

Elementary Drama & Performance Knowledge

Drama & Performance · Answer Key · 18 Questions

1. What is the term for the space where actors perform for an audience?

- A) Dressing Room
- B) Auditorium
- C) Stage**
- D) Green Room

2. Which of these is a tool actors use to convey emotions and personality without speaking?

- A) Costume
- B) Props
- C) Set Design
- D) Facial Expression**

3. What do we call a person who writes plays for the theatre?

- A) Actor
- B) Director
- C) Playwright**
- D) Stage Manager

4. Which element of performance involves using your body to tell a story or show a character's feelings?

- A) Vocalisation
- B) Movement**
- C) Costume
- D) Lighting

5. What is the primary purpose of a 'prop' in a play?

- A) To create sound effects
- B) To be worn by actors
- C) To be held or used by actors**
- D) To change the scenery

6. When an actor speaks lines directly to the audience, what is it called?

- A) Monologue
- B) Dialogue
- C) Aside
- D) Soliloquy**

7. What is the main job of a theatre director?

- A) To build the set
- B) To design the costumes
- C) To guide the actors and bring the play together**
- D) To sell tickets

8. What is the name for a short speech made by one character, often revealing their inner thoughts?

- A) Duologue
- B) Ensemble
- C) Soliloquy**
- D) Chorus

9. Which of these is responsible for creating the clothes actors wear?

- A) Lighting Designer
- B) Set Designer
- C) Sound Designer
- D) Costume Designer**

10. What is 'blocking' in theatre?

- A) The audience's applause
- B) The actors' movements and positions on stage**
- C) The playwright's notes
- D) The sound effects used

11. What is a 'scene' in a play?

- A) A single character's speech
- B) A section of the play where the action takes place in one location and time**
- C) The entire story of the play
- D) The audience's reaction

12. What does the term 'genre' refer to in drama?

- A) The actors' names
- B) The type or category of the play**
- C) The music used in the play
- D) The director's favourite colour

13. What is the 'cue' for an actor?

- A) The end of the play
- B) A signal to speak a line or perform an action**
- C) The audience's laughter
- D) The stage lights turning off

14. Which element of drama uses light and shadow to create mood and focus attention?

- A) Sound
- B) Costumes
- C) Lighting**
- D) Props

15. What is 'pantomime' in performance?

- A) Acting with spoken words
- B) Acting using only gestures and facial expressions**
- C) Singing the entire play
- D) Dancing without music

16. What is the name for the spoken conversation between two or more characters in a play?

- A) Monologue
- B) Soliloquy
- C) Dialogue**
- D) Proclamation

17. What is the 'set' of a play?

- A) The actors' costumes
- B) The words written in the script
- C) The scenery and furniture on the stage**
- D) The music played during the performance

18. What is the main purpose of 'voice projection' for an actor?

- A) To whisper secrets
- B) To be heard clearly by the entire audience**
- C) To speak very quickly
- D) To only speak in a monotone