

Why Drama?

Drama gives you the opportunity to use your imagination and express yourself in a creative and practical way. It helps you to develop important skills such as problem solving, communication, planning and creative thinking. It is particularly suitable for those who love being creative, getting their ideas across in a dramatic way and communicating their ideas with others

Course Outline

Drama is a practical, hands-on subject that develops your creativity and imagination, and your artistic skills. You will learn how the use of voice, language and movement can develop your ideas for drama. Also, you will learn the skills and techniques involved in planning, producing and presenting drama. You will also find out how actors and writers work, and how the environment and culture affect their work.

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Details of Course Components

THEATRE PRODUCTION: TEXT IN CONTEXT

In this part of the course you study a selected text from the perspective of a director, an actor or a designer preparing for an intended production.

THEATRE PRODUCTION: APPLICATION

In this part of the course you study a selected text from the perspective of a director and designer preparing for an intended production of your selected text.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

In this part of the course you are asked to give a performance analysis of a theatrical performance that you have seen live or recorded. The theatrical performance must have been presented in the past two years. You are asked to think about individual aspects of a production. The play you select for this performance analysis will be different from your previous selected text.

ASSESSMENT

The course assessment has two components:

- performance (60 marks—60% overall)
- examination question paper (50 marks—40% overall).

The question paper will assess your breadth of knowledge, understanding and skills accumulated across the course. The question paper will be set and marked by SQA. The performance will involve creating and presenting a drama. The question paper will require demonstration of a depth of knowledge and understanding from the course.

Your work will be assessed by your teacher on an on-going basis throughout the course.

The course assessment is graded A-D.



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Career Areas—Drama

- Theatre, Film, TV and Radio
- Teaching
- Communications and Media
- Design, Production and Writing

Courses in Turriff Academy

Higher Drama
National 5 Drama
National 4 Drama

Useful websites to help you with your choices:

www.myworldofwork.co.uk
www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Further advice and information on these options is available from your subject teacher, guidance teacher and careers adviser.