

Progression to A Level Music at Prior Pursglove College

Here are some activities and resources that you could have a look at to prepare yourself for A Level Music:

Music Theory

<https://www.musictheory.net/>

<https://www.open.edu/openlearn/history-the-arts/music/introduction-music-theory/content-section-0?active-tab=description-tab>

In addition, any apps that you can use on your phones to help you with intervals, chords and pitches would be very useful.

Exam Board: AQA

Text Book: <http://www.rhinegoldeducation.co.uk/product/aqa-as-and-a-level-music-study-guide/>

Composition Software

If you download musescore, this is an excellent free software package that many students use at college. <https://musescore.org/en>

Listening Materials for Baroque Concerto

Purcell Trumpet Sonata in D Major Z.850

Vivaldi Flute Concerto in d major Oop. 10 No. 3 Il Gardellino

Bach Violin Concerto in A minor BWV1041 first movement

Performance

Ideally, you need to be around grade 7 standard by the time you take A Level music after two years of study, so the more you work on your instruments in readiness for the course, the better. Scale practice is particularly helpful as it helps with the aural questions in the exam. Have a look at grade 5 standard example pieces on the internet to see how where you are at the moment in terms of your instrumental skills and experience. Don't worry, if you're not there yet though!

