

## Drama IGCSE

### What do you do in drama at GCSE?

During the two-year course you will explore a range of texts that vary from contemporary post 2000 to classical works. In addition you will learn how to refine your craft as a performer and develop your creativity by devising your own works. You will explore several practitioners over the duration of the course which will develop your understanding of performance style and the culture of theatre.

### How much practical do you do in Drama?

The course is split up into two components that are formally assessed.

**Component 1** is a written exam that requires you to explore a set text and analyse your own devised piece from a pre-released set stimulus. This equates to **40%** of your final IGCSE grade.

**Component 2** is the practically assessed aspect of the course and this requires the submission of a scripted piece, devised piece and a repertoire (Monologue). This equates to **60%** of your final IGCSE.

### Is there any coursework in Drama?

As we have changed to IGCSE Drama, you are no longer required to submit any written coursework. The coursework element is actually your practical performances. This means you will be required to commit extra time to ensure you have provided enough working hours on your performance pieces.

**Is Drama a subject just for people who want to become an actor?**

Not at all! The subject of Drama develops a range of transferable skills that you can use in everything you do. It is a course that will improve your interpersonal skills, your collaboration with others, your confidence to present and the ability to become a leader.

The subject also covers the technical aspects of the theatre such as lighting and sound and how this effects performance. Moreover, you will develop a psychological understanding of human behavior from the skills you learn both on stage and backstage.



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