

GCSE Drama

What drama skills can I choose?

- Performer
- Designer (lighting, sound, set, costume, puppets)
- Performer and designer.

Do I need drama experience?

You could be someone with experience in drama, either performing or participating in clubs, or someone with artistic and design skills, or someone who has not had much experience in this subject, but is willing to learn and improve.

What is the practical work?

- A production of devised work in performance in Year 10 in a performance to an invited audience. You will work as a performer or a designer/technician. (10%)
- Scripted work at the end of Year 10/beginning of Year 11. You will work as a performer or a designer/technician. You can take on a different role from the first production.
- Practical examination in Year 11 (scripted) From your work in Year 10, you will choose the **best** discipline for you either as a performer or designer/technician. This will be in the form of a performance in front of an invited audience and examiner. (20%)

What is the written aspect of the course?

- A written examination in Year 11. This will consist of: answering multiple choice questions about roles and responsibilities in the theatre; writing about how a scene from the studied text can be realised in performance (either design or performance); writing about a theatrical production (40%)
- A written log and evaluation of the devised work in year 10. (30%)

What are the class sizes?

The class sizes vary, but are usually no more than 15. This means a lot of support for you in either acting or theatre design.

How will GCSE Drama help me in the future?

Whichever option you choose, you can be sure to gather many invaluable skills, both theatrical and transferable, to expand your horizons. You will learn to collaborate with all others in the class, think analytically and evaluate effectively. You will gain the confidence to pursue your own ideas, reflect and refine your efforts.