

Grade Four

Requirements

- The notes, signs and terms from the music presented for the examination.
- All requirements from the previous levels.
- Knowledge of syncopation and modern song construction (verse, chorus etc.).
- Description of the style of any piece performed (e.g. rock, jazz etc.).

Example, Questions and Answers

The image shows a musical score for a drum set piece in 4/4 time. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 80. The notation includes a 'z' symbol above the first note, and various rhythmic patterns. Questions Q.1 through Q.6 are marked with arrows pointing to specific elements: Q.1 points to the tempo marking, Q.2 points to the 'z' symbol, Q.3&4 point to the time signature, Q.5 points to a note with an 'x' above it, and Q.6 points to a note with a 'z' above it.

- Q.1 What is this, and what does it mean?
- Q.2 What does the "z" mean?
- Q.3 Is this a simple or compound time signature?
- Q.4 Why is it a simple time signature?
- Q.5 What part of the drum kit do we play for this note?
- Q.6 What rudiment is this?