## The Warriner School Subject Curriculum Map

Subject: DRAMA Year Group: 13 Unit: COMPONENT THREE – Text in Performance

Unit objectives:

Written Examination; 2hour 30 minutes, 40% of overall GCE, 120 marks

Students are required to study two complete texts and one extract from a third contrasting text. Students are given the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge, understanding and skills in interpreting texts for performance in a written examination. They are encouraged to approach this component practically as an actor, designer and director, and as an informed member of a theatre audience. There is a requirement that students view a minimum of two live theatre productions to inform their understanding.

This component assesses:

Section A: 40 marks

A series of structured questions on a specified extract from the chosen set text from the post-1956 list. Learners should consider:

- interpretation of character (e.g., through motivation and interaction)
- vocal and physical performing skills including interaction
- how performance texts are constructed to be performed, conveying meaning through:
  - o structure
  - o language
  - o stage directions
  - o rehearsal techniques
- interpretation of design elements including:
  - o sound
  - o lighting
  - o set and props
  - o costume
  - o hair
  - o make-up

#### Section B: 40 marks

An essay question on the chosen set text from the pre-1956 list, demonstrating how the text can be adapted for a contemporary audience as actors, designers and directors. Learners should consider:

- the social, historical and cultural context of the text (e.g., the original performance conditions)
- the influence of contemporary theatre practice
- how performance texts are constructed to be performed, conveying meaning through
  - o structure
  - o language
  - o style of text



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- how live theatre, seen as part of the course, influences their decision making and understanding of how drama and theatre is developed and performed
- how the text approaches its theme

### Section C: 40 marks

A question on the specified extract from The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time exploring how the text can be performed in the theatre. Learners will be expected to approach the text as theatre performers, directors and designers. Learners should consider:

- the impact of different stages (proscenium arch, theatre in the round, traverse, and thrust)
- character positioning and movement/proxemics
- design elements including:
  - o sound
  - o lighting
  - o set and props
  - o costume,
  - o hair
  - o make-up
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## Context for study:

Over the course of the GCE students will study five texts that as a whole must represent a range of social, historical and cultural contexts and centres should consider carefully their choice of texts in all components to ensure they cover a range of contexts. Students have the opportunity to study as a performer, director and designer.

Sequence of learning: Knowledge content - list of statements of what students should know by progressing through this unit (identify key tier 2/3 vocabulary in **bold**)

- To know how to complete relevant RESEARCH that encapsulates HISTORICAL, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL CONTEXT; THEATRICAL PURPOSE AND PRACTICES; WORKING METHODS; THEATRICAL STYLE AND USE OF CONVENTIONS.
- To know how to **DEVELOP** ideas based on **RESEARCH**.
- To know how to plan a **PERFORMANCE SPACE** effectively to communicate meaning.
- To know how to create a **PRODUCTION CONCEPT** for each text that includes details of: **STAGING, LIGHTING, SOUND, SET, PROPS, COSTUME, HAIR & MAKE UP**
- To know and understand the text ACCIDENTAL DEATH OF AN ANARCHIST
- To know and understand the text MACHINAL
- To know and understand the text THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME
- To know how **DRAMATIC THEORY** can be linked to **PRACTICE**.
- To know how to **WRITE** concisely to ensure maximum opportunity to achieve marks

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- To know how to use and apply an exam board **MARK SCHEME** to ensure maximum opportunity to achieve marks
- To know how to **STRUCTURE** essay style answers
- To know the requirements and demands of each question on the exam paper, to

Possible Misconceptions and adaptive responses to these: *identified through formative assessment/retrieval practice/diagnostic questioning.* 

• SCHP of each text – identified through discussion/assessment and discussed as whole class.

Assessment/Final outcomes: *How will students apply their deep learning in a meaningful way that respects the subject's discipline?* 

• Identified through mock exams and practice questions – do students structure their answers in a way that is clear, organised and shows their knowledge of each text in answer to the question?

Literacy and Oracy development opportunities:

Details of high-quality texts, explicit vocabulary teaching, modelled writing, structured talk.

- Identifying difficult words during reading of texts and looking up 'live'
- Assessment & Feedback sheets whole class and personalised
- Walking Talking Mocks to model answers
- Q&A sessions regarding each section of the examination