Year 10

Timing	Unit Title	Key Question	Knowledge	Assessing understanding
Autumn 1	Acting Skills and techniques	How can an actor prepare?	 Developing performance skills and a secure understanding of how preparing will improve skills and communicating meaning to the audience. 	 How understanding is assessed Engagement with weekly activities Perform of scripted piece
	Component One Live theatre	How does an actor use their skills to communicate meaning	 Developing analytical and evaluative skills, understanding how theatre makers produce performance to communicate meaning, EDI – students watch many different plays, discussions about EDI based on those plays 	Skills Vocal Physical Spatial
				Assessment Point information Live theatre written essay marked
Autumn 2	Devising Component 2	How can you explore stimulus to develop ideas for performance?	 Students will be shown a variety of stimuli which they will explore through the prescribed AQA practitioner methods in order to develop ideas for performance EDI – students use their own background and understanding of their social, historical and political contexts to develop creative ideas collaboratively 	 How understanding is assessed Taking part in workshops exploring practitioners and styles Formulating ideas from stimuli Creating a performance with specific dramatic intentions for a chosen audience Creating characters Lead others in creating appropriate performance Perform in front of an audience Skills
				Epic theatre techniquesPhysical theatre techniquesResponding to stimuli

				 Collaborating Characterisation Physicality Vocal dynamics Directing Performing Assessment Point information Students write a reflective report (60 marks) Students will submit section 1 of the logbook this term (20 marks) Work in Progress mark for performance (20 marks)
Spring 1	Devising Component 2	How can you devise a performance collaboratively from your stimulus exploration?	 Students will use their exploration of their chosen stimuli and practitioner methods to develop a performance collaboratively EDI – students use their own background and understanding of their social, historical and political contexts to develop creative ideas collaboratively 	 How understanding is assessed Taking part in workshops exploring practitioners and styles Formulating ideas from stimuli Creating a performance with specific dramatic intentions for a chosen audience Creating characters Lead others in creating appropriate performance Perform in front of an audience
Spring 2		How can you rehearse and evaluate your final performance?	 Students will perform their devised pieces to an audience and write a logbook which describes, analyses and evaluates their process of devising a performance EDI – students use their own background and understanding of their social, historical and 	Skills Epic theatre techniques Physical theatre techniques Responding to stimuli Collaborating Characterisation Physicality

			political contexts to develop creative ideas collaboratively	 Vocal dynamics Directing Performing Assessment Point information Students write a reflective report. Students will complete Section 2 in Spring Term 1 (20 marks) and Section 3 in Spring Term 2 (20 marks). The whole logbook will be marked (60 marks) Performance of final piece (20 marks)
Summer 1	Component One Set text: 'Blood Brothers'	How can designers create meaning on the stage?	 Developing a secure understanding of the requirements of designers in the theatre. Exploration of how to answer the key exam questions. EDI – students explore social mobility through the play of 'Blood Brothers' 	 Completion of revision booklet with design ideas Answering exam style questions and completing re-writes Peer assessment Skills Explaining/Describing Justification Comprehension Research Assessment Point information Written assessment paper

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Summer 2	Exploration of texts Component 3: Text in	How can you apply performance techniques to	 Performance skills and rehearsal techniques to effectively portray a range of characters from the play. How understanding is assessed Performance of key extracts
	practice	a text?	 EDI – students are presented with a number of different plays from a wide variety of playwrights to choose the best option for themselves for their examined performance in Year 11 Skills Physical skills Vocal dynamic Facial expressions Use of space to create meaning Assessment Point information Not formal assessment