THEORY I PLACEMENT EXAM SAMPLE VERSION

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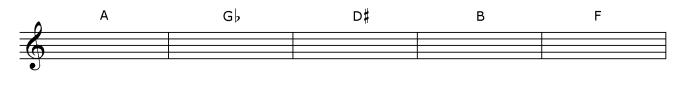
MAJOR INSTRUMENT:

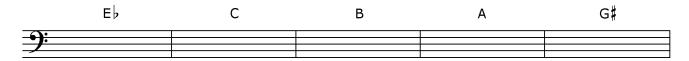
## Time allotted: One hour

This exam is designed for entering freshman with no college-level experience in music theory.

## PART I: PITCH.

1. Write these notes on the staff:





2. Identify the following intervals. Specify quality (major, minor, perfect, augmented, diminished) and size (3rd, 4th, 5th, etc.).



3. Build the following intervals above or below the given note, as indicated:

interval above the given note:

interval below the given note:



4. Write the indicated scales without using a key signature (using accidentals only):





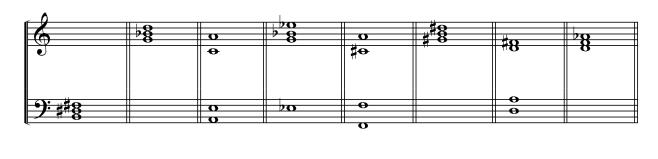
5. Identify the major keys indicated by these key signatures:



6. Identify the minor keys indicated by these key signatures:



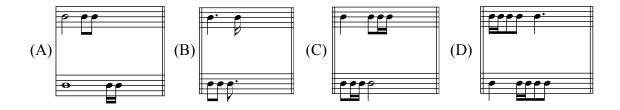
7. Identify the quality of these triads (major, minor, diminished, or augmented):



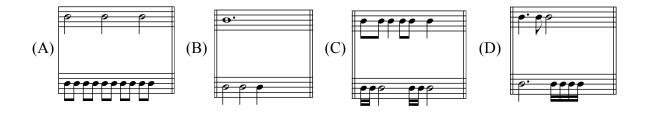
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## **PART II: RHYTHM**

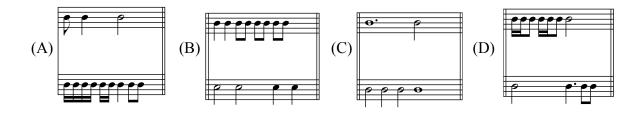
- 1. Draw these items in the space provided:
  - a) whole note: b) thirty-second note: c) quarter note:
  - d) half rest: e) eighth rest:
- 2. Each of the following items—A, B, C, and D—contains a pair of measures. Circle the pair in which the two measures occupy an equal amount of time.



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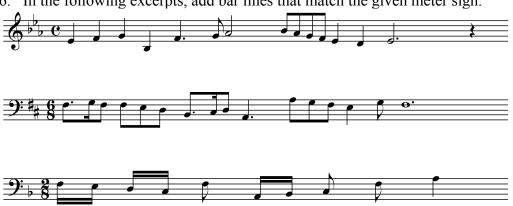
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5. Supply an appropriate meter sign for these excerpts:



6. In the following excerpts, add bar lines that match the given meter sign.



## **Part III: Aural Skills**

1. Melodic dictation.

Write down the melody you hear using the blank staves below.

