

Performance Assessment Instructions

Objective: The students will be able to demonstrate their individual performance skills using the digital recorder on their mobile device or by using a Digital Audio Editor application.

Necessary items:

- Mobile device (e.g. smartphone, music player with Internet capability, tablet)
- Computer (Mac or PC) * Note - Students may elect to use school facilities
- Internal or external microphone
- Internet access
- Google Classroom Student Account

NOTE: THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL NOW BE DONE EXCLUSIVELY ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM. PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED VIA EMAIL.

Instructions:

STEP 1 - RECORD YOUR EXCERPT (MAKE SURE YOU RECORD THE CORRECT ONE!)

OPTION 1 – SMARTPHONE/MOBILE DEVICE RECORDING

Record your excerpt using your phone's digital recorder. Prior to recording, use a tuner (i.e. tuner app on your phone or online tuner <http://www.seventhstring.com/tuner/tuner.htm>) to calibrate pitch. Do not record yourself tuning. Use a metronome throughout the excerpt (i.e. metronome app or web metronome (<http://webmetronome.com/>)) throughout the assessment performance to monitor the steady beat. The Metronome needs to be audible throughout the excerpt.

OPTION 2 – COMPUTER RECORDING

- 1) Go to <http://audacity.sourceforge.net/>
- 2) Follow the directions to download *Audacity*. This is free software. If you have digital sound editing software, you may use that if you prefer.
- 3) Open Audacity (or your chosen digital sound editor).
- 4) RECORD your assessment. You may do this as many times as necessary. Prior to recording, use a tuner (i.e. tuner app on your phone or online tuner <http://www.seventhstring.com/tuner/tuner.htm>) to calibrate pitch. Do not record yourself tuning. Use a metronome throughout the excerpt (i.e. metronome app or web metronome (<http://webmetronome.com/>) throughout the assessment performance to monitor the steady beat. The Metronome needs to be audible throughout the excerpt.
- 5) Once you are satisfied with your performance, EXPORT your assessment as a .WAV or .MP3 file. Use your full name and ensemble as a filename (i.e. peterperrywindensemble.mp3). If have downloaded Audacity for the first time and need to save as MP3 go to the following link: <http://lame.buanzo.org/#lamewindl> to download the LAME encoder that allows you to concert audio to MP3 format.
- 6) Save the audio file (MP3 or .WAV) to either your hard disk or your school

STEP 2 – ATTACH YOUR RECORDING AND SUBMIT YOUR PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT IN GOOGLE CLASSROOM.

Google Drive.

- 1) Log into Google Classroom via the Google Classroom App or the Web
- 2) Select the performance assessment assignment.
- 3) Attach the audio file
- 4) Test that the file works
- 5) TURN IN the assignment (with the attached audio file)
- 6) Mark as DONE

For help doing this in Google Classroom see this [LINK](#)