCTAVES
	G, Ab, A, Bb, B	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
	Harmonic and Melodic minor		
	G, Ab, A, Bb, B	i, m or m, i or i, a	3
CHROMATIC	G, Ab, A, Bb, B	i, m or m, i or i,	3
	Major		
IN THIRDS	G, F	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 2
IN SIXTHS	E, F	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 2
IN OCTAVES	G, E, F	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 2
	HARMONIC MINOR		
IN THIRDS	A	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 2
IN SIXTHS	A	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 2
IN OCTAVES	A	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 1
IN TENTHS	A	p+i, p+m, p+i, p+m e	etc. 1

SENIOR CERTIFICATE: CLASSICAL GUITAR

LIST A: RENISSANCE T	TO BAROQUE		
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Dowland, John	The Right Honourable, Robert,		
	Earl of Essex, His Galliard	Anthology of Selected Pieces trans Burley	Schott
Bach, J.S.	Gigue from Lute Suite no 1 BWV 996	Solo Lute Works ed Koonce	Kjos
Bach, J.S.	Allemande	Cello Suite no 1 BWV 1007	
Weiss, Sylvius Leopold	Tombeau	la Mort de Mr Comte de Logy	Schott
Weiss, Sylvius Leopold	Fantasie	Ibid	Schott
LIST B: CLASSICAL AN	ID ROMANTIC		
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Giuliani, Mauro	Sonata in C op 15: first movement,		
	Allegro Spiritoso	Ibid	UE
Barrios, Agustín	Danza Paraguaya ed Stover	Ibid	Mel Bay
Tarrega, Francisco	Estudio Sobre la Sonatina de Delfin Alard	Ibid	Ricordi
Tarrega, Francisco	Capricho Arabe	Ibid	UE
De Falla, Manuel	Danza del Corregidor from	Music for Guitar	Chester
LIST C: TWENTIETH C	CENTURY AND CONTEMPORARY		
COMPOSER	PIECE	SUGGESTED PUBLICATION	EDITION
Bustamente, Fernando	Misionera	The Very Best of Jorge Morel vol 1	Ashley Mark
Villa-Lobos, Heitor	Prelude no 2	Ibid	Eschig
Villa-Lobos, Heitor	Mazurka Choro from Suite Bresilienne	Ibid	Eschig
Brouwer, Leo	Elogio de la Danza	Ibid	Schott
Piazzolla, Astor	Verano Portena	Ibid	Chanterelle

SENIOR CERTIFICATE: CLASSICAL GUITAR

COMBINED AURAL AND THEORETICAL REQUIREMENTS (10 marks)

The combined aural/theoretical test comprises three sections in Senior Certificate (aural/visual observation, memory, and reading).

Aural/Visual Observation

• The candidate will be given a copy of a piece that will be played twice by the examiner. After the first or second playing, state the opening key and any subsequent modulations, or identify and describe the cadential areas. After the second playing, comment on the texture, or structure of the piece, or on the style and texture. The examiner will choose the questions.

Memory

• Sing, hum, or whistle the melody from the lower line of a short two-part extract (range of up to an octave) in a major or minor key, which will be played three times. The pulse will be either simple triple, quadruple, or compound duple time and will be provided before the first playing, as well as the tonic chord and starting note.

Reading

• Sing, hum, whistle, or sing in sol-fa at sight a four-bar major or minor melody (range of an octave) in either simple triple, quadruple, or compound duple time. The starting pitch will be altered to accommodate the candidate's range where requested and the tonic chord will be provided.

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SIGHT READING (10 marks)

• Time Signatures: as for previous grades. Keys: any key appropriate to the guitar. Note Value: as for previous grades. Dynamics: any common dynamic marks.