

## PPTA STAR Evaluations Performance Rating Guide (2018)

Grade	Description of Performance	Score Grid	Types of Problems
With Distinction	Perfect Very musical WOW!		
Excellent	Almost perfect performance. Very musical overall with expression.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No more than ONE minus (-)</li> <li>• Positive (+) praise on at least TWO qualities.</li> </ul>	
Very Good	Solid performance. Must have dynamics and articulations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least TWO minuses (-)</li> <li>• Positives (+) praise must outweigh minuses (-) by 2 to 1</li> </ul>	Rhythm or tempo problems; some missed notes; dynamics present but not always effective.
Good	Good but not solid performance. Notes & rhythm may have problems; tempo fluctuates; do overs or hesitations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least THREE minuses (-)</li> <li>• At least ONE positive (+) praise</li> </ul>	Several missed notes; rhythm & tempo problems; may lack dynamics or expression.
Passing	Halting performance. Notes & rhythm will have problems; playing will be under tempo and/or frequent do overs or hesitations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least FOUR minuses (-)</li> <li>• At least ONE positive (+)</li> <li>• Minuses (-) outweigh positives (+) by 2 to 1</li> </ul>	Frequent do overs, missed notes, rhythm & tempo errors; lacks dynamics. Try to write a supporting comment.
N	Not performable.		Student does not know piece well enough to evaluate.

*See Rating Grid Below...*

	+	ok	-
Accuracy of notes			
Rhythm			
Tempo; steady, appropriate			
Articulation			
Dynamics			
Musical Expression			