AMEB Exam Cheat Sheet NB: this simply is a practise sheet to help with exam questions and answers.

A Mingus among us (Eric Baumgartner)

What does the title mean?

A Mingus among us is a jazzy/blues piece. Charles Mingus was a jazz double bassist and pianist.

What key is this in? A minor blues

Notation:

Play it cool! (Swing 8ths) - play this in a blues style, with quavers swung (played long/short)

Metronome marking - 132 crotchets per minute

4/4 - time signature - 4 crotchet beats per bar - simple quadruple time 4

Treble clef - notes in higher range are written here

Bass clef - notes in a lower range are written here

Stave/staff - the 5 lines and 4 spaces that music is written on

Barlines - divides the music into equal bars

Slurs - play legato (smooth and well-connected)

Staccato - play with a short and detached touch

Ledger lines - lines that are added to notes outside the staff

Double bar lines - denotes the end of the piece or section

Bar numbers - the small numbers found at the beginning of each line

Fingering - numbers below and above the notes to show which fingers to use

mp - mezzo piano - moderately soft

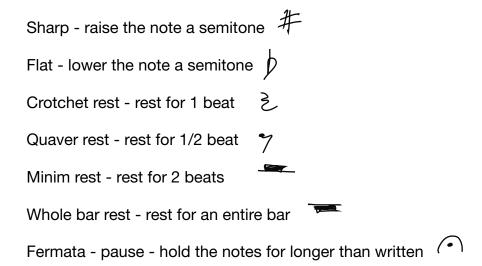
mf - mezzo forte - moderately loud

f - forte - loud

f - fortissimo - very loud f

Diminuendo - gradually getting softer

Crescendo - gradually getting louder



Also need to know the note names (eg ABCDEFG) and rhythmical values (eg crotchets, minims, semibreves, quavers, semiquavers etc).