

Spelling list: GCSE Drama: Performing 1

Key words for GCSE Drama.

stage	The stage is the floor or raised platform that actors perform on.
right	Stage right is the right-hand side of the stage from the performer's perspective..
left	Stage left is the left-hand side of the stage from the performer's perspective.
downstage	Downstage is the part of the stage nearest the audience.
upstage	Upstage is the part of the stage furthest from the audience.
centre	Centre stage is the centre of the stage.
enter	Enter indicates a character's entrance onto the stage.
exit	Exit indicates a character's exit from the stage.
levels	Levels are the positioning of characters onstage to show their relative status.
energy	Energy is the commitment and enthusiasm a performer brings to their role.
corpse	To corpse is to laugh involuntarily and break character.
prompt	A prompt is a short cue used when an actor has forgotten their lines.
stance	Stance refers to the standing position of a character.
stereotype	A stereotype is a common but oversimplified portrayal of someone.
understudy	An understudy learns the part of a key character in case the main actor cannot perform.
reactions	Reactions are how a character responds to others.
aside	An aside is a moment when the character speaks to the audience.