

# Music PLC

R

Cannot define or recognise aurally

A

Can define but cannot recognise aurally reliably. Cannot refer to in an essay.

G

Can define and recognise aurally confidently. Included in

## Area of Study A Western Classical Tradition 1750-1900

Topic	Content	Definition	RAG	Evidence (notes, essay, composition)
0. Conventions & evolution	Hammer Strokes	Call to attention' repeated tutti chords at the start of a symphony		
	Mannheim Crescendo	Gradual dynamic and textural crescendo for whole orchestra		
	Mannheim Roller	Tutti crescendo over a tonic pedal with rising melody		
	Mannheim Rocket	Tutti rising scale		
	Mannheim birds	Using woodwind or upper string in 'chirping'-like motifs		
	Adagio introduction	Established by Haydn at start of 1st movement		
	Sinfonia a 8	Orchestral configuration of strings, continuo, 2-part oboes, 2-part horns. Standard at Mannheim pre-1750		
	SCO	Standard Classical Orchestra. Increased configuration to include trumpets, timpani, flutes from 1750		
	Romantic orchestra	Additions of brass (3 trombones Beethoven 5, mvt 3, multiple horns Beethoven Eroica), extended range woodwind (Beethoven 5 piccolo & contra bassoon, Beethoven 6 double woodwind & 2 trombones) and greater resources in general (Beethoven 9 double horns, trombones, picc, CB, bass drum, cymbals, triangle, SATB soloists 7 choir!!)		
	Orchestral colour	Instruments used when orchestras had the forces/players- often connect with the wealth of the court to employ 'extra' instruments. Clarinets feature as n 'exciting' addition from 1770s (Mozart Paris symphony)		
	Classical Topics: Fanfare, singing style, military, Stile Antico, Pastoral, Dance forms	Stylised' music representing various musical forms. Fanfare- brass (Haydn 104 b1-16), Singing style- phrase that imitate the voice (Mozart Jupiter b3-4), Military- brass, timpani, dotted rhythms, flute/piccolo for military fife (Mozart Jupiter b1-2), Stile antico- use of long note values (minims+) like plain chant/cantus firmus (Mozart Jupiter mvt IV b373 CODA) or Haydn Lametatione), Pastoral- summoning images of nature (Haydn Sturm und Drang 101 The Clock, Beethoven 6), Dance forms- using the metre, rhythms & accents of established dances		
	Specific instrumental placement	Berlioz SF, off stage oboe/cor Anglais		
	Minor key pathotype	melodic sequence used in creating emotional minor melodies. See Symphony book p43		
	Galant Schemata	Formula underpinning harmony is Classical symphonies. See Symphony book p44		
	Patronage	Rich, powerful courts 'employing' musicians to compose & perform. Integral in 1750, gradual decline. See Symphony book Chapter 3		
	Rise of the middle classes & concert hall	Music driven by public demand and interest. Gradual increase over 18th & 19th century. See Symphony book Chapter 3		
	Symphonic Poem	Programmatic piece, usually in one movement (Liszt onwards)		
	Binary Form	2 sections A-B, Tonic-Dominant. Repeats		
	Ternary Form	3 sections A-B-A. Tonic-Dom-Tonic. Repeats		

1. Structure	Theme and Variations	A A1 A2 etc. Gradual changes per section.		
	Suite	Collection of pieces usually in the same key. Following a theme, usually dance forms. Typical of the baroque period.		
	Minuet and Trio	Stately French ternary dance in triple time. Typically found in THIRD movements in classical symphonies. Contrasted with a section where only 3 instruments play (Trio). Trio usually in related key.		
	Sonata Form	Structural form to expand and lengthen movements. Evolved in the early-mid classical period. S1 (tonic), transition, S2 (dominant), codetta, Development, Recapitulation staying in home key, Coda		
	Sonata-Rondo Form	Similar to Sonata form; a combination fo Sonata form and Rondo form (ABA = Exposition, C = Development, ABA = Recapitulation staying in home key. Usually used for FINAL movements.		
	Scherzo and Trio	Scherzo literally translates as 'joke' and represents the lighter, livelier feel to the THIRD movement. Employed by Beethoven as an alteration to the Minuet& Trio. Typically in 3/4 conducted in 1.		
	Periodic Phrasing	Classical phrase structure. Equally length phrases typically split into 2: antecedent (ending with I-V) and consequent (V-I). Often 2+2+4 and QAQE.		
	Irregular phrase lengths	Phrases of irregular lengths of bars, unequal or led by the melodic line. Evolved later into the Romantic period.		
	Relaxation of rules/conventions	From the Early Romantic period, structures and conventions were amended or adjusted to follow a programme or the desire of the composer.		
	Structure influenced by Programme	The shape of the music followed the narrative of a story and was free to represent the story.		
	Length	10mins (Stamitz) expanding to 25mins (Haydn), 70mins (Beethoven) to 90mins+ (Mahler)		
	Number of movements	Originally 3 (Style Galant/Classical), developed to 4 (Classical/Romantic), expanded to multiple (Romantic/Late Romantic).		
2. Harmony & Tonality	Functional	Diatonic chords, Primanry chord and Perfect/Imperfect cadences dominate. Some inversions, modulation to related key, sprinkling of chromatic chords.		
	Perfect cadence	V-I at the end of a phrase.		
	Imperfect cadence	I-V at the end of a phrase.		
	Cadential 6-4	Ic-V-I giving a 'double dominant' in the bass to reinforce the cadence.		
	Cadential deferral	Stretching a phrase to delay a cadence, thus dissolving periodic phrasing. Found in Mendelssohn 'Italian' mvt 1 b110-135		
	Unedning melody	Melodic phrases that do not cadence or close. Found in Wagner (tristan & Isolde) and Tchaikovsky ^ (Pathetique mvt 1 b153.160)		
	Diatonic	Using the notes of the key/scale (Opposite:		
	Modulation	Change of key		
	Modal	An alternative tonality following a different formula of tones and semitones to major/minor.		
	Tonicisation	A temporary modulation created by a V-I in a related key.		
	Circle of 5ths	A chord progression where each chord is a 4th/5th away		
	Pedal	A contiuous or repeated note/chord beneath a melody line(s). Often used to reinforce/prepare a tonic (particularly at the end of the Development seciton in Sontata Form).		
	Inverted pedal	As above but in a treble pitch or treble instrument.		
	Dominant 7th	A dominant chord with an added (flat) 7th. Prepares a tonic securely.		
	Dominant 9th	As above but with an added 9th. Haydn used this chord often in slower adagio moments.		

	Secondary Dominant	A chord which functions like a dominant chord but doesn't necessarily suggest a modulation. Eg. A7-Dm in C major: A7 is the secondary dominant moving to Dm (chord ii in C). Similar to tonicisation.		
	Diminished chord	A chord constructed of minor 3rds often with no tonal centre.		
	Diminished 7th chord	A chromatic chord built of 4 notes all a minor 3rd apart. Only diatonic when chord VII7 in a minor key (eg. B natural, D, F, Ab in C minor). Seeks resolution due to its tritones.		
	Neopolitan Chord	A MAJOR chord built on the flattened supertonic in a minor key. Usually in 1st inversion.		
	Augmented 6th chord (It. Fr. Ger.)			
	Relative minor	The key that shares a key signature with a major key. Eg. Am to C major.		
	Related key	Keys that are close in terms of key signature.		
	Inverted chord	Chords that do not have the Tonic in the bass.		
	Open chord	A chord with no 3rd.		
	Voice leading	The HORIZONTAL movement of musical lines.		
	Transpose	Writing something in a different key.		
	iib or not iib cadence	An extended perfect cadence to include chord ii.		
	Suspension	A note from a chord that is held over into the next chord creating a clash which is resolved by a step.		
3. Melody	Diatonic	Using notes from the scale/key.		
	Scalic	Moving in steps.		
	Triadic	Moving in jumps from the arpeggio.		
	Monothematicism	When S1 and S2 are the same.		
	Subject	The main melodic material of a piece.		
	Motif	A fragment of a subject/theme/melody. Usually called motif x, y, z. Can be referred to as 'figure'. Make sure you know the main motifs from Haydn 104 all movements.		
	Theme	The main melodic material of a piece.		
	Sequence	A pattern repeated up/down a step. Usually melodic but can be harmonic.		
	Imitation	An idea being repeated in another voice or part of a phrase.		
	Inversion	A motif being played in the opposite direction eg. rising by step then falling by step.		
	Anacrusis	When the melody starts on a beat of the bar that isn't the first beat. Often called the 'upbeat'.		
	Appoggiatura	An unprepared dissonance that resolves by step.		
	Passing note	Scalic movement in a melody line that connects 2 notes from the same chord. Usually applied between beats.		
4. Rhythm and Metre	Auxiliary note (upper/lower)	Movement by step either up or down before returning to the original pitch.		
	Echappée	Melodic movement from A-B via C. Literally an 'escaped' note.		
	Implied harmony	When 2 pitches suggest a specific chord but the lack of a 3rd pitch makes it ambiguous.		
	Simple	Metres that divide the beat into 2 equal parts (eg. count '1 +').		
	Compound	Metres that divide the beat into 3 equal parts (eg. count '1 + a').		
	Dotted	Uneven rhythms (2/3 to 1/3 or 3/4 to 1/4)		
	Double Dotted	Crisply uneven rather like 7/8 to 1/8		
	Lombardic	A dotted rhythm 1/4 to 3/4 otherwise known as a 'Scotch snap' due to its association with Scottish folk rhythms.		
	Syncopated	Off the beat		
	Walking bass (crotchets/quavers)	Regular movement in crotchets or quavers usually rising or falling		
	Hemiola	A rhythmic feel at a cadence where a triple metre temporarily alters to duple eg. 2 bars of 3 becomes 2 bars of 2 but no change in written on the music, only heard. Usually found in baroque music.		
	unison	Everyone playing the same rhythm at once		

5. Texture	unison	Everyone playing the same thing at once		
	Tutti	Everyone playing		
	Monophonic	1 line of sound		
	Homophonic	Chordal texture, usually rhythmically similar		
	Polyphonic	Multiple lines of music playing simultaneously, usually with melodic and rhythmic independence.		
	Antiphonic	Similar effect to call and response.		
	Imitation	The repetition of sounds/motifs often in a canon-like way across parts.		
	Alberti bass	Broken chord-like texture used often in the classical period.		
	Parallel	Parts moving in the same direction.		
	Contrary motion	Parts moving in the opposite direction.		
	Heterophonic	Parts that are similar but are subdivided eg. 1 line plays a motif in crotchets and another has 2 quavers but they change pitch together.		
	Fugue	A polyphonic texture and style of contrapuntal writing popular in the baroque period, most notably with J.S. Bach. Mathematically complex. Opens with a monophonic subject in the tonic followed by an answer in the 2nd part (dominant), subject in 3rd voice (tonic) and answer (4th, dom) whilst other voices develop with counter subjects and free counterpoint. Usually conclude with stretto and closing material is based on initial subject.		
	Fugal	The ideas of a fugue are presented but loosely without the strict patterns.		
6. Articulation and dynamics	Accent	To apply pressure to a note		
	Staccato	To play a note detached		
	Pizzicato	To pluck a stringed instrument		
	Arco	To bow a stringed instrument		
	Tenuto	To play a note for its full value (length)		
	Italian terms & symbols	Tempo, dynamic and articulation words		
	Pause	To lengthen a note/chord at a cadence or end of section.		
7. Symphonists & case study symphonies	Stamitz	Symphony in D, No.2 1750-54		
	Haydn	Symphony No.26 'Lamentatione' 1768		
		No.49 'La Passione' 1768		
		No.44 'Trauer-Symphonie' 1772		
		Paris' (group of 6) 1785-1786		
		London' (group of 12) 1791-1795		
	Mozart	Symphony in D 'Paris' 1778		
		Symphony in Bb 1779		
		Symphony in C 1780		
		Symphony in D 'Haffner' 1782		
		Symphony in C 'Linz' 1783		
		Symphony No.38 in D 'Prague' 1786		
		No. 41 'Jupiter' 1788		
	Beethoven	Symphony No.1 in C 1795		
		No.3 in Eb 'Eroica' 1803-4		
		Symphony No. 5 1804-8		
		Symphony No.6 'Pastorale' 1808		
		Symphony No.7		
		Symphony No.9 'Chorale' 1823-4		
	Schubert	Symphony No. 8 in Bb 'Unfinished' 1822		
		Symphony No. 9 'The Great' 1828		
	Berlioz	Symphonie Fantastique 1829		
		Harold in Italy 1829		
	Mendelssohn	Symphony No.3 in Am 'Scotch' 1830		
		Symphony No.4 in A 'Italian' 1831-2		
		Symphony No. 5 in Dm 'Reformation' 1833		
	Schumann	Symphony No.1 in Bb 1841		
	Liszt	12 Symphonic poems 1848-1858		
		Faust 1857		
	Bruckner	Symphony No.4 in Eb 'Romantische' 1874 (revised 1888)		
	Brahms	Symphony No.1 in Cm (Beethoven 10) 1876		
		Symphony No. 4 in Em		
	Tchaikovsky	Symphony No. 4 in Fm 1877		

	Dvorak	Symphony No.9 'New World' 1893		
	Mahler	Symphony No.2 in Cm/Eb 'Resurrection' 1897		
		Symphony No. 3 in Dm/F 1893-6		
	R. Strauss	Til Eulenspiegel' 1896		
		Also sprach Zarathustra' 1897		
		Ein Heldenleben' 1898		