Modern Jazz (MUS 365)
Study Guide

Bird Lives
1. Who wrote Bird Lives?
2. What band did he record Hootie Blues?
3. In what band did he first play with Dizzy Gillespie?
4. What was Lennie Tristano's quote about Bird?
5. Who was Dean Benedetti?
6. Who was nicknamed the “President”?
7. Who was nicknamed “Albino Red.”?
8. Name five clubs associated with bebop in New York in the 1940’s and 50’s.
9. Who was Billy Shaw?
10. Describe, in detail (i.e., within a week), the incidents leading up to Charlie Parker’s death.

To Be of Not to Bop
1. Who wrote To Be…?
2. Where and when was Dizzy born?
3. Where did he first learn to play piano?
4. What was Diz’s first big band called?
5. With what band did he first record his Little John Special?
6. Name Diz’s first bebop quintet at the Onyx Club.
7. What city was Dee Gee records found?
8. Name the members of Dizzy Gillespie’s big band of the late 1940’s.
9. Who was most influential in Diz’s affinity for Latin-American music?
10. Who had influenced Diz’s concept of jazz rhythm the most?