



Getting Ahead – Pre-course Work

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Drama & Theatre Studies A Level

Welcome to **Drama & Theatre Studies A Level**. In preparation for the start of the course, please complete these tasks and have them with you to hand in during your first week of college in September.

These tasks should take you approximately four and a half hours to complete and are designed to give you an introduction to the subject, and the expectations we have for you to complete at least four and a half hours of independent study, per subject, per week.

Solo Performance

Contemporary Performance Monologue

We would like you to select a contemporary play written after 1980 which interests you as a performer and demonstrates your personal interest in dramatic material.

Once you have chosen the play please select, learn, and rehearse a 2-minute (approx.) monologue to perform to your new group in the first 2 weeks of term.

This is a fantastic opportunity to demonstrate your skills and performance styles. Some students find the prospect of performing to the group nerve wracking but by doing this first activity it equals everyone in the group and has proven to be an enriching and positive experience in the past. This should feel like a positive start to the course so please select a piece which you are interested and engaged in through the character, subject matter or writing style. Please select material that demonstrates you positively as a performer and be prepared to discuss the reason for your choice, the play you have chosen it from and the character you are playing.

Good luck developing your performance and we look forward to seeing you and the performances at the start of the course.

Equipment

Clothing suitable for movement work

Pen and notebook (although you will be provided with a workbook)

You will be provided with copies of your set texts at the start of the course

You will be provided with access to Drama Online – log in and password when you start the course

You will be provided with a link to a reading list once you are listed on the course