

**THE NATIONAL COLLEGE OF MUSIC, LONDON**

**GRADE EXAMINATIONS IN BARITONE  
AND EUPHONIUM PLAYING**

**Guidelines**

For Euphonium, the majority of solos listed in this syllabus are published in both treble and bass clefs. Where this is not the case the candidate may use a manuscript transposition of the solo but the original published solo must be brought to the Examination Room.

Candidates playing in the bass clef should use the relevant Scales, Arpeggios and Studies which are shown separately.

From Grade 5, candidates should be conversant with the tenor (C) clef which may be used in Sight Reading tests.

**Grade 1 – Primary**

**Scales and Arpeggios**

10 marks

**Treble Clef**

C major; one octave.

A minor – harmonic or melodic form; one octave.

Arpeggios in the above keys; one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

**Bass Clef**

B flat major; one octave.

G minor – harmonic or melodic form; one octave.

Arpeggios in the above keys; one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

**Study**

20 marks

One from the following:

**Treble Clef**

Gregson

No 1 or No 3 – 20 Supplementary Tunes for Beginner Brass (Brass/Wind)

Miller

No 4 or No 11 – Simple Studies for Beginner Brass (Faber)

Sparke

No 3 or No 5 – Skilful Studies (Anglo Music)

**Bass Clef**

Edney

No 1 – Up Front Melodic Studies for Trombone, Book 1 (Brass/Wind)

Endresen

No 1 – Supplementary Studies for Trombone (Rubank)

Gregson  
No 1 –  
20 Supplementary Tunes for Beginner Brass (Trombone Ed) (Brass/Wind)

Solos 40 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

**Solo List**

Anon  
The Barley Break – Magic Trombone (Boosey & Hawkes)

Bernstein  
One Hand, One Heart – Easy Winners for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Clarke  
Trumpet Minuet – Trumpet All Sorts (Faber)

Daly  
Postman Pat – Winners Galore for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Geldard  
Square Dance – Beginners Please (Trombone) (Winwood)

Gregson  
Prelude or Ostinato – Ten Miniatures for Trumpet (Belwin Mills)

Haydn  
Minuet – Bravo Trumpet (Boosey)

Jennings  
Titanic Theme – Easy Winners for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Nash  
Pride or Contentment – Four Easy Pieces for Trombone (Peters)

Rae  
Rumba – Play it Cool for Trumpet (Universal)

Ridgeon  
Lament or The Young Warrior –  
New Horizons for the Brass Player (Belwin Mills)

Schubert  
German Dance - Bravo Trumpet (Boosey)

Spiritual  
All Night, All Day – Easy Winners for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Traditional  
Song of the Volga Boatman – Magic Trombone (Boosey)

Traditional  
Spanish Air - Bravo Trombone (Boosey)

Sight Reading 10 marks  
Music of very easy difficulty

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks  
Simple questions relating to the staff; treble and bass clefs; names and values of notes; rests; simple time; and words and signs on the music performed.

Ear Tests 10 marks

1. To clap or tap the notes values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 2/4 or 3/4 time consisting of minims, dotted minims, crotchets and quavers only, after it has been played twice on the piano by the Examiner.

2. To name any of the first five degrees of the major scales of C when played on the piano after the key note has been sounded.
3. To say whether a simple harmonic phrase is in a major or minor key after it has been played twice.

## **Grade 2 – Elementary**

### Scales and Arpeggios

10 marks

#### Treble Clef

D and B flat major, one octave.

A harmonic minor, one octave.

Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

#### Bass Clef

C and A flat major, one octave.

G harmonic minor, one octave.

Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

### Study

20 marks

One from the following:

#### Treble Clef

Gregson

No 10 or No 12 –

20 Supplementary Tunes for Beginner Brass

(Brass/Wind)

Miller

No 21 – Simple Studies for Beginner Brass

(Faber)

Sparke

No 12 or No 14 – Skilful Studies

(Anglo Music)

#### Bass Clef

Edney

No 8 – Up Front Melodic Studies for Trombone, Book 1

(Brass/Wind)

Endresen

No 3 – Supplementary Studies for Trombone

(Rubank)

Gregson

No 5 -20 Supplementary Tunes for Beginner Brass (Trom Ed)

(Brass/Wind)

### Solos

40 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

#### **Solo List**

Anon

Dutch Dance – Little Pieces by Old Masters

(Schott)

Bart

Where is Love? – Easy Winners for Treble Brass

(Brass/Wind)

Beethoven

Scherzo and Trio – Classical Album for Trumpet

(Boosey & Hawkes)

Brahms

Theme from Symphony No 1 – Easy Winners for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Cruger	Nun Danket – The Young Trumpet Player, Book 1	(OUP)
Diabelli	The Joker – Magic Trombone	(Boosey)
Grieg	Morning – Winners Galore for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)
Grieg	Folk Melody – Classical and Romantic Album	(OUP)
Handel	March – Trumpet All Sorts, Grades 1-3	(Faber)
Hook	Minuetto – Learn as You Play, Concerto Pieces	(Boosey)
Nightingale	Witches’ Cauldron – Lucky Dip	(Warwick)
Purcell	Fairest Isle – Time Pieces for Trombone, Vol 1	(Associated Board)
Traditional	The Ash Grove – The Young Trumpet Player, Book 1	(OUP)
Wedgewood	Wrap It Up – Really Easy Jazzin’ About for Trombone	(Faber)
Williams	Fire Dance – Trumpet Excursions	(Chappell)

Sight Reading 10 marks  
 Music of very easy difficulty

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks  
 Questions as for Grade 1 with the addition of major key signatures

Ear Tests 10 marks

1. To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 2/4 or 3/4 time consisting of minims, dotted minims, crotchets, dotted crotchets and quavers only, after it has been played twice on the piano by the Examiner.
2. To identify any note of the major scale of C after the key note has been sounded.
3. To say whether a simple harmonic phrase is in a major or minor key after
4. it has been played twice on the piano.

**Grade 3 - Junior**

Scales and Arpeggios 10 marks

Treble Clef

E and E flat major, one octave.  
 C and E minor, harmonic or melodic form, one octave.  
 Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.  
 All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Bass Clef

D and D flat major, one octave.

B flat and D minor, harmonic or melodic form, one octave.  
Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.  
All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Study 20 marks

One from the following:

Treble Clef

Gregson

No 17 or No 19 – 20 Supplementary Tunes for Beginner Brass (Brass/Wind)

Hering

No 12 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trumpet (Fischer)

Miller

No 27 or No 29 – Simple Studies for Beginner Brass (Brass/Wind)

Bass Clef

Edney

No 18 – Up Front Melodic Studies for Trombone, Bk 1 (Brass/Wind)

Endresen

No 8 – Supplementary Studies for Trombone (Rubank)

Gregson

No 16 –  
20 Supplementary Studies for Beginner Brass (Trombone Ed) (Brass/Wind)

Solos 40 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

**Solo List**

Barratt

Hampton Swing – Bravo Trombone (Boosey & Hawkes)

Beethoven

Romance – Trumpet Fancies (Chappell)

Bernstein

I Feel Pretty – Easy Winners for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Brahms

Cradle Song – 29 Cornet Solos (Schirmer)

Farnaby

Fayne Would I Wed – 8 Easy Pieces by Classical Composers (Chester)

Goodall

Blackadder Theme – Winners Galore (Brass/Wind)

Handel

Hallelujah Chorus – Winners Galore (Brass/Wind)

Haydn

Minuet – 8 Easy Pieces by Classical Composers (Chester)

Mozart

Aria – Winners Galore (Brass/Wind)

Nash

March – 4 Solo Pieces (Paterson)

Osborne

Eastenders – Easy Winners for Treble Brass (Brass/Wind)

Ridgeon

Introduction and Dance –  
New Horizons for the Young Brass Player (Belwin Mills)

Sibelius	
Finlandia – Slide Show for Trombone	(Brass/Wind)
Traditional	
Drink to Me Only – 29 Cornet Solos	(Schirmer)
Traditional	
Shaker Melody –	
New Horizons for the Young Brass Player	(Belwin Mills)

Sight Reading 10 marks  
 Music of Grade 1 difficulty

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks  
 As for earlier Grades; with the addition of compound time, minor key signatures, and the formation of both forms of the minor scale

Ear Tests 10 marks

1. To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 2/4 or 3/4 time played twice on the piano by the Examiner, and to say whether it is in duple or triple time.
2. To name three diatonic notes played as a melody and chosen from the major scale of C, F or G. The key note will be stated and played.
3. To say whether a harmonic phrase is in a major or minor key, and discuss the closing cadence.

### **Grade 4 – Pre-Intermediate**

Scales and Arpeggios 10 marks

Treble Clef

B flat major, to the 12th.

F major, one octave.

D and F minor, either harmonic or melodic, one octave.

Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Bass Clef

A flat major, to the 12<sup>th</sup>.

E flat major, one octave.

C and E flat minor, harmonic or melodic form, one octave.

Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Study 20 marks

One from the following:

Treble Clef

Gregson

    No 20 – 20 Supplementary Tunes for Beginner Brass (Brass/Wind)

Hering

    No 10 or No 11 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trumpet or Cornet (Fischer)

Miller	No 1 or No 4 – 68 Graded Studies for Brass, Book 1	(Faber)
<u>Bass Clef</u>		
Edney	No 21 – Up Front Melodic Studies for Trombone, Bk 2	(Brass/Wind)
Endresen	No 11 –Supplementary Studies for Trombone	(Rubank)
Hering	No 12 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trombone	(Fischer)
<u>Solos</u>		40 marks
Two contrasting solos from the following list:		
<b>Solo List</b>		
Bennett	Murder on the Orient Express – Undercover Hits for Trombone	(Brass/Wind)
Byrd	The Earl of Salisbury’s Pavanne – Trombone Solos	(Chester)
Dvorak	Songs My Mother Taught Me – 29 Cornet Solos	(Schirmer)
Faure	Pavanne – Easy Winners for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)
Franck	Panis Angelicus – Solos for the Trombone	(Schirmer)
Godard	Berceuse de Jocelyn – 29 Cornet Solos	(Schirmer)
Handel	Air – The Young Trombonist, Vol 2	(OUP)
Jacob	No 1 or No 3 – Four Little Pieces	(Emerson)
Joplin	Easy Winners – Easy Winners for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)
McDowell	To a Wild Rose – Easy Trumpet Solos	(Boosey & Hawkes)
Nash	Burlesque – 4 Solo Pieces for Trombone	(Patersons)
Norman	James Bond Theme – Easy Winners for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)
Smith	Sentinel	(Belwin Mills)
Traditional	Danny Boy – Winners Galore	(Brass/Wind)
Wiggins	Just a Menuet – Embryo Brass	(De Haske)
<u>Sight Reading</u>		10 marks
Music of Grade 2 difficulty		
<u>Viva Voce Theory</u>		10 marks
Questions as for earlier Grades, with the addition of general vocabulary of musical terms.		

Ear Tests

10 marks

1. To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 2/4 or 3/4 time after it has been played twice on the piano by the Examiner. To beat time (conduct) while the same melody is played again, and to say whether it is duple time or triple time.
2. To hum or sing a simple four-bar melody in a major key after it has been played twice on the piano by the Examiner. The melody will be in 2/4 or 6/8 time.
3. To say whether a triad played by the Examiner is major or minor.

**Grade 5 – Intermediate**

Scales and Arpeggios

10 marks

Treble Clef

G major, two octaves.

B major, to the 12<sup>th</sup>.

G minor, harmonic or melodic form, two octaves.

B minor, harmonic or melodic form, to the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Chromatic scale starting on G, two octaves.

Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Bass Clef

F major, two octaves.

A major, to the 12<sup>th</sup>.

F minor, harmonic or melodic form, two octaves.

A minor, harmonic or melodic form, to the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Chromatic scale starting on F, two octaves.

Arpeggios in the above keys, one octave.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Study

20 marks

One from the following:

Treble Clef

Arban

No 3 or No 4 – 14 Studies for Cornet

(Boosey & Hawkes)

Hering

No 29 or No 30 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trumpet or Cornet

(Fischer)

Miller

No 43 or No 44 – 68 Graded Studies for Brass, Book 2

(Faber)

Bass Clef

Edney

No 22 – Up Front Melodic Studies for Trombone, Bk 2

(Brass/Wind)

Endresen

No 34 – Supplementary Studies for Trombone

(Rubank)



Hering  
Nos 26 and 29 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trombone (Fischer)

Solos 40 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

**Solo List**

Bernstein

Great Escape - Great Winners for Trombone (Brass/Wind)

Cornelius

The Kings – The Young Trombonist, Vol 2 (OUP)

Elgar

Theme from Pomp & Circumstance March No 4 –  
The Magic Trombone (Boosey & Hawkes)

Faure

By the Waterside (Winwood)

Goodwin

633 Squadron - Great Winners for Trombone (Brass/Wind)

Gounod

Die Possente – 29 Cornet Solos (Schirmer)

Jacob

No 1 – 4 Little Pieces (Emerson)

Lawrance

Danse from Badinago (Brass/Wind)

Puccini

Nessun Dorma – Second Book of Trombone Solos (Faber)

Ridgeon

Conversation Piece (Belwin Mills)

Stone

Variations (Boosey & Hawkes)

Street

Rondino (Boosey & Hawkes)

Tchaikovsky

None but the Lonely Heart – 29 Cornet Solos (Schirmer)

Weill

Mack the Knife - Big Chillers for Trumpet and Piano (Brass/Wind)

Wood

Lullaby (Smith)

Sight Reading 10 marks

Music of Grade 3 difficulty

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks

Questions as for earlier Grades, with the addition of diatonic intervals within the octave

Ear Tests 10 marks

1. To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 2/4 or 3/4 time after it has been played twice on the piano by the Examiner.

- To beat time (conduct) while the same melody is played again and to say whether it is in duple or triple time.
2. To hum or sing a simple four-bar melody in a major key after it has been played twice on the piano. The melody will be in 2/4, 3/4 or 6/8 time.
  3. To say whether a triad played on the piano is major, minor or augmented.
  4. To sing the top, middle or lowest note of a major or minor triad after it has been played twice on the piano, and to sing up all three notes after the chord has been played again.

## **Grade 6 – Senior**

### Scales and Arpeggios

10 marks

#### Treble Clef

A and F sharp major, two octaves.

A and F sharp harmonic and melodic minor, two octaves.

Chromatic scale starting on A, two octaves.

Arpeggios of A and F sharp major, two octaves.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the key of A, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on A, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

#### Bass Clef

G and E major, two octaves.

G and E minor, harmonic or melodic form, two octaves.

Chromatic scale starting on G, two octaves.

Arpeggios of G and E major, two octaves.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of G, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on G, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

### Study

20 marks

One from the following:

#### Treble Clef

Arban

No 5 – 14 Studies for Cornet

(Boosey & Hawkes)

Hering

No 34 or No 35 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trumpet or Cornet

(Fischer)

Miller

No 50 or No 51 – 68 Graded Studies for Brass, Book 2

(Faber)

#### Bass Clef

Edney

No 26 – Up Front Melodic Studies for Trombone, Book 2

(Brass/Wind)

Hering

No 34 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trombone

(Fischer)

Kopprasch

No 11 – 60 Selected Studies for Trombone, Book 1

(Fischer)

### Solos

40 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

## **Solo List**

Amos	Short Snorter – Big Train Mulligan for Euphonium	(CMA)
Anderson	A Trumpet Lullaby	(Belwin Mills)
Bizet	Chanson Boheme – Great Winners for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)
Cole	Hammersmith Galop	(Schott)
Emerson	1 <sup>st</sup> Movement from Summer Suite	(Emerson)
Gershwin	I Got Rhythm – A Little Light Music for Trombone	(Brass/Wind)
Grieg	Solveig’s Song – Great Winners for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)
Hoddinott	Promenade – Top Line Album for Trombone	(Brass/Wind)
Mendelssohn	Notturmo – A Classic Album for Trombone	(Boosey)
Nightingale	Bruiser Joe – Lucky Dip	(Warwick)
Parfrey	Marching Tune – 3 Euphonium Tunes	(Emerson)
Ridgeon	American March – Scene 2 for the Brass Player	(Belwin Mills)
Rimsky-Korsakov	Andante Cantabile – Solos for the Trombone Player	(Schirmer)
Wagner	O Star of Eve – 3 Operatic Arias	(Smith)
Williams	Raiders March – Great Winners for Treble Brass	(Brass/Wind)

Sight Reading 10 marks  
Music of Grade 4 difficulty.

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks  
Questions as for earlier Grades; including chromatic intervals and inversions.

Ear Tests 10 marks

- 1 To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 2/4, 3/4 or 6/8 time after it has been played twice by the Examiner on the piano. To beat time (conduct) while the same melody is played again and to say whether it is duple or triple time.
- 2 To hum or sing a four-bar melody in a minor key after it has been played twice by the Examiner on the piano; the melody will be in 2/4, 3/4 or 6/8 time.
- 3 To say whether a triad played by the Examiner is major, minor, augmented or diminished.
- 4 To sing the three notes of a major or minor chord as directed after the lowest note only has been played by the Examiner; and, when told the letter-name of the lowest note, to give the letter-names of the other two.

## Grade 7 – Advanced Senior

### Scales and Arpeggios

10 marks

#### Treble Clef

B and B flat major, two octaves.

B and B flat harmonic and melodic minor, two octaves.

Chromatic scale starting on B and B flat, two octaves.

Arpeggios of B and B flat, two octaves.

Arpeggios of B and B flat minor, two octaves.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of B and B flat, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on B and B flat, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

#### Bass Clef

A and A flat major, two octaves.

A and A flat minor, harmonic or melodic form, two octaves.

Chromatic scale starting on A and A flat, two octaves.

Arpeggios of A and A flat major, two octaves.

Arpeggios of A and A flat minor, two octaves.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of A and A flat, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on A and A flat, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

### Study

20 marks

One from the following:

#### Treble Clef

Arban

No 6 – 14 Studies for Cornet

(Boosey & Hawkes)

Miller

No 59 or 62 - 68 Graded Studies for Brass, Book 2

(Faber)

Vizzutti

No 2 – Advanced Etudes

(Alfred)

#### Bass Clef

Aplvor

No 1 – 24 Exercises

(Warwick)

Hering

No 37 – 40 Progressive Etudes for Trombone

(Fischer)

Kopprasch

No 14 – 60 Selected Studies for Trombone, Book 1

(Fischer)

### Solos

40 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

#### **Solo List**

Amos

Dragon Dance for Euphonium

(CMA)

Balay

Andante and Allegretto

(UMP)

Elgar	Serenade	(Winwood Music)
Golland	Peace	(Hallamshire Music)
Heath	Andante and Scherzo	(Brand)
Marcello	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Movements from Sonata in F	(Reift)
Moszkowski	Danza Animado – Fiesta Espande for Trumpet	(Brass/Wind)
Mozart	Ave Verum Corpus – A Classical Album for Trombone	(Boosey)
Porter	Begin the Beguine – Let’s Face the Music for Trombone	(Brass/Wind)
Saint-Saens	The Swan	(Studio)
Sanders	Square Dance	(Stainer)
Sherwin	A Nightingale Sang in Berkeley Square – The Sunny Side of the Street	(Brass/Wind)
Sparke	Soliloquy for Cornet and Piano	(Studio)
Verdi	Celeste Aida – The Young Trombonist, Vol 3	(OUP)
Wagner	Walther’s Prize Song – 3 Operatic Arias	(Smith)
Waller	Ain’t Misbehavin’ – Big Chillers for Trumpet and Piano	(Brass/Wind)

Sight Reading 10 marks  
Music of Grade 5 difficulty.

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks  
Questions as for earlier Grades; triads; cadences; general graces and embellishments.

Ear Tests 10 marks

- 1 To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 6/8 or 9/8 time after it has been played twice by the Examiner on the piano. To beat time (conduct) while the same melody is played again and to say whether it is in duple or triple time.
- 2 To sing or play from memory the upper part of a simple two-part phrase in a major key after it has been played twice by the Examiner on the piano; the key will be stated.
- 3 To say whether a triad played by the Examiner is major or minor and whether in root position, first inversion or second inversion.
- 4 To say whether a harmonised phrase in a major or minor key played twice by the Examiner modulates at the end or remains in the tonic key.

## Grade 8 – Students’ Graduate

**There is a written theory requirement as part of this Grade**

100 marks

### Scales and Arpeggios

20 marks

Any one group two octaves or to the 12<sup>th</sup> where appropriate:

#### Treble Clef

Group 1:

Majors of C, D, E flat, D flat.

Harmonic and melodic minors of D, C, Bflat, B

Chromatic scale from any note.

Arpeggios in the keys of the major and minor scales selected.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of A flat and F sharp, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on C, A flat and F sharp, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Group 2:

Majors G, B flat, A, B.

Harmonic and melodic minors of E, F sharp, F, E flat.

Chromatic scale from any note.

Arpeggios in the keys of the major and minor scales selected.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of A flat and F sharp, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on C, A flat and F sharp, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Group 3:

Majors of F, E flat, F sharp, E.

Harmonic and melodic minors of C, C sharp, G, B flat.

Chromatic scale from any note.

Arpeggios in the keys of the major and minor scales selected.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of A flat and F sharp, one octave.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on C, A flat and F sharp, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

#### Bass Clef

Group 1:

Majors of B flat, C, B flat, B.

Harmonic and melodic minors of C, B flat, A flat, A.

Chromatic scale from any note.

Arpeggios in the keys of the major and minor scales selected.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of G flat and E, two octaves.

Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on B flat, G flat and E, two octaves.

All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Group 2:

Majors G, A flat, G, A.

Harmonic and melodic minors of D, E, E flat, D flat.

Chromatic scale from any note.

Arpeggios in the keys of the major and minor scales selected.

Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of G flat and E, one octave.  
 Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on B, G flat and E, two octaves.  
 All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Group 3:

Majors of E flat, D flat, E and D.  
 Harmonic and melodic minors of B flat, B, F, A flat.  
 Chromatic scale from any note.  
 Arpeggios in the keys of the major and minor scales selected.  
 Dominant 7<sup>th</sup> in the keys of G flat and E, one octave.  
 Diminished 7<sup>th</sup> starting on B, G flat and E, two octaves.  
 All scales and arpeggios to be slurred and tongued.

Study 20 marks

One from the following:

Treble Clef

Arban

No 8 or 9 – 14 Studies for Cornet (Boosey & Hawkes)

Miller

No 67 – 68 Graded Studies for Brass, Book 2 (Faber)

Vizzutti

No 5 – Advanced Etudes (Alfred)

Bass Clef

Aplvor

No 22 – 24 Exercises (Warwick)

Hering

No 2 or No 8 – 24 Advanced Studies (Fischer)

Kopprasch

No 46 – 60 Selected Studies for Trombone, Book 2 (Fischer)

Solos 70 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list:

**Solo List**

Bach

No 5 – The Well-Tempered Player (Rosehill)

Curnow

Rhapsody for Euphonium (Winwood Music)

Elgar

Idylle, Op 4 (Winwood Music)

Faure

Vocalise (Warwick)

Gregson

Divertimento for Trombone (Winwood Music)

Handel

Prelude and Fugue for Euphonium (Reift)

Harbach

Smote Gets in Your Eyes –  
 Let's Face the Music for Trombone (Brass/Wind)

Hopkinson	1 <sup>st</sup> Movement from Concerto for Tuba	(Kirklees)
Mozart	Concerto in 2 Movements for Euphonium or Baritone	(Smith)
Parker	Dances with Bears – Jazzed Up Too For Trombone	(Brass/Wind)
Proctor	Azure – On Your Metal	(Brass/Wind)
Rimsky-Korsakov	1 <sup>st</sup> Movement from Trombone Concerto	(Brass/Wind)
Sparke	Aubade for Euphonium and Piano	(Studio)
Uber	Danza Espagnola	(Virgo)
Vaughan Williams	2 <sup>nd</sup> Movement from Tuba Concerto	(OUP)
Young	No 2 or No 3 from Euphonium Suite	(Smith)

Sight Reading 15 marks  
Music of Grade 6 difficulty.

Viva Voce Theory 10 marks  
All rudiments of music; simple chord progression; general discussion with Examiner.

Ear Tests 15 marks  
1 To clap or tap the note values of a melody not exceeding four bars in 6/8 or 9/8 time after it has been played twice by the Examiner on the piano. To beat time (conduct) while the same melody is played again and to say whether it is in duple or triple time.  
2 To sing or play from memory the lower part of a simple two-part phrase in a major or minor key after it has been played twice by the Examiner on the piano and, when told the letter name of the lowest note of a four-note chord, to give the letter-names of the remaining three.  
3 To recognise a modulation at the end of a harmonised phrase in a major key played by the Examiner on the piano as going to the dominant, the relative minor or supertonic minor.

## **DIPLOMA EXAMINATIONS**

### **DipNCM**

This diploma is available in all practical subjects. Candidates in musical subjects must have passed Grade 8 or Senior Bronze Medal examination and also Grade 5 or above in Theory of Music – or examinations of equivalent standard.

Copies of all relevant documentation, together with programme notes on the items to be performed should be forwarded to the College for approval at least one month before formal entry.



The examination consists of a Recital of 10 minutes in length minimum, Sight Reading, and a Viva Voce/Discussion with the Examiner.

Recital 100 marks  
Candidates are required to perform a programme of five items, showing contrast of style and period. A high standard of performance is required.

At least two of the items should be selected from the official lists for Associate. The remaining three 'own choice' items may include:

- An original composition by the candidate;
- An item performed from the jazz, blues or 'popular' repertoire;
- An item performed in ensemble; eg. string quartet, piano trio, vocal quartet, wind ensemble – the total number of performers not exceeding four.

Performers, other than the candidate, will be allowed in the Examination Room only during the performance of the piece in which they are taking part.

Credit will be given for the quality of choice of each item and the compilation and presentation of the programme as a whole.

Sight Reading 20 marks  
Music of Grade 6/7 standard.

Viva Voce 20 marks  
Questions on the rudiments of music; harmony and chord progression; nature, characteristic features and repertoire of the candidate's instrument.

Discussion with the Examiner 10 marks  
Discussion on the candidate's music-making activities, compositions and presentation skills, etc.

Marks  
Maximum marks are 150; the pass mark is 100.

### **Associate Diploma (ANCM)**

This diploma is available as Teacher or Performer. The Teacher Diploma includes a written theory paper equal in difficulty to Grade 6 (Theory of Music) and a dissertation of about 10,000 words on a subject proposed by the candidate but related to teaching (the subject to be first approved by the College). It has a pass mark, in the practical examination, of 100 out of a possible 150. The Theory/Dissertation pass mark is 75 out of 100. The pass mark for Performer, using the same solo list, is 115 out of a possible 150 marks.

Scales and Arpeggios 20 marks  
All major and minor keys. Minor scales to be prepared in harmonic and melodic forms.  
Chromatic scale from any note.

Arpeggios to include dominant and diminished 7ths in the above keys.  
Three octaves where feasible, slurred and tongued.

Solos 90 marks

Two contrasting solos from the following list and one own choice solo in any style:

**Solo List**

Arbreu		
	Tici Tico	(Brass/Wind)
Arban		
	No 1 or No 6 – 14 Grand Studies	(Boosey & Hawkes)
Bernstein		
	Elegy for Mippy II – Solos for the Trombone Player	(Schirmer)
Capuzzi		
	Andante from Andante and Rondo	(Peters)
Defaye		
	Danse Profane – Deux Danses	(Leduc)
Graham		
	Whirlwind – Gramercy Solo Album	(Gramercy)
Gregson		
	Prelude and Capriccio	(Smith)
Haydn		
	Adagio – Solos for the Trombone Player	(Schirmer)
Marshall		
	Ransomed – No 21 from Salvation Army Instrumental Album	(SP&S)
Mozart		
	Tuba Mirum – 6 Classical Solos	(Boosey)
Sparke		
	Rhapsody for B flat Baritone	(Studio)
Steadman-Allen		
	Lyric Suite	(Wright & Round)
Wagner		
	Siegmond's Love Song – 3 Operatic Arias	(Smith)
Weber		
	Rondo Giocoso from Bassoon Concerto in F (Treble Clef ed)	(Studio)
Wilby		
	Concert Galop	(Winwood)

Sight Reading 15 marks

Music of Grade 5/6 difficulty

Viva Voce Theory and Aural Tests 25 marks

All rudiments; intervals and inversions; attendant keys; cadences; general embellishments; sonata form; identification of triads; chord progression; etc.

**Licentiate Diploma (LNCM)**

This diploma is available as Teacher or Performer. The Teacher Diploma includes a written theory paper equal in difficulty to Grade 7 (Theory of Music) and a dissertation of about 15,000 words on a subject proposed by the candidate but related

to teaching (the subject to be first approved by the College). It has a pass mark, in the practical examination, of 100 out of a possible 150. The Theory/Dissertation pass mark is 75 out of 100. The pass mark for Performer, using the same solo list, is 115 out of a possible 150 marks.

Solos 120 marks

Three contrasting solos from the following list and one own choice solo in any style:

**Solo List**

Alexander	Requiem and Coda	(Bourne)
Ball	Legend	(Fortune)
Bowen	Euphonium Music	(Rosehill)
Ellerby	Euphonium Concerto	(Studio)
Golland	Child's Play	(Hallamshire)
Guilmant	Morceau Symphonique	(Reift)
Horowitz	Euphonium Concerto	(Novello)
Jacob	Fantasia for Euphonium	(Boosey)
Leidzen	Song of the Brother	(Studio)
Marcello	Sonata in F	(Studio)
Martin	Ballande	(Kalmus)
Mealor	Baritone Concerto	(Studio)
Monti	Czardas	(Reift)
Pryor	The Blue Bell of Scotland	(Studio)
Saint-Saens	Softly Awakes my Heart	(Studio)
Senaille	Introduction and Allegro Spiritoso	(Peters)
Sparke	Fantasy	(Smith)
Tcherepnin	Andante, Op 64	(Belaieff)
Verdi	Celeste Aida – The Young Trombonist, Vol 3	(OUP)
Woodfield	Varied Mood	(Hallamshire)

Sight Reading and Transposition 30 marks

Sight reading of appropriate standard; transposition of a given passage a semitone or tone up or down.

### **Fellowship Diploma (FNCM)**

**Candidates must have previously passed the NCM Licentiate or examination of similar standard.**

Candidates are required to perform a programme of 35-40 minutes duration. The items selected should show a contrast of style and period, and one item must be performed from memory. Credit will be given for the quality of choice of each piece and for the construction and compilation of the programme as a whole.

The proposed Fellowship programme must be submitted to the College for approval four weeks before entry.

The Examiner's Report will take the form of a critique. No marks as such will be awarded, and the result will be notified as successful or unsuccessful.

### **MEDAL EXAMINATIONS**

Examinations for Bronze, Silver and Gold Medals are held in most subjects. Details of requirements are as follows:

#### **Junior Bronze**

Two solos from the Grade 3 List  
One own choice solo of similar standard

#### **Intermediate Bronze**

Two solos from the Grade 5 List  
One own choice solo of similar standard

#### **Intermediate Silver**

Two solos from the Grade 6 List  
One own choice solo of similar standard

#### **Intermediate Gold**

Two solos from the Grade 7 List  
One own choice solo of similar standard

#### **Senior Bronze**

Two solos from the Grade 8 List  
Own own choice solo of similar standard

#### **Senior Silver**

Two solos from the Associate List  
One own choice solo of similar standard

**Senior Gold**

Two solos from the Licentiate List

One own choice solo of similar standard

One of the above should be played from memory

The candidate should be prepared to discuss with the Examiner the works performed.

**Marks**

Marks are awarded as follows:

Listed Solos	60 marks
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Own Choice Solo	20 marks
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Discussion with Examiner	20 marks
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The pass mark is 80. No award of Honours or Distinction is made in the Medal Division but a high standard of performance is expected.