



Primary Choral Festival 2020

Adjudication Form (Round 1)

Choir: School 3

Dear Choir,

I am delighted to tell you that your 'larger than life' performance has, without doubt, secured you a place in the next round of the competition. On behalf of Accent Music Education Hub, I want to thank you so much for this passionate and energetic performance, which I thoroughly enjoyed. The standard of singing across the primary schools this year was some of the best I have heard, and although places in the final are limited, you have sailed right through! Very well done to you all. You should all be very proud of your fantastic efforts.

I have made a few notes below, about your performance, which may be of use to you when preparing for the next stage, whenever that might be. You are definitely on the right track though, so keep doing what you do, and thank you so much for sharing this amazing work.

Tone: You have such a unique and authentic sound. It is completely original and very distinctive. I loved this about your performance from the onset.

Intonation: Excellent. You stayed in tune and you were not tempted to force your voices or shout on any occasion, even though the piece was lively. This is a real skill to master, so very well done indeed.

Rhythm: Rhythms were precise and well articulated and a strong sense of pulse was evident in the performance. Very well done here. You listened well and the attack and release of each phrase was accurate.

Diction: The text was well projected and the lyrics were conveyed with real emotion and pride.

Interpretation: Your performance was energetic and enthusiastic. It was a real treat to hear such a unique entry. Well done. Perhaps there is an opportunity for you to develop the use of dynamics within your performance. The repeated "you know you could" sections might be a good place to experiment with this, perhaps beginning quietly and gradually getting louder as you repeat each phrase, thus adding interest and shape to this section.

Ensemble: The choir has a unique sound, combined with a real sense of attack and energy. You chose an unusual and challenging piece, which you handled bravely and with confidence. The balance of voices in the 2-part harmony section was excellent and you performed your song choice with maturity and confidence.

Communication: I hope that you have the opportunity to bring this to the stage. I am sure that you would be incredible live.

Final Comments: You and your teachers should both be very proud of all of the commitment and hard work that you have given to this project. Congratulation on achieving a well-deserved place in the final.

Best Wishes

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