



Drama GCSE

Course: Drama GCSE

Length of Course: 2 Years

Number of Lessons per fortnight: 5

Assessment: The AQA Drama consists of one practical components which is teacher assessed, externally moderated, one practical externally examined script component and one externally examined written paper.

The course is made up of three components with 40% practical work and 60% written.

Component 1: Understanding Drama

- Knowledge and understanding of Drama and theatre
- Study of a set text
- Analyse and evaluate a live theatre performance

Written examination: 1 hour 45 minutes

40% of the qualification – 80 marks

Component 2: Devising Drama

- The written work can be a combination of handwritten, typed evidence and recorded/verbal evidence
- Devising log (60 marks)
- Devised performance (20 marks)

80 marks in total

40% of GCSE

Component 3: Texts in practice

- Students will perform in two key extracts from a performance text.
- Teacher will choose the text and help you prepare your identified extract to be performed.

Performance of Extract 1 (20 marks) and Extract 2 (20 marks)

40 marks in total

20% of GCSE

Content overview

- Practical exploration and study of one complete performance text
- Students will evaluate and analyse their response to a West End Production
- Students may take the set text into the exam to support them.

What Careers might be open to me?

Administrator/General Manager
 Special Needs Worker - Freelance
 Youth and community worker
 Theatre in Education
 Personal manager
 Social worker
 Journalist – Literary agent
 Marketing manager
 Director of PR marketing
 News reporter
 Theatre administrator
 Box Office manager
 Front of House
 Lighting designer



Stage manager
 Actress
 Arts Administrator
 Drama Teacher - Lecturer
 Drama Therapist
 Television production assistant
 Radio Presenter
 Theatre director
 Any job within the Media field
 Presenting
 Journalism Make-up artist
 Costume design
 Set building
 Set design
 Editor