

Home Study for Drama Department

S1/2

Rationale

Students will be given home study tasks in S1/2 to consolidate learning in class and to build on their knowledge of Drama in all its forms.

What type of activity?

Students will be required to practise learning drama vocabulary at home on a regular basis.

How often and for how long?

Tasks will usually be set weekly and should take approximately 20 minutes per week.

S3

Rationale

Students will be given home study tasks in S3 to build skills and develop their wider knowledge and appreciation of Drama forms and vocabulary. Students are also expected to attend theatre trips organised by the Drama department, many of which are free of charge.

What type of activity?

Students will be required to practise learning drama vocabulary at home on a regular basis. There will also be folios to be completed at the end of each performance unit.

How often and for how long?

We would recommend that students spend at least 20 minutes per week learning vocabulary. This could easily be split up into 10 minute sessions. If folios are completed as an ongoing task, they should take no more than 15 minutes, 3 times a week whilst the performance unit is being worked on.

S4-6

Rationale

Students will be given home study tasks in S4-6 to build skills and develop their wider knowledge and understanding of Drama and the theatre. Students are also expected to attend theatre trips organised by the Drama department, many of which are free of charge.

What type of activity?

Students will be required to carry out independent research into themes and issues and the workings of a theatre. They will be given essays to complete on a regular basis as well as ongoing folios for each unit. They will also be required to revise their work on a regular basis and ensure that the knowledge gained in previous years is not forgotten. It will be necessary for Higher/Advanced Higher students to read and study plays throughout the session. In addition, there will be times when students are required to complete an evaluation of a theatre visit or a research or preparation task.

How often and for how long?

We would recommend that students spend 2-3 hours per week working on folios and research. Students in Higher and Advanced Higher also need to read regularly for around 20-30 minutes, 3-4 times per week. Additional work will require 2-3 hours per week.