

St. Gregory's Catholic High School

Drama Y6 Activity Booklet





The Drama department at St Gregory's are very much looking forward to meeting you in September. Your Drama teachers will be Ms Chappel, Miss O'Connor or Miss Herridge. We have an exciting year planned for you when you arrive and will be working practically on building communication skills, group skills and performance skills (of course!).

Meanwhile, here are a few learning activities you can dip into:

- **Drama Matters!** Watch a 3 minute video of why Drama is so important (this is a great one for mums / dads and carers too) <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vitBBwxMn34</u>
- Take a tour of the UK's National Theatre <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oBV8pqN4MFs</u> (3 min 48secs)
- Any Matilda Fans? Take a backstage tour of Matilda the Musical! <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3hgBo33xZPk</u> (3 min 30 secs)
- Creative Tasks: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory appreciating theatre, script writing and performing (Activity instructions and worksheets included in this booklet) https://youtu.be/mIt1P2sD20I Theatre production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
- Learn about the very basics of understanding a script <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XJSKHwVYsvk</u> (17 minutes)
- **Create and write** about facial and body language (Activity worksheet included in this booklet)
- Learn Key Words and how to spell them (spelling list included)
- Learn adjectives to describe how an actor uses their body (adjective map included)

Scroll down for Activity Sheets. Enjoy!

We'll look forward to meeting you all soon.

Theme: Charlie and Chocolate Factory

Complete <u>one</u> of the tasks listed below. You can choose a creating, appreciation or performance task.

Appreciation- Option 1	Intention: Develop ability to critically analyse performance works. Task 1: Watch at least 40 minutes of the performance of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory: <u>https://youtu.be/mIt1P2sD20I</u> Task 2: Complete the attached appreciation sheet and makes notes on: the plot, characters, skills required by performers and physical setting. Task 3: Bring into school in September
Performing – Option 2	Intention: Develop application of performance skills Task 1: Read Wonka's Monologue (attached) and develop a performance of it. You must demonstrate: Memorisation, characterisation, effective use of voice (expression, clarity and projection), remaining focused and in role. Task 2: Perform this to a family member and either ask them to record it and bring it into school in September or ask them to give you a WWW and EBI based on the criteria above.
Creating -Option 3	Intention: Develop ability to creatively respond to a brief. Task 1: Plan a script which involves a character winning a golden ticket to their favourite place. Consider: Where this place might be, how you can visualize this for the audience and how you will incorporate stage directions. Task 2: Write a script which involves a character winning a golden ticket to their favourite place Task 3: Perform this with a family member and record it and bring it into school in September. If possible, please use a plain background if you are recording.

<u>Option 1: Drama Appreciation Sheet – Charlie and The Chocolate Factory</u> <u>https://youtu.be/mIt1P2sD20I</u>					
Summary of the plot	Characters				
	Character Summarise the character in 20 words.				
	Charlie				
	Willy Wonka				
	Violet				

Performance Skills used			Physical Setting
Skill	Is it used?	When is it used?	List the props used in the performance.
Facial Expression			Describe (or draw) Wonka's costume
Vocal Expression			Describe (or draw) another character's costume
Action/Gesture			Explain how Wonka's costume compliments his character

Option 2 - Performing Task – Wonka's Monologue

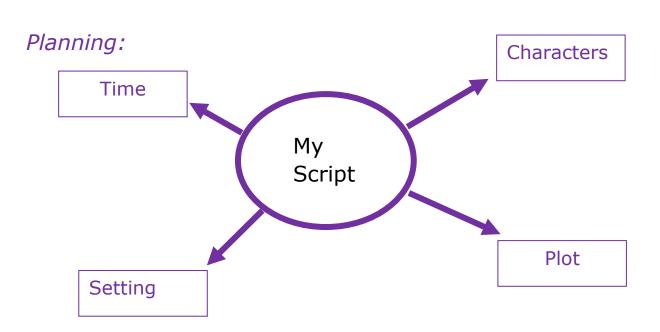
WONKA

"Bless you Charlie, you did it! You did it!!! I created this contest with one purpose in mind. To find the perfect person to make new candy dreams come true. This was a test of character Charlie. I carefully selected rooms that would tempt each of our Golden Ticket winners. You, Charlie, did something quite remarkable. You gave in to temptation, you were smart enough not to get caught- and yet, you admitted your guilt. Charlie, do you love my Factory? Because from this moment on, it's yours!"

- 1. Think about the volume and tone of voice you could use for different lines.
- 2. Plan for gesture and movement to show Willy Wonka's excitement
- 3. <u>Remember to put pauses in</u>, to allow time for developing facial expressions and gesture. Are there any lines that you would say very quickly/slowly?
- 4. Perform for family members and send your recording to your drama teacher via Class Charts or email. OR write down the feedback from your family and send to us.

Good Luck!

Option 3 – Creating Task



My Script:

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WRITING IN DRAMA — Adjectives to describe acting skills

VOICE						
PITCH	PACE	VOLUME	TONE	ACCENT		
High, Low, Squeaky, Husky, Deep, Whiny,	Fast, Slow, Halting, Abrupt, Stuttering, Stilted, Hesitant,	Soft, Quiet, Loud, Whisper, Shout.	Harsh, Gentle, Forceful, Sarcastic, Firm, Trusting, Derogatory, Cold, Angry, Persuasive, Authoritative, Proud, Assertive, Submissive, Sly, Abrasive, Quivery, Warm, Cheeky, Anxious,	Northern, West Country, Cockney, Upper Class British, Scottish, Irish, Australian, Scouse, Geordie, Canadian,		
Croaky, Brittle, Grating, Gravely.	Controlled.		Seductive, Enthusiastic, Timid, Assured, Cautious, Fierce, Fond, Nervous, Joking, Sensitive.	American.		

FACIAL EXPRESSION			KEY WORDS	BODY LANGUAGE				
EMOTION	EYES	EYEBROWS	MOUTH	Actor, Appropriate, Atmosphere,	POSTURE	GESTURE	GAIT	MANNERISMS
Happy, Cheerful, Upset, Hurt, Eager, Anxious, Untrusting, Fearful, Rejected, Smug, Defiant, Distressed, Thoughtful, Sly, Seductive, Distraught, Spiteful, Aggressive, Friendly.	Wide, Glaring, Squinting, Teary, Hopeful, Suspicious, Tightly shut.	Raised, Lowered, Furrowed, Inquisitive, Frown.	Opened, Jaw-dropped, Closed, Smile, Quivering, Lip-biting, Pursed lips, Clenched.	Audience, Believable, Character, Creativity, Dialogue, Effect, Emphasise, Genre, Impact. Improvisation, Interaction, Interpretation, Melo-dramatic, Monologue, Non-naturalistic, Original, Performance, Piece, Naturalistic, Physical, Rehearsal, Scene, Status, Tension, Tone.	Upright, Tight, Slouched, Relaxed, Grotesque.	Clenched fists, Pointing, Open-handed, Closed, Strong, Measured, Hesitant, Energetic.	Rapid, Sluggish, Gentle, Smooth, Direct, Rushed, Purposeful, Hasty.	Twitchy, Decisive, Indecisive, Formal, Jerky, Secretive, Wild, Controlled, Dismissive, Aggressive, Nervous, Informal.

IMPACT						
ATMOSPHERE	AUDIENCE RESPONSE	BELIEVABILITY				
Tense, Dangerous, Intriguing, Awe, Amazement, Anticipation, Surprising, Shocking,	Applause, Laughter, Sympathy, Anger, Disappointment, Anti-climax, Amusement, Admiration, Distaste, Contempt,	Natural, Believable, Realistic, Exaggerated.				
Awareness of Society, Comic, Pathos.	Delight, Horror, Empathy, Irritation.					

Learn Key Words and How to Spell them

drama	mime		
applause	project		
freeze	expression		
rehearse/rehearsal	voice /vocal		
character/characteristics	choral		
improvise	rostra		
role	slow motion		
costume	physical theatre		
inspire	devise		
scene/scenario	space		
curtain	levels		
lighting	director		
script	movement		
gesture	share		
thought-tracking	dramatise		
freeze-frame	perform/performance		
spotlight	exit		
entrance	position		
playwright	theatre/theatrical		
stage			

Learning Objective: Describing facial expression and body language

Happy Statue / Sad Statue / Scary Statue / Frightened Statue / Excited Statue