

PPTA STAR Evaluations Performance Rating Guide

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"> • No more than ONE minus (-) • Positive (+) praise on at least TWO qualities. 	
Very Good	Solid performance. Must have dynamics and articulations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No more than TWO minuses (-) • Positives (+) praise must outweigh minuses (-) by 2 to 1 	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"> • No more than THREE minuses (-) • At least ONE positive (+) praise 	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"> • No more than FOUR minuses (-) • At least ONE positive (+) • Minuses (-) outweigh positives (+) by 2 to 1 	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			