

# Drama

- Creativity • Collaboration • Form • Conventions • Style
- Practitioners • Characterisation • Naturalism • Melodrama

Are you creative? Imaginative? Hard working? Want to develop your performance skills? Enjoy going to the theatre? Do you like telling stories? Do you enjoy being on stage? Are you a team player? Do you like making new things? Do you enjoy writing about your ideas? Are you organised and self-motivated?

Answered yes to most of these? Then Drama is for you!

## The course

The Drama course has 3 components:

**Devising** - where you make a new piece of theatre from scratch and write a log to show how you made it (40%)

**Performing a script** - where you choose two sections from one play, create a character, learn your lines and perform for a visiting examiner (20%)

**Written exam** - where you're asked questions about the theatre industry, set text *Blood Brothers* and you write a review on a live piece of theatre you have seen (40%)



- Interpretation • Masks • Puppets • Physical Theatre • Set Texts
- Performance • Lighting • Sound • Costume and Make-up

## FAQs

**What is the weighting of theory vs. practical?**  
70% theory, 30% practical.

**Isn't Drama the easy option?**

No! Far from it! If you have the right attitude and skill set then Drama is certainly enjoyable but do not be fooled into thinking it's not challenging. You have to work hard to achieve a good grade and 70% of your mark is based on your log and the written exam. The 30% practical is challenging too - you have to learn lines, attend extra rehearsals and be organised. But hard work pays off and if you put the effort in you will create theatre to be proud of.

**What will I gain from studying Drama?**

Drama enables learners to develop in depth knowledge and understanding of the theatre industry as well as a whole host of invaluable life skills. You'll develop the ability to work effectively as part of a team, collaborate with others, problem solve, think creatively, experiment with ideas, manage your time, critically analyse, articulate your ideas and opinions in writing and present yourself with confidence in front of an audience.

