

DRAMA AND THEATRE STUDIES SUMMER TASK

Over the Summer, please go to the theatre, any theatre, and watch a drama production.

Make notes on:

- What the play is about
- Who the main characters are
- The themes and issues addressed in the play
- Costume – and what it might symbolise
- Set - and what it might symbolise (this includes use of projection)
- Lighting – how it enhances the ideas in the scenes
- Sound – how it creates atmosphere and tension for the audience
- Acting – how gestures, facial expressions, vocal expression, movement and space are used to help tell us the story, subtext and character traits.
- How movement is used to tell the story.
- For each of these, try and analyse what the director wanted you to understand about the themes, characters and subtext. Get into the habit of analysing everything you see, this will be a key skill for the course.