

# GCE A Level Drama

**Unit Assignment Theme:** Drama and Theatre (Live Theatre)

**A Level Unit. Coursework**

Student Name:

Drama and Theatre Studies

**Duration:** Summer Holiday onwards. Teacher(s): Mr Austin/Ms Guyon

**Assignment aim:**

- To consider live theatre and how this can become part of a regular activity.
- To establish understanding of live theatre and the ways in which companies portray certain styles of performance.
- To begin effectively evaluating live theatre and ensuring appropriate terminology is used in your response.

**Tasks:**

1. Visit the theatre at least once within the holidays. There are many excellent performances locally that are extremely reasonable price wise
2. Write a theatre review (max 1000 words) based on a performance you have seen. Any performance will suffice. Consider the following key areas:  
- Staging – Set – Costume – Blocking – Characterisation – Audience Awareness – Style and how this contributed to the effectiveness – Lighting/Sound additions

Remember you will need to be prepared for September by having:

- Notebooks
- Be prepared to read to a deadline
- Be creative in your responses both practically and theoretically

Additional:

- Two set texts will be required to be purchased at a given point throughout the year