

Foundations of Drama and Theatre

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1. Which ancient civilization is credited with the origins of Western theatre in the 6th century BCE?

- A) Ancient Rome
- B) Ancient Greece**
- C) Ancient Egypt
- D) Ancient Persia

2. What is the term for the 'fourth wall' in a theatrical performance?

- A) The curtain that hides the stage
- B) The imaginary barrier between the actors and the audience**
- C) The back wall of the stage scenery
- D) The structural support for the stage lights

3. Who is the famous English playwright credited with writing 'Hamlet', 'Macbeth', and 'Romeo and Juliet'?

- A) Christopher Marlowe
- B) George Bernard Shaw
- C) William Shakespeare**
- D) Oscar Wilde

4. In theatre terminology, what is a 'monologue'?

- A) A long speech by one actor**
- B) A conversation between two actors
- C) A play with only one scene
- D) A dance sequence

5. What is the main purpose of a 'playwright'?

- A) To direct the actors
- B) To design the stage sets
- C) To write the script of a play**
- D) To manage the theatre's budget

6. Which famous theatre in London is historically associated with William Shakespeare?

- A) The Royal Opera House
- B) The Old Vic
- C) The Globe Theatre**
- D) The West End Theatre

7. What is the primary role of a stage manager during a live performance?

- A) Acting in the play
- B) Executing cues for lighting and sound**
- C) Writing the music
- D) Designing the costumes

8. In a theatre, what is the 'proscenium'?

- A) The backstage area for actors
- B) The front seating section only
- C) The arch or frame that separates the stage from the audience**
- D) The lighting equipment used to spotlight actors