

## 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.

# DRAMA NATIONAL 4

## Details of Course Components

The course has **two** compulsory units, plus an **added value** unit that assesses your practical skills.

### Drama Skills

In this unit you will :

- develop your drama skills and ways of communicating thoughts and ideas to an audience
- learn how to respond to stimuli (things that prompt ideas for drama)
- develop your understanding of how to portray character
- learn about form, genre and style when creating and presenting drama structure,
- reflect on your own progress and that of others
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### Drama: Production Skills

In this unit you will:

- explore and develop your production skills and use these skills to present drama
- use problem solving skills in order to generate ideas for presenting drama

### Added value Unit: Drama Performance

In this unit you will :

- apply your production skills in a drama performance

## ASSESSMENT

Your work will be assessed by your teacher on an ongoing basis throughout the course. The course is not graded. You will be assessed as pass or fail.

You must pass all three units, including the added value unit, to gain the course qualification.

The added value unit will be assessed through a drama performance in which you create and present a drama.



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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](http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk)  
[www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk](http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk)

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