

# ICSE Class 9 Performing Arts Syllabus PDF 2020-21

## PERFORMING ARTS (91 – 95)

### Aims:

1. To develop a perceptive, sensitive and critical response to music, dance and drama in its historical and cultural contexts.
2. To stimulate and develop an appreciation and enjoyment of music, dance and drama through active involvement.
3. To balance the demands of disciplined skills and challenging standards in an environment of emotional, aesthetic, imaginative and creative development.
4. To develop performing skills, and so encourage a participation in the wide range of performance activities likely to be found in the school and community.

5. To develop a co-operative attitude through the organisation and participation associated with music, dance and drama.
6. To provide an appropriate body of knowledge with understanding, and to develop appropriate skills as a basis for further study or leisure or both.

**One** of the following **five** syllabuses may be offered:

Hindustani Music	(91)
Carnatic Music	(92)
Western Music	(93)
Indian Dance	(94)
Drama	(95)

**NOTE: For Class IX, please refer to the Class IX portion of the syllabuses for Hindustani Music and Carnatic Music.**

### HINDUSTANI MUSIC (91)

#### CLASS IX

*There will be **one** paper of **two** hours duration carrying 100 marks and Internal Assessment of 100 marks.*

*The syllabus is divided into three sections:*

**Section A - Vocal Music**

**Section B - Instrumental Music**

**Section C - Tabla**

*Candidates will be required to attempt five questions in all, two questions from Section A and **either** three questions from Section B **or** three questions from Section C.*

#### PART 1: THEORY – 100 Marks

##### SECTION A: HINDUSTANI VOCAL MUSIC

1. (a) Non-detail terms: Sangeet; two main systems of Indian Music; Naad, Saptak; Thaata; Alankar; Raga, Vadi, Samvadi, Anuvadi, Vivadi; Aroha, Avaroha, Pakad; Chal and AchalSwara.

Sthayi, Antara; Taan, Alaap; Matra, Vibhag, Taal, Avartan, Sam, Tali, Khali, Theka; Thah (Barabar or Ekgun), Dugun, Chaugun.

(b) Detailed topics: Swara (Shuddha and VikritSwars), Jati (Odava, Shadava, Sampoorana), Laya (Vilambit, Madhya, Drut), Forms of Geet - Khayal (BadaKhayal and ChotaKhayal).

2. Description of the three ragas mentioned under 'practical' – their Thaata, Jati, Vadi-Samvadi, Swaras (Varjit and Vikrit), Aroha-Avaroha, Pakad, time of raga and similar raga.
3. Description of the three taals mentioned under 'practical'; writing them in Thah and Dugun in Taal notation.
4. Knowledge of musical notation system of Pt. V.N. Bhatkhande (Swara and Taal-lipi); writing ChotaKhayal in musical notation.
5. Identification of ragas with the help of given short Swara-vistar.
6. Life and contribution in brief of Tansen and Pt. V.N. Bhatkhande.

## **PRACTICAL**

1. Singing and identifying Shuddha and VikritSwaras.
2. Idea of Laya; Vilambit, Madhya and Drutlayas.
3. Singing of 10 alankars in Dugun and Chaugun Laya.
4. Yaman, Khamaj, Kafi - Singing of one Madhya laya khayal song in above mentioned ragas (with alaaps and taans). National Anthem - Jana Gana Mana and National Song – Vande Mataram (notation is not required).
5. Padhant (Reciting): Thekas of the following three taals with Taali, Khali shown on hands: Teen Taal, Keharwa, Dadra and their Dugun also.
6. Identification of ragas.

## **SECTION B**

### **HINDUSTANI INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC (EXCLUDING TABLA)**

#### **THEORY**

1. (a) Non-detail terms: Sangeet; two main systems of Indian Music; Naad, Saptak; Thaata; Alankar; Raga; Vadi, Samvadi, Anuvadi, Vivadi; Aroha, Avaroha, Pakad;Chal and AchalSwar.  
Chal and AchalThaata, Toda, Alaap; Matra, Vibhag, Taal, Avartan, Sam, Taali, Khali, Theka; Thah (Barabar or Ekgun), Dugun, Chaugun.  
(b) Detailed topics: Swara (Shuddha and VikritSwars), Jati (Odava, Shadava, Sampoorana), Laya (Vilambit, Madhya, Drut), Forms of Gat (Maseetkhani and Razakhani).
2. Description of the three ragas mentioned under 'practical' – their Thaata, Jati, Vadi-Samvadi, Swaras (Varjit and Vikrit), Aroha-Avaroha, Pakad, time of raga and similar raga.
3. Description of the three taals mentioned under 'practical'; writing them in Thah and Dugun in Taal notation.

4. Knowledge of musical notation system of Pt. V.N. Bhatkhande (swara and Taal-lipi); writing Razakhani Gat (with Bols).
5. Identification of ragas with the help of given short swara-vistar.
6. Life and contribution in brief of Tansen and Pt. V.N. Bhatkhande.

## **PRACTICAL**

1. Handling of the instrument; correct posture and finger movement.
2. Playing of 10 alankars in Thah, Dugun and Chaugun.
3. Yaman, Khamaj, Kafi - Playing of one Razakhani Gat in all the ragas as mentioned above (with alaaps and todas). National Anthem-Jana Gana Mana and National Song – Vande Mataram (notation is required).
4. Padhant (Reciting) - Thekas of the following three taals with Taali, Khali shown on hands: Teen Taal, Keharwa, Dadra, and their Dugun also.
5. Identification of ragas.
6. Playing of simple Bols like Da Ra Da Ra, Da Ra Dir Dir, Da Dir, Da Ra, etc.

## **SECTION C**

### **HINDUSTANI INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC (PERCUSSION - TABLA)**

#### **THEORY**

1. (a) Non-detail terms: Matra, Taal,Vibhag; Sam; Tali, Khali, Avartan, Theka, Kayada, Palta, Tihai, Tukda, Kismen (varieties of Theka) and Peshkara.  
(b) Detailed topic: Laya (Vilambit, Madhya and Drut), Layakari (Thah, Dugun, Tigun and Chaugun).
2. Writing in Taal-notation of the four Taals mentioned under 'practical'; with their simple development; writing of Thekas in Thah, Dugun and Chaugun layakarais.
3. Basic knowledge of: Sangeet,Swara and Saptak,

### **PRACTICAL**

1. Knowledge and practice of Vilambit, Madhya and Drut layas as also of Thah, Dugun and Chaugun, with the help of Tali, Khali and matras on hands while reciting Thekas of Taals prescribed.
2. Technique of producing main syllables of Tabla and Bayan (Varnas) like Ta, Dha, Ge, Kat, Tin, Dhin, Tita etc.
3. Playing of Thekas of the following four Taals with development: two kaayadas and its four

paltas with tihai in Teentaal, One tukda in each Jhaptaal, two kismen each in Dadra and Keharwa Taal.

4. Accompaniment (Sangat) in Taals (Dadra and Keharwa).
5. Padhant (Reciting) - Thekas in Thah and Dugun. Simple developments of Taals mentioned in para (3), showing Taali, Khali etc. on hands.

## CARNATIC MUSIC (92)

### CLASS IX

*There will be **one** written paper of **two** hours duration carrying 100 marks and Practical/Internal Assessment of 100 marks.*

1. The fundamental technical terms and their meanings.
2. Principle of Sa, Re, Ga, Ma, notations - significance of symbols commonly used.
3. Raga classification in Carnatic music - scheme of 72 melakarthis - the names and syllabus of 12 chakras - katapayadi formula and its application - 8 kinds of janyaragas - ragalakshana.
4. Lakshanas of the following 11 ragas: Kharaharapriya; Kalyani; Sankarabharanam; Shanmukhayriya; Kambhoji; Anandabhairavi; Bilahari; Saveri; Hindolam; Mohana; Hamsadhwani.
5. Dasavidhagamakas.
6. The scheme of 35 talas - Chaputala and its varieties - Desadi and Madhayaditalas - Kriya - Anga - Laya - Gati - Matra (a detailed knowledge of any two) - Shadangas.
7. Musical forms and their classification - An advanced knowledge of the following musical forms: Gita, Tanavarna, Padavarna, Kriti.

### INTERNAL ASSESSMENT IN CARNATIC MUSIC - GUIDELINES FOR MARKING WITH GRADES

Criteria	Purity of Swar	Laya	Knowledge of raga/tala	Ability to recall practical and theoretical concepts	Overall effect or presentation
Grade I each part 8 marks	Possesses an impeccable sense of pitch and note production is similarly perfect.	Has an accurate perception of rhythms, its speed and variations. Can build a solid foundation for musical variation.	Portrays the raga accurately and with appropriate feeling. Moves within the confines of the 'tal' structure.	Performance and presentation reveals a thorough knowledge of raga attributes and of the structure of the tala in general.	Inspired, error free presentation of melody and rhythm. Accurate conception of pitch, correct identification of raga and tala.
Grade II each part 6 marks	Has good total value but lacks note perfection or vice versa.	Can maintain an even tempo and is usually accurate in the use of 'layakari" or rhythmic variation.	Expresses great feeling but is less than faithful to the grammar of raga or tala.	Presents well but betrays lack of crucial theoretical inputs like "Nyas" in the improvisation.	Pleasing rendition of melodic and rhythmic forms, a good working knowledge of various degrees of pitch, different ragas etc.
Grade III each part 4 marks	Has a moderate sense of pitch with a satisfactory ability to project musical notes.	Is somewhat erratic in the maintenance of the taal's speed. However somehow strives to manage the laya.	Can only express the raga in the most limited pathways. Has difficulty knowing his/her position vis-a-vis the tal.	Diligent and keen but shows poor knowledge of concepts like 'alankara' and 'varna'.	Uninspiring, but adequate bookish presentation of course material. Erratic sense of pitch. Shaky knowledge of raga and tala.
Grade IV each part 2 marks	A bare semblance of musical quality in both tone and pitch concepts. Sometimes goes off scale.	Is unable to maintain an even 'laya' foundation. Consistently increases or decreases the speed and cannot perform even 'Dugun' in proper time.	The Raga is recognizable only as a vague idea. Is often out of rhythm and has little knowledge of the dynamics of tala.	Moderate presentation not backed by inner reference to VadiSamvadi or Tali, Khali of Raga and Tala.	Barely scrapes through the basic required idioms of melody and rhythmic cycle. Poor concept of pitch, tala, and raga.
Grade V each part 0 marks	Does not seem to have any concept of pitch. Rendition is off-key.	Has no idea of tune and its relationship to melody. Cannot maintain the rhythm of simple melodies.	Does not Correctly maintain the basic elements of rag and taal.	Presentation is a hotchpotch of poorly stated phrases, broken in pitch and rhythms.	Has no semblance to musical effect of any sort. Cannot keep a tune or maintain tempo. No concept of raga or tala.

## WESTERN MUSIC (93)

### CLASSES IX AND X

There will be **one** paper of **two** hours duration carrying 100 marks and Internal Assessment of 100 marks.

#### PART 1: THEORY – (100 Marks)

The syllabus is divided into two Sections:

**Section A** - Musical Instruments

**Section B** - Forms and Analysis of Music

Candidates will be required to attempt **nine** questions in all, **five** questions from Section A all of which are compulsory and any **four** questions from Section B.

#### SECTION A: MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

1. **Musical Instruments:** Sound production and playing techniques of the following families of instruments:

- (a) Keyboard family:  
*Harpsichord, clavichord and acoustic pianoforte.*
- (b) Pipe Organ
- (c) The String family:  
*Violin, Viola, Violoncello, Double Bass.*
- (d) The Guitar family:  
*Classical, Spanish, Hawaiian guitars.*
- (e) Woodwind family:  
*Flute, Piccolo, Oboe, Clarinet, Cor Anglais, Bassoon, Saxophone.*
- (f) Brass Family:  
*Trumpet, French Horn, Trombone, Tuba.*
- (g) Percussion family  
*Timpani (Kettle Drums), Bass Drum, Snare Drum, Tambourine, Tubular Bells, Xylophone, Glockenspiel.*

#### Note:

- Candidates are expected to know the tuning notes and clefs of the following: The String family and The Guitar family. They will be expected to be able to write these on staff notation, beginning with the lowest in pitch. They are expected to know the range of any one woodwind and any one brass instrument of their choice.
- Any TWO Similarities and TWO differences between members of the same family, for example e.g.: oboe & clarinet; flute & piccolo, trombone & tuba, etc.

#### SECTION B: FORMS AND ANALYSIS OF MUSIC

##### 2. Forms of Music

- (a) Jazz  
*Origin, characteristics, instrumentation, Genres of Jazz: New Orleans, Swing, Bebop.*
- (b) Popular Music  
*Life, works, style and reasons for popular appeal of any solo artiste (vocal or instrumental) **and** / **or** band of the candidate's choice. Genres of music may include but are not limited to:*  
*Folk, Country, Gospel, Soul, Reggae, Pop, Rock, R&B, Hip Hop, Electronic Music.*

##### 3. Life and Works

- (a) Life and works and unique contribution of the following composers:  
J.S Bach, G.F Handel, W.A Mozart, L.van Beethoven, J. Brahms.
- (b) Life, works and style of the following exponents of Jazz; Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, Miles Davis.

#### Note:

Candidates are expected to write an essay of approximately 500 words on the life, works and contribution of the composer/s and/or exponents mentioned above.

##### 4. Technology in Music

- (a) Electronic Music  
*Definition and scope of Electronic Music; description of the Theremin and the Moog Synthesizer.*
- (b) Basic knowledge of the following genres  
*Industrial, House Music, Drum & Bass, Dubstep, Electro House.*
- (c) DAW (Digital Audio Workstation)
  - (i) *Definition, basic features and applications of **any one** Home Studio DAW of the candidate's choice.*
  - (ii) *Definition and usage in a DAW of the following: audio samples, loops, live audio, plug-ins and Timeline.*
  - (iii) *Applications of DAWs in Electronic Music, DJ music and new directions in music.*

## 5. Personal Experience

Candidates should be able to write an essay (approximately 500 words) about their personal experiences as a musician in *any one* of the following areas:

- (a) As a solo singer or instrumentalist.
- (b) Member of the school choir or orchestra.
- (c) Part of a school Musical Theatre or any other production.

**Note:** The topics should be interpreted as widely as possible. Candidates should listen to a variety of music within the category title. In answering questions, which require paragraph answers, candidates should refer knowledgeably and by name, to the works to which they have listened.

Questions will be framed so as to give all candidates a chance to show the following: (i) that they have heard works in a given category; (ii) that they know the characteristics of a particular category or kind of music; (iii) that they are aware of the context of a particular category or kind of music; (iv) that they know the names of prominent composers and their contribution to a particular category or kind of music.

### **PART 2: PRACTICAL WORK IN MUSIC (WESTERN)**

**- 100 Marks**

Candidates for the examination in Music (Western) will be required to have passed the Practical Examination of the Associated Board of Royal School of Music, Grade 4, or a more advanced grade or Grade 4 or a more advanced Grade of Trinity College, London or Grade 4 or a more advanced grade of London College of Music (or an equivalent examination approved by the Council).

#### **Course Work**

The Practical work of candidates in Western Music in preparation for the practical examination of:

- The Associated Board of Royal School of Music: Grade 4, or a more advanced grade,  
or
- Trinity College, London: Grade 4 or a more advanced grade,  
or
- London College of Music: Grade 4 or a more advanced grade

(or an equivalent examination approved by the Council), will be taken as the requirement for

course work in Western Music.

#### **Final Test**

The practical examination of the Associated Board of Royal School of Music, Grade 4, or a more advanced grade, or Grade 4 or a more advanced Grade of Trinity College, London, Grade 4 or a more advanced grade of London College of Music (or an equivalent examination approved by the Council), will be taken in fulfillment of the final test for practical work in Western Music.

#### **Assessment**

The result of the practical examination issued by the Associated Board of Royal School of Music, Grade 4, or a more advanced grade, or Grade 4 or a more advanced grade of Trinity College, London, Grade 4 or a more advanced grade of London College of Music (or an equivalent examination approved by the Council) will be taken as the assessment of Part 2 of Western Music.

#### **Suggested Readings:**

- The Encyclopedia of Music: Max Wade-Mathews & Wendy Thompson
- The Enjoyment of Music: published by W.W. Norton & Co.
- The History of Music; From the Cambridge assignments in Music: Roy Bennett
- The Harvard Dictionary of Music: Don Michael Randel.
- The Oxford Dictionary of Music: Michael & Joyce Kennedy & Tim Rutherford - Johnson.

# INDIAN DANCE (94)

## CLASSES IX AND X

There will be **one** paper of **two hours** duration carrying 100 marks and Internal Assessment of 100 marks.

Candidates will be required to select one dance style from the following: Bharatanatyam, Kathak, Odissi, Kuchipudi, Manipuri and Kathakali. The course work and assessment for the Internal Assessment shall focus solely on the dance style selected by the candidate. An overview of classical dance in India may be required, along with simple comparative studies between the different dance styles, for the written Theory paper.

### PART 1: Theory – (100 Marks)

Candidates will be required to attempt **five** questions out of **eight** questions.

1. Identification of different classical dance styles in India. The aesthetic appeal of each, highlighting the distinctiveness of the individual styles, namely Bharatanatyam, Kathak, Odissi, Kuchipudi, Manipuri and Kathakali.
2. An appreciation of the myths surrounding the lives of Ganesh, Krishna, Shiva, Vishnu, etc.
3. The sociological development of dance – its history, roots, growth and revival.
4. Prominent exponents of the various different classical dance styles listed above.
5. An understanding of the dance repertoire and musical accompaniment (*for the chosen dance style only*).
6. The relevance of dance in today's world and the modern developments in dance.

**PART 2:** To be assessed internally by the School.

### Practical Work in Indian Dance - 100 Marks

#### Course Work

The practical section is divided into *two* parts:

- 1) Nritya
- 2) Abhinaya

#### 1. Nritya

- (i) The basic body stances and positions, the neck and eye movements of the chosen dance style.
- (ii) A minimum of 15 steps in Nritya to be

executed in the 3 speeds of slow, medium and fast.

- (iii) An understanding of the different rhythms (Tal) and the ability to perform a particular Tal in a passage of dance.
- (iv) Recitation of the Bols (syllables) and the ability to present the spoken syllables in dance.
- (v) Individual presentation of a short Nritya item.

#### 2. Abhinaya

- (i) Knowledge of the Asamyuta (single hand gestures) and Samyuta (double hand gestures) used in Abhinaya.
- (ii) The Deva Hastas (Brahma, Vishnu, Shiva, Krishna, Ganesh, etc.) with their attributes.
- (iii) The DasavataHastas (gestures depicting the 10 avatars of Vishnu).

#### Assessment

1. The teacher and the External Examiner will assess the practice and performance of candidates.
2. The External Examiner may be a teacher nominated by the Head of the school, who could be from the faculty, but **not teaching the subject in the section/class**. For example, a teacher of Indian Dance of Class VIII may be deputed to be an External Examiner for Class X, Indian Dance Projects.

The Internal Examiner and the External Examiner will assess the assignments independently.

#### Award of Marks (100 Marks)

Subject Teacher (Internal Examiner)	50 marks
External Examiner	50 marks

The total marks obtained out of 100 are to be sent to the Council by the Head of the school.

The Head of the school will be responsible for the online entry of marks on the Council's CAREERS portal by the due date.



### INTERNAL ASSESSMENT IN DANCE - GUIDELINES FOR MARKING WITH GRADES

Criteria	Regularity & Punctuality	Movements	Facial Expressions	Make -Up
Grade I each part 8 marks	Participates regularly and is punctual.	Highly appropriate, highly graceful and highly natural.	Highly appropriate, highly graceful and highly natural.	Highly appropriate, highly eye - catching and highly natural.
Grade II each part 6 marks	Participates regularly but is not punctual.	Mostly appropriate, mostly graceful and mostly natural.	Mostly graceful, mostly appropriate, mostly natural.	Mostly appropriate, mostly eye - catching and mostly natural.
Grade III each part 4 marks	Participates very often but is neither regular nor punctual.	Partially appropriate, somewhat graceful and natural.	Partially and somewhat natural.	Partially appropriate, somewhat eye - catching and somewhat natural.
Grade IV each part 2 marks	Rarely participates.	Rarely appropriate and rarely graceful.	Rarely appropriate and rarely natural.	Mostly inappropriate, does not catch the eye and mostly unnatural.
Grade V each part 0 marks	Never participates.	Inappropriate, artificial and lacks grace.	Inappropriate and unnatural.	Inappropriate, not at all eye - catching and unnatural.

## DRAMA (95)

### CLASSES IX AND X

*There will be **one** paper of **two** hours duration carrying 100 marks and Internal Assessment of 100 marks.*

#### PART 1: THEORY – (100 Marks)

*The syllabus is divided into two Sections:*

**Section A – Drama as Art**

**Section B – Technical aspects of Drama**

*Candidates will be required to attempt **five** questions in all, **three** questions from Section A and **two** questions from Section B.*

#### SECTION A

Six questions shall be set in this Section. Candidates will be required to evaluate and analyse material as part of a drama process. Resource material would be provided in each question in the form of extracted pieces from plays, themes, situations or printed visual sequences. The resource materials are expected to form stimuli that would be used by candidates to answer the question. Answers can be in the form of a written commentary and may be accompanied by sketches, diagrams and notes as required. Candidates would be permitted to creatively add dialogue to the stimuli provided for each question.

Candidates will be expected to have an appreciation of the following elements:

1. Use of people, space and conflict in drama.
2. The function of the director.
3. The actor – basic technique (Stage positions; Body positions used by actors - in relation to the audience and to other actors; Turns and gestures; Movement and approaches; Entering and exiting; Handling of properties), body, voice and role.
4. The stage – its various parts and different types of staging (proscenium arch theatre, central staging, street theatre, folk theatre (only Jatra, Tamasha, Yakshagana and Nautanki), puppetry (only Glove puppet and String puppet) Composition, picturisation, movement, rhythm, dramatisation.

5. Literature: no specific texts are prescribed, but candidates need to have studied some extracted pieces as examples, which may include Pygmalion, Antigone and improvise.

#### SECTION B

Four questions shall be set in this Section. Candidates will be expected to have working knowledge of the technical skills used by directors, actors, and designers (sets, costumes, make-up, lighting and sound). Questions will be set using resource material as a basis for technical design – candidates will be permitted to use sketches, notes and diagrams as part of their answers.

Candidates will be expected to have an appreciation of the following elements:

1. Use of the stage and emphasis through set design, positions, compositions and movement; Blocking and its relation to the composition.
2. The production process; Rehearsals.
3. Equipment - from auditorium to backstage; Sets (*including parts of stage equipment used in a set*); Properties.
4. Lighting and sound – equipment.
5. Costumes and make-up (*including design*).
6. Stage management.

**PART 2:** To be assessed internally by the School.

#### Practical Work in Drama - 100 Marks

##### Course Work

The practical section is divided into *two* parts - Acting and Stagecraft – both of which must be studied by candidates.

1. **Acting:** Candidates will be required to practise and perform as actors. This practical and performance may be undertaken either as acting an original piece or acting a piece/extract from a play. The practical work of candidates

will be assessed by the teacher as course work.

The teacher is free to assess the course work either on the basis of continuous assessment or on the basis of periodical tests. Where a candidate has personally taken part in performance, video recorded evidence and reviews may be submitted for the assessment by the External Examiner.

2. **Stagecraft:** In addition to the course work on Acting, the candidates will be tested in one element of stagecraft by the teacher and by an External Examiner. Candidates will be required to choose one area from (i) Costumes, (ii) Make-up, (iii) Stage design including sets, (iv) Lighting, (v) Sound. Candidates should present designs prepared based on a play that has been developed as coursework during the year. Photographs, designs and video tapes may be submitted for the assessment by the External Examiner where the candidate has prepared a design for a performance.

## Assessment

1. The teacher and the External Examiner will assess the practice and performance of candidates.
2. The External Examiner may be a teacher nominated by the Head of the school, who could be from the faculty, **but not teaching the subject in the section/class**. For example, a teacher of Drama of Class VIII may be deputed to be an External Examiner for Class X Drama Projects.

The Internal Examiner and the External Examiner will assess the assignments independently.

## Award of Marks (100 Marks)

Subject Teacher (Internal Examiner)	50 marks
External Examiner	50 marks

The total marks obtained out of 100 are to be sent to the Council by the Principal of the school.

The Head of the school will be responsible for the online entry of marks on the Council's CAREERS portal by the due date.

### INTERNAL ASSESSMENT IN DRAMATICS - GUIDELINES FOR MARKING WITH GRADES

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Regularity &amp; Punctuality</b>	<b>Make - Up</b>	<b>Acting</b>	<b>Dialogue</b>	<b>Emotional Appeal</b>
Grade I each part 8 marks	Participates regularly and is punctual.	Highly appropriate, highly eye-catching and highly natural.	Highly graceful, highly eye-catching, highly natural.	Highly correct, very distinct, highly effective.	Highly adequate intensity, highly appropriate to the occasion.
Grade II each part 6 marks	Participates regularly but is not punctual.	Mostly appropriate, mostly eye - catching and mostly natural.	Mostly graceful, mostly appropriate, mostly natural.	Mostly correct, mostly distinct, mostly effective.	Mostly adequate intensity, mostly appropriate to the occasion and role.
Grade III each part 4 marks	Participates very often but is neither regular nor punctual.	Appropriate, eye catching, somewhat natural.	Partially graceful, mostly appropriate, mostly natural.	Partially correct, partially distinct, partially effective.	Partially adequate intensity and rarely appropriate to the occasion and role.
Grade IV each part 2 marks	Rarely participates.	Partially appropriate and partially eye-catching.	Needs frequent guidance.	Rarely appropriate, rarely distinct, rarely effective.	Rarely adequate intensity and rarely appropriate to the occasion and role.
Grade V each part 0 marks	Never participates.	Inappropriate, not eye-catching and unnatural.	Inappropriate and unnatural.	Inappropriate, distinct, and ineffective.	Inadequate intensity and inappropriate to the occasion and role.