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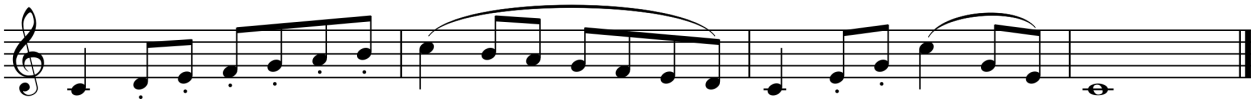
Ensemble Audition

General Guidelines

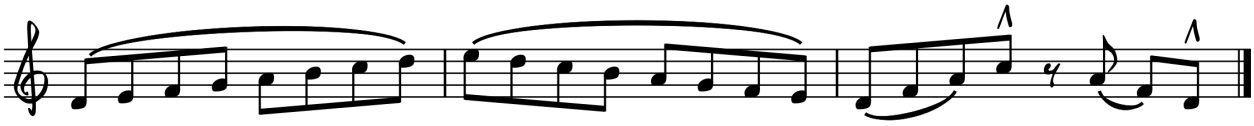
The audition night will take place in April. Please make every effort to attend as late auditions will not be given the same weight or consideration as those completed on time.

The **chromatic** scale should be played no slower than eighth notes at ♩ = 120.

All **major** scales should be played in the FBA All State pattern, with arpeggios, as below:



Dorian and **Mixolydian** scales for the jazz audition should be played with swung eighth notes up to scale degree 9 and a dominant 7 arpeggio, as below:



Auditions will be evaluated according to the following rubric:

Scales	
Chromatic	10 points
Major / Dorian / Mixolydian	10 points each × 4 scales
SUB-TOTAL (at 2 octaves per scale)	**50 points**
Prepared Étude	
Tone Quality	10 points
Notes	10 points
Rhythms	10 points
Articulation	10 points
Expression / Musicality	10 points
SUB-TOTAL	**50 points**
TOTAL	100 points

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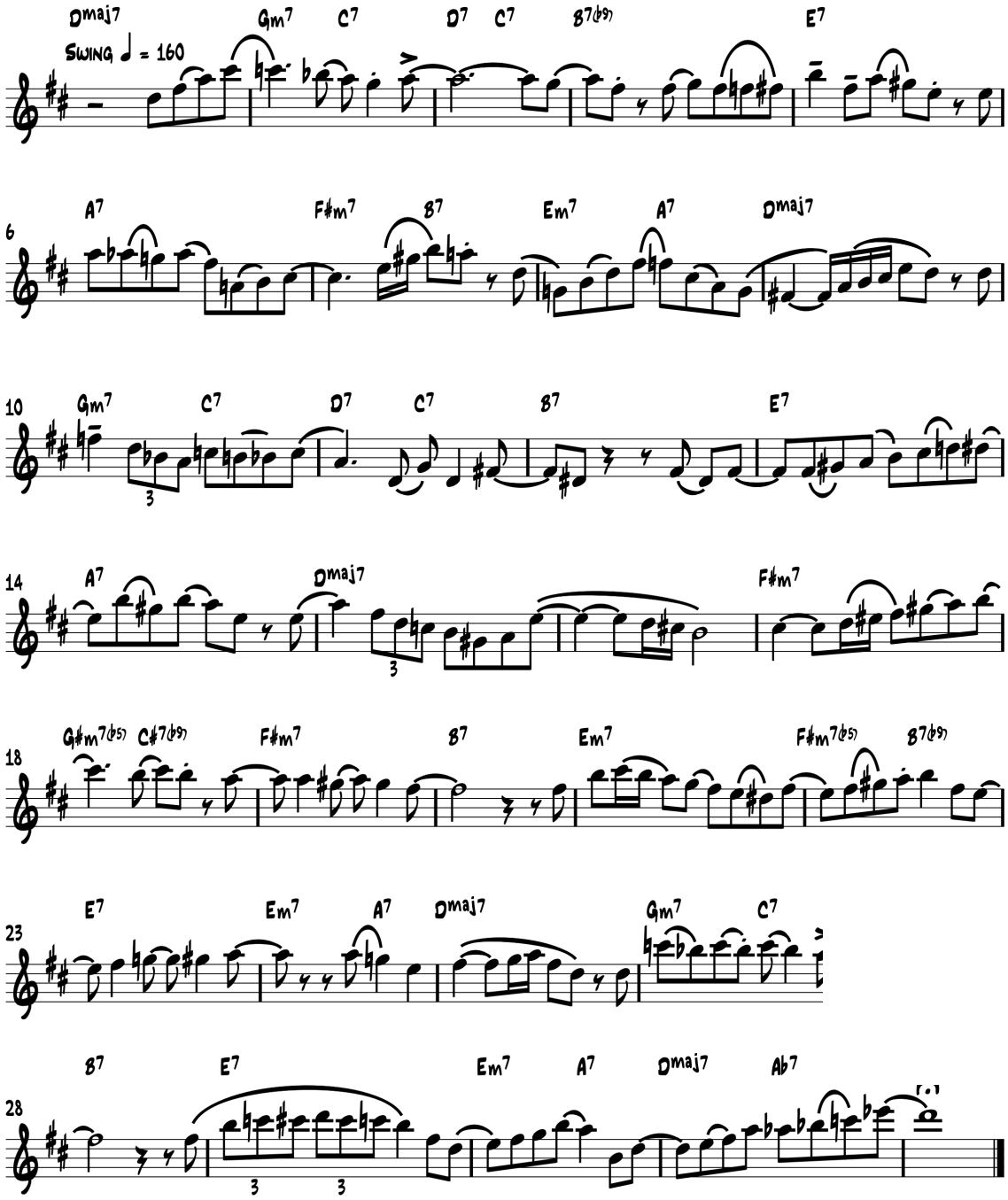
Saxophone (2027)

Mixolydian Scales
Two of G, C, F, Bb, Eb

Dorian Scales
Two of Gb, B, E, A, D

Chromatic Scale
Two octaves from F

Prepared Étude



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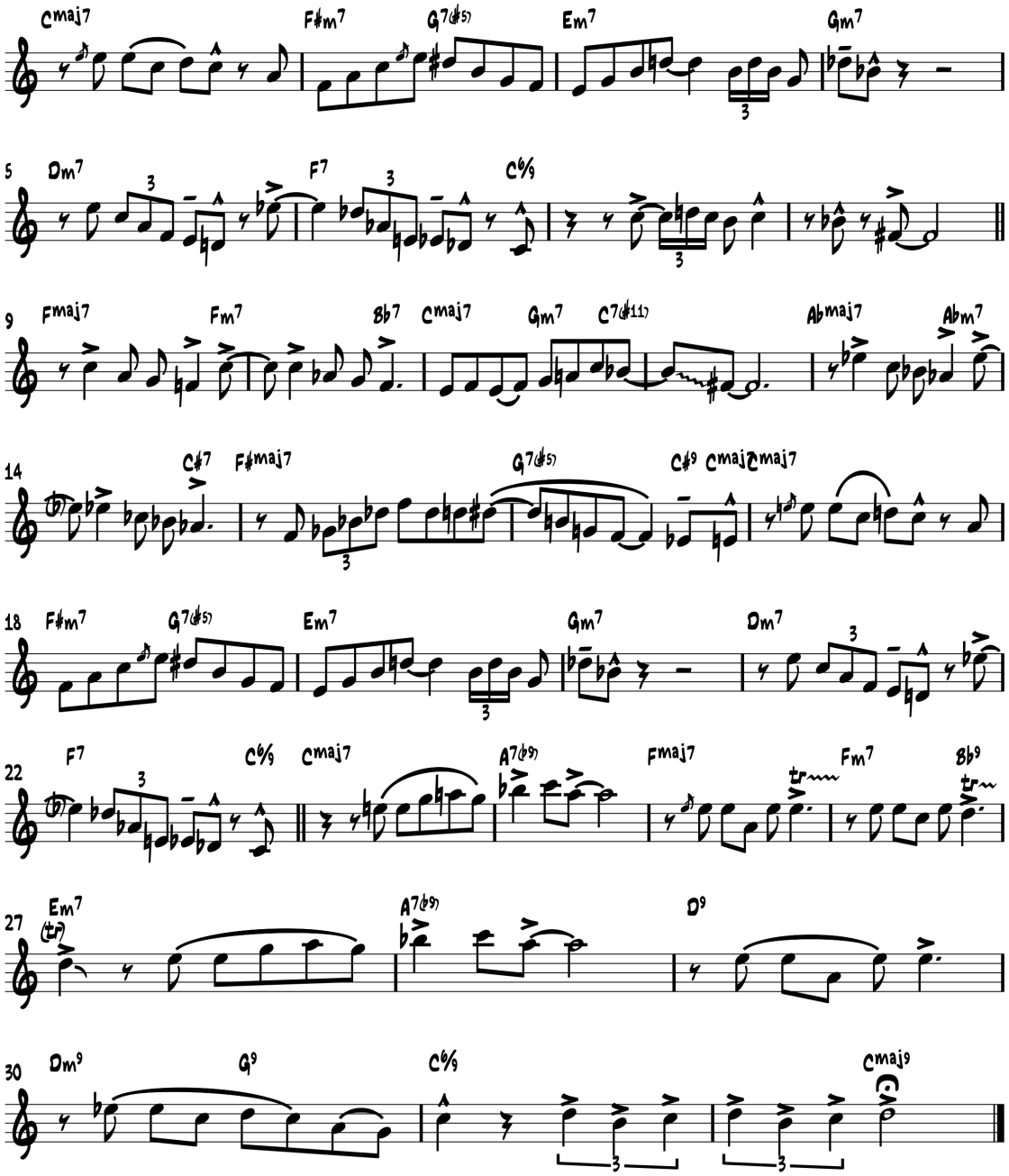
Trumpet (2027)

Mixolydian Scales
Two of C, F, Bb, Eb, Ab

Dorian Scales
Two of B, E, A, D, G

Chromatic Scale
Two octaves from C

Prepared Étude



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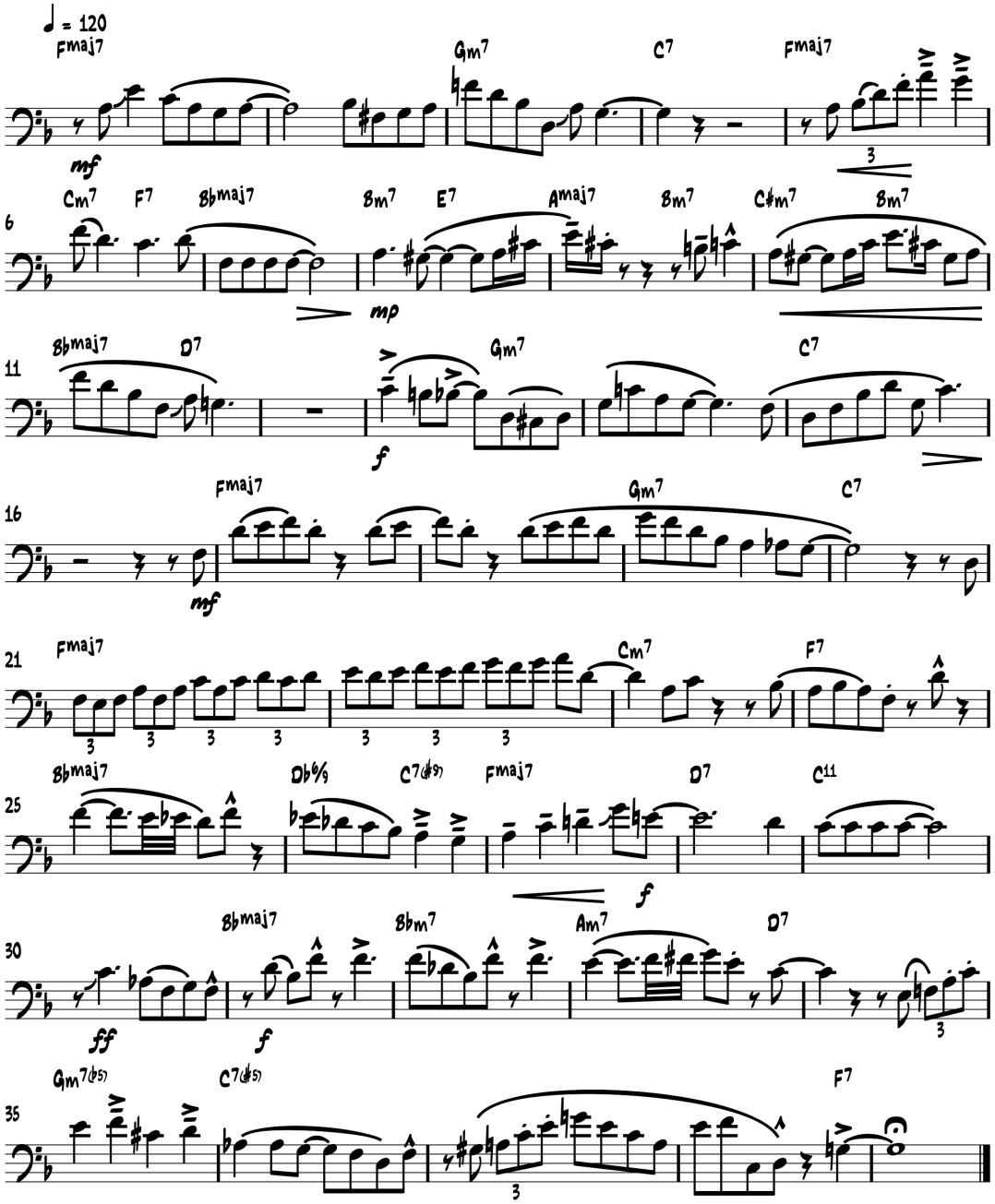
Trombone (2027)

Mixolydian Scales
Two of Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb

Dorian Scales
Two of A, D, G, C, F

Chromatic Scale
Two octaves from Bb

Prepared Étude



All piano scales should be played two-handed.

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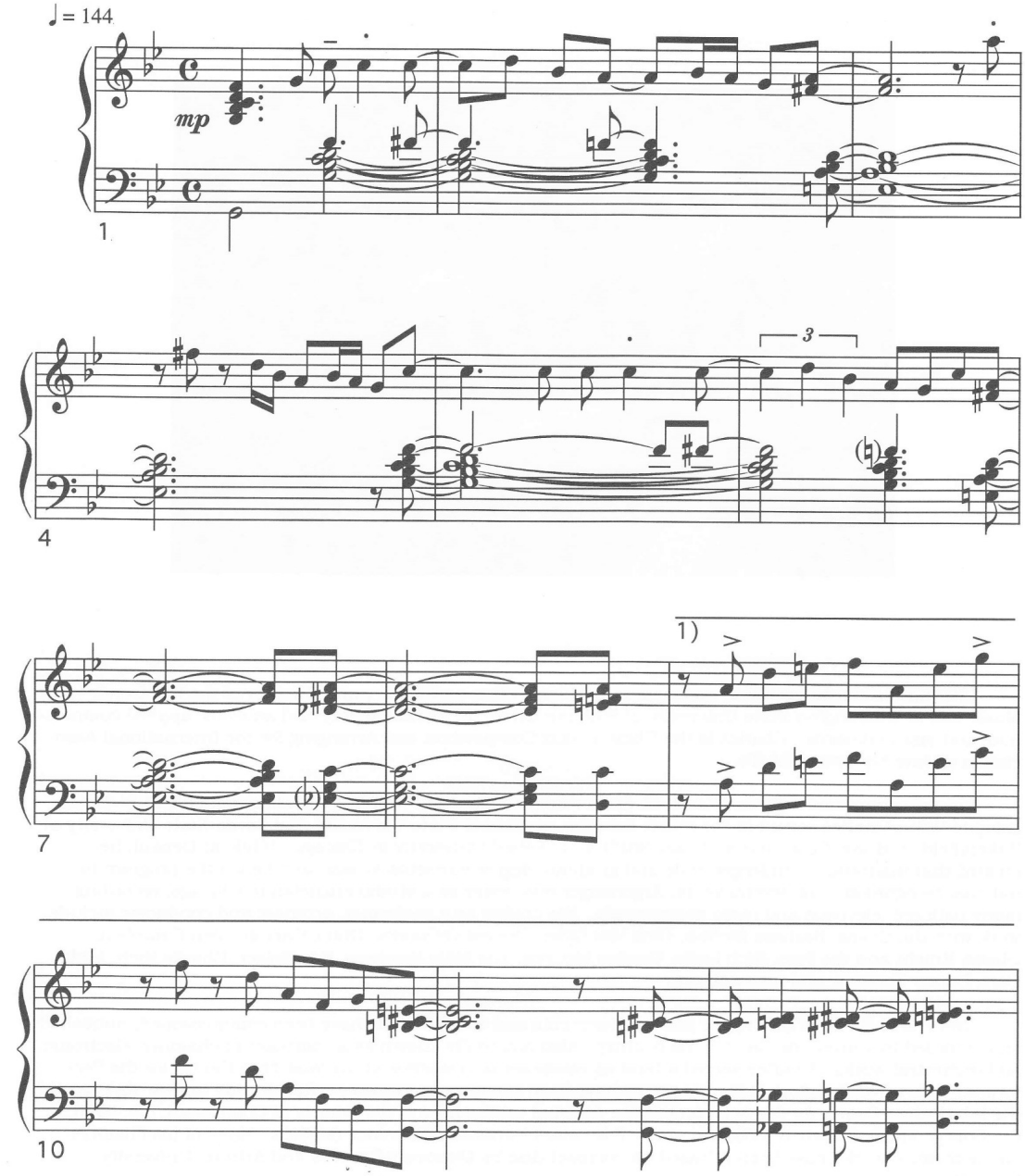
Piano (2027)

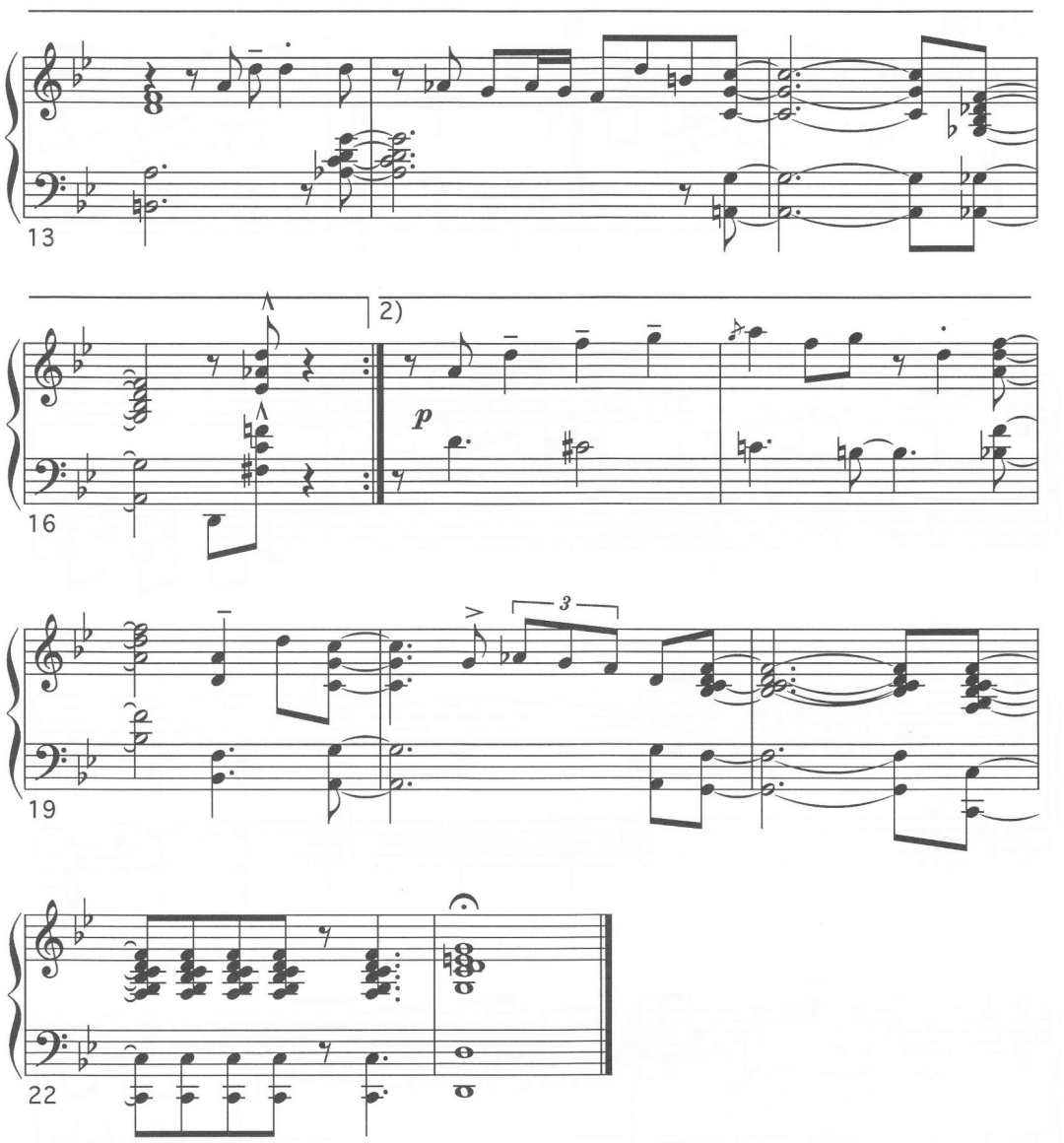
Mixolydian Scales
Two of Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb, B

Dorian Scales
Two of E, A, D, G, C, F

Chromatic Scale
Two octaves from C

Prepared Étude

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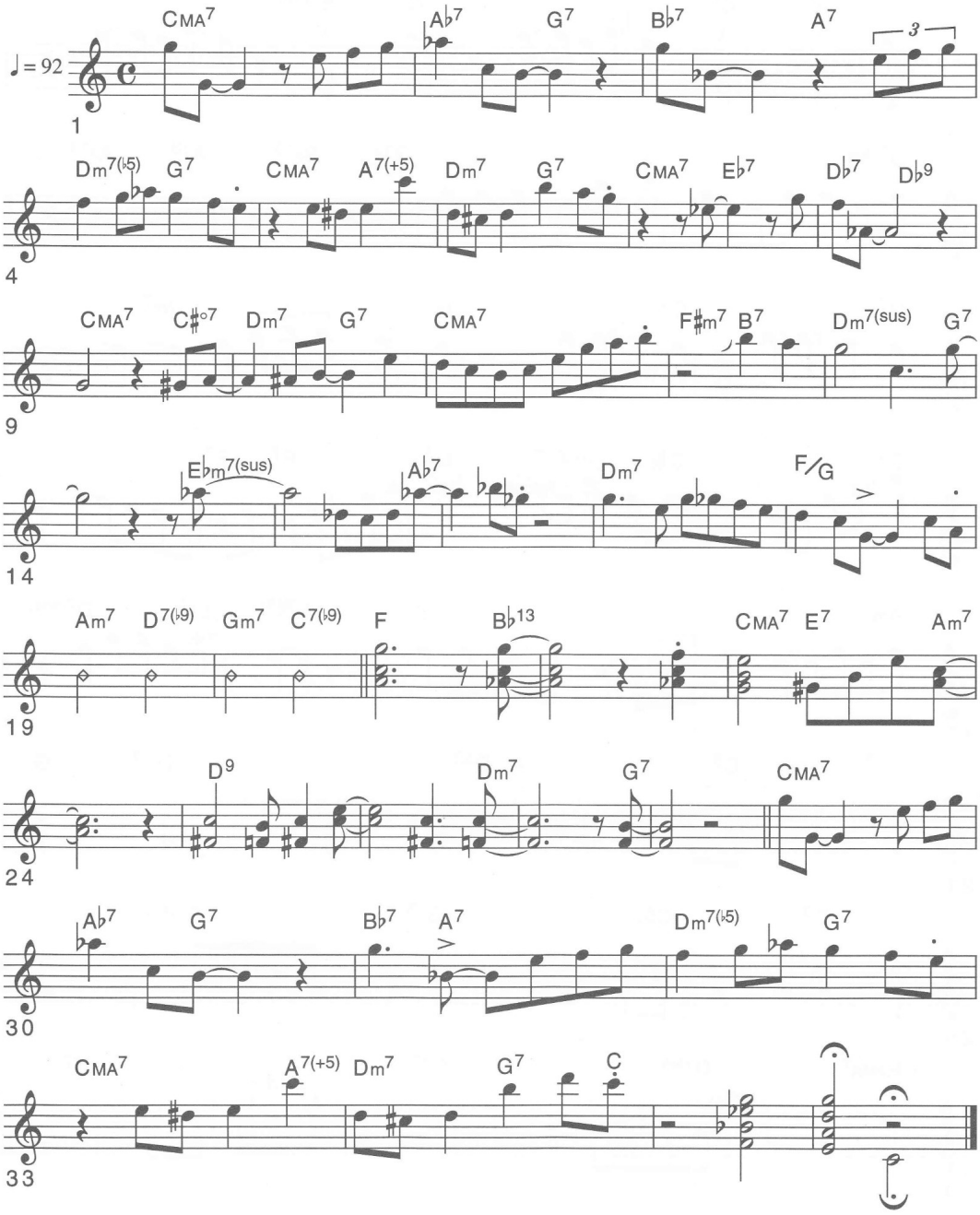
Guitar (2027)

Mixolydian Scales
Two of Bb, Eb, Ab, Db

Dorian Scales
Two of D, G, C, F

Chromatic Scale
Two octaves from C

Prepared Étude



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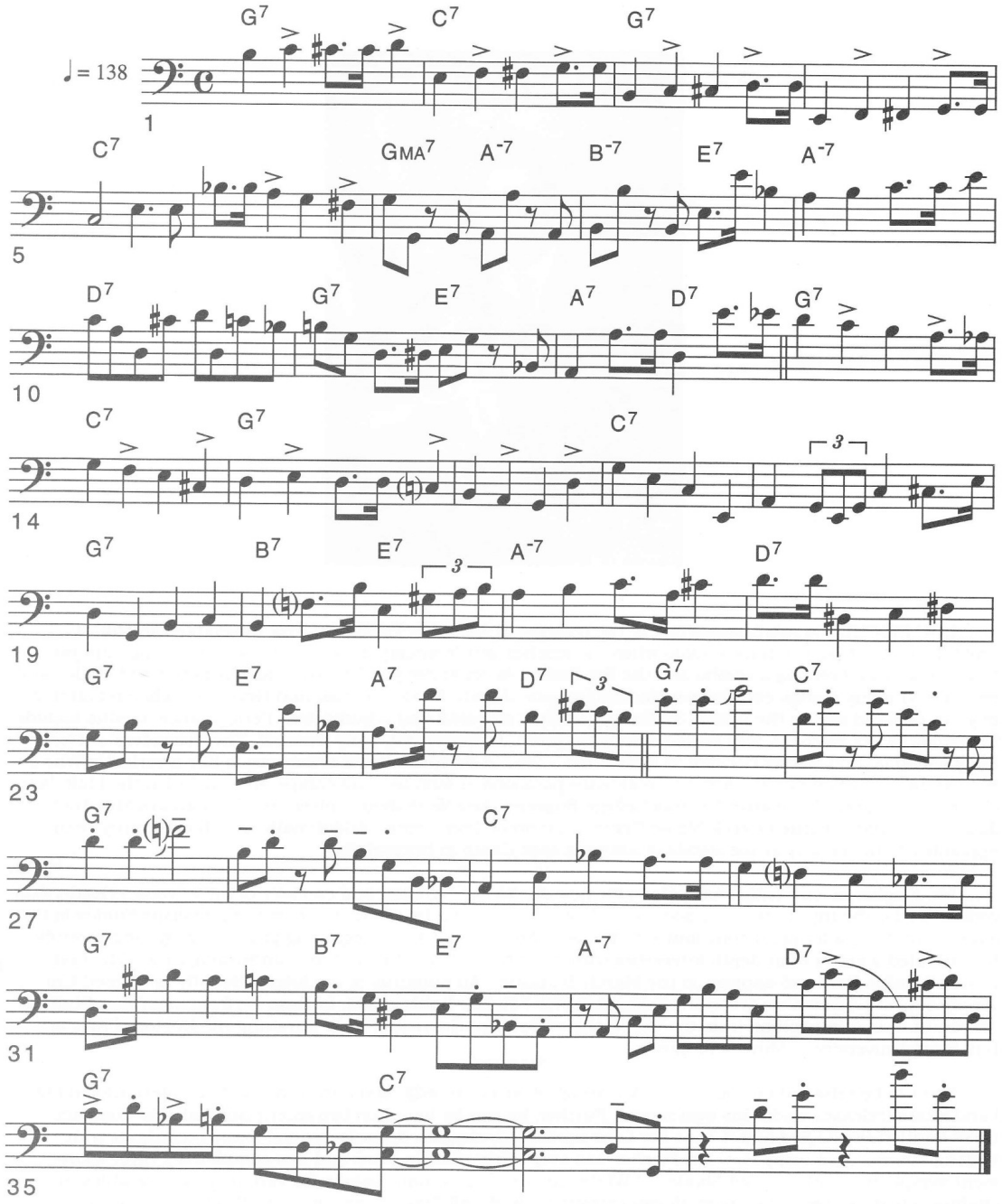
Bass (2027)

Mixolydian Scales
Two of Bb, Eb, Ab, Db, Gb

Dorian Scales
Two of A, D, G, C, F

Chromatic Scale
Two octaves from Bb

Prepared Étude



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Big Band Audition

Drum Set (2027)

Styles

Perform 32 bars in the following styles:

- Swing
- Funk
- Samba

Prepared Étude

