

Online Music Theory Pilot (Grade 5) Accessibility Statement

As part of our commitment to all of our customers and learners, ABRSM strives to make all of its assessments accessible and inclusive to all, including those with visual, cognitive and motor impairments. Our Online Theory exam is delivered through PSI's Atlas Cloud test delivery platform using their RPnow secure browser and we want as many people as possible to be able to use this platform to complete their exam. The secure browser is WCAG 2.1 compliant and means candidates should be able to:

- Change background colours
- Zoom in up to 200%
- Navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
- Navigate most of the website using speech recognition software
- Interact with most of the website using a screen reader (JAWS)

Limitations to accessibility

ABRSM strives to make all of our assessments accessible. We recognise that some elements of this pilot exam limit accessibility (image heavy exam content including clefs, staves and time signatures). However, we maintain our commitment to full accessibility and compliance with all applicable law. We will therefore make this a focus of our future online Theory offer and aim to put specific solutions in place for exams taken from November 2020.

Known limitations:

- JAWS screen reader is not able to read images: images embedded within the exam material do not currently have text alternatives
- Some text may not reflow in a single column or be completely visible on the screen when you change the zoom and use larger levels of magnification
 - Candidates should be aware that they may need to scroll to see all of the question

Alternative arrangements

- Candidates can request the exam paper in an alternative format (Large or Modified print or Braille) and complete it as a paper based assessment

We are keen to support all learners throughout this pilot and therefore encourage you to contact us so that we can make the most suitable arrangements to support the needs of individual candidates.

How to request content in an accessible format?

If you need an exam paper in a different format, please request this by selecting the relevant option when registering a candidate for their exam.

Contact us

If you wish to contact us about anything not covered above, please email accesscoordinator@abrsms.ac.uk