

What are the aims of this course?

Eduqas offers a broad course of study which enables students to apply knowledge and understanding when making, performing and responding to drama. Students will explore performance texts, looking into their social, cultural and historical content, develop a range of theatrical skills and apply them to performances. Students will contribute to the theatrical performances working collaboratively to generate ideas and evaluate their work and that of others. They will develop an awareness and understanding of the roles and processes undertaken in professional theatre practices.

What will I learn?

This is an exciting new course, learners will be given the opportunity to participate in and interpret their own pieces of drama. You will investigate various practitioners and styles of drama, work collaboratively to develop ideas to communicate meaning and experiment with dramatic conventions, forms and techniques to produce an original piece of theatre. You will also perform extracts from a play, learn how to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of drama including your ability to interpret texts for a performance. Students will learn how to review live performances for their written examination.

Course Outline

Unit Titles	Content	% Unit is Worth
C1	Devising Theatre	40%
C2	Performing from a Text	20%
C3	Interpreting Theatre Written exam	40%

Progression and Career Opportunities

College courses: A Level Drama and Theatre Studies. BTEC Diploma in Performing Arts (Acting).

What jobs can I do if I achieve a GCSE in this subject: Most actors require agents to help them succeed in the industry, qualifications are not always necessary. Careers in the performing arts industry could be an option by studying GCSE Drama. Other careers include: teaching, education and outreach in the creative arts, funding officer, marketing and publicity in the creative arts, lighting and sound technician and many others.

Further Information

Frequently asked questions:

Will I have to perform in front of an audience? Yes.

Will I need to take part in extra-curricular activities?

Yes, either within the course or for school productions. You must be willing to give up time after school.

Will I need to complete a lot of written work? Yes, you will complete a portfolio evidencing the creation of your group performance work, and you will create revision notes for your written examination.

<http://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/drama-and-theatre/gcse/>

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