

Drama IGCSE – The British School Kathmandu. 2 Year Curriculum overview					
Year 10 Term 1 Aug-Oct	Year 10 Term 2 Oct-Dec	Year 10 Term 3 Jan-April	Year 10 Term 4 April-July	Year 11 Term 1&2 Aug-Dec	Year 11 Term 3 Jan-April
Skills	Skills	Skills	Monologues and Scripted	Practical examinations Exam preparation of Extract 1,2 and Devised	Component 1 External Exam
Students undertake practical tasks to build Monologue, scripted and devising skills ready for Year 11 assessment.  Students learn and revise key terminology for staging, voice and physicality and apply this to their practical work  Students learn key practical drama concepts such as: —  structure and plot — characterisation and role — dialogue — physicality — pacing — contrast and		Students study Ánimal Farm as mock component 2 Scripted and for Component 1 Mock examination.	Students choose their monologue and the teacher assigns scripts for Component 2. Students rehearse so that work is ready for assessment in Term 1 of Year 11.	Component 2: Students will complete 3 Practical examinations.	Students prepare for and sit Component 1.  Section A  An extract from a published play. Candidates should have studied the extract and explored it as practical theatre, investigating performing and

dynamics – tension – spatial awareness and	IGCSE options			staging opportunities.
proxemics • how actors, directors and designers	(January)	Y10 Mock (May/June)		The extract is supplied
respond to different styles and genres of drama				in the pre-release
<ul> <li>how choices made by actors, directors and</li> </ul>			Students are assessed	material where it is
designers can affect performances and			on:	identified as Extract 1.
audience responses • how actors, directors and				Up to eight
designers work within constraints, such as			a range of vocal and	short-answer and
available resources and performance space •			physical performance	extended response
how to use appropriate performance, technical			techniques • effective	questions. Marks per
and design vocabulary when writing about			use of performance	question range from 2
drama • how to communicate with an audience			space • creation of	to 10. Candidates
<ul> <li>reflect on and evaluate the effectiveness of</li> </ul>			role through	answer all questions
their own artistic choices as actor, director or			realisation of	(30)
designer • write critically about the process of			character • the ability	
bringing a piece of drama to a finished			to sustain role(s)	Section B
performance • analyse and evaluate their own			throughout a	An extract from a
performance including their contribution to the			performance • the use	different published
group			of pacing, tension and	play. Candidates
			emotional intensity in	should have studied
			performance • how to	the extract and
			communicate with the	explored it as practical
			audience through	theatre, investigating
			engaging performance	performing and
			• skills in	staging opportunities.
			individual/solo	The extract is supplied
			performance • skills in	in the pre-release
			working with others in	material where it is
			group performance •	identified as Extract 2.
			how to improve their	Candidates answer

own performance

two extended

				through rehearsal and	response questions.
				interaction	One compulsory
					question (10 marks)
					and one question from
				Sept/Oct: Exam Board	a choice of two (15
				releases the 2 extracts	marks). ( <b>25)</b>
				for the examination of	
				Component 1.	Section C
				Students study the	A devised piece that
				extracts alongside	candidates have
				their practical	developed and
				examinations.	performed to an
					audience. The
					pre-release material is
					not required for the
					devised piece –
					teachers choose the
					stimulus. Two
					extended-response
					questions. Candidates
					answer both questions
					(one is worth 10
					marks, the other 15
					marks). <b>(25)</b>
Playtexts/Styles of	Playtexts/Styles of	Animal Farm	Monologues and	Monologues, Scripted	Study and revision for
theatre/ Theatre	theatre/ Theatre		Scripted	and Devised	component 1
Companies taught:	Companies taught:				

Dr Faustus, Tell Tale Heart Technical theatre, Sculpture, Senses & What We Can See, Punchdrunk, Immersive Theatre, Theatre of Cruelty, Total Theatre	Study of Frantic Assembly, Brecht, Verbatim Theatre, Devising Original Drama				
Domains:	Domains:	Domains:	Domains:	Domains:	Domains:
Performance,	Performance,	Performance,	Performance,	Performance,	Performance,
Evaluation, Devising	Evaluation, Devising	Evaluation, Devising	Evaluation, Devising	Evaluation, Devising	Evaluation, Devising
Concepts: Voice, physicality, staging, set, lighting, sound, proxemics, monologues	Concepts: Voice, physicality, staging, set, lighting, sound, proxemics, monologues	Concepts: Voice, physicality, staging, set, lighting, sound, proxemics, monologues, textual analysis	Concepts: Voice, physicality, staging, set, lighting, sound, proxemics, monologues	Concepts: Voice, physicality, staging, set, lighting, sound, proxemics, monologues, scripted work	Concepts: Voice, physicality, staging, set, lighting, sound, proxemics, monologues, textual analysis

KEY TERMS: Action Chorus Comedy/tragedy Conflict/suspense/tension Contrast Devised drama (as intended by this syllabus\*) Devising process (as intended by this syllabus\*) Dialogue Ensemble Exposition, climax and resolution Genre/style (of plays and performance) Improvisation Mood/atmosphere Moment Pace/rhythm/tempo Plot/storyline Rehearsal process Script Status Structure Theme Theatre Transition Acting area Apron stage Arena stage Auditorium (and audience configuration) Blocking Design elements (lighting, sound, set, props, costume) Downstage/upstage End on staging Fourth wall Levels Props Proscenium (arch) Scene Scenery Set/setting Staging Theatre-in-the-round Thrust stage Traverse staging

Articulation Character and role Focus Gesture Inflection Interaction Language (including tone, accent, dialect) Mime Motivation Movement and spatial awareness (proxemics) Non-verbal expression Physicality Pitch, pause, pace Posture Status Vocal expression and projection

| Assessment Opportunities: All work assessed against Assessment   |
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| Objectives 1-3 CIE syllabus.   |
| AO1 Knowledge and understanding of repertoire Candidates demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the process of moving from script to performance, and can justify artistic choices as actor, director or designer. | AO1 Knowledge and understanding of repertoire Candidates demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the process of moving from script to performance, and can justify artistic choices as actor, director or designer. | AO1 Knowledge and understanding of repertoire Candidates demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the process of moving from script to performance, and can justify artistic choices as actor, director or designer. | AO1 Knowledge and understanding of repertoire Candidates demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the process of moving from script to performance, and can justify artistic choices as actor, director or designer. | AO1 Knowledge and understanding of repertoire Candidates demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the process of moving from script to performance, and can justify artistic choices as actor, director or designer. | AO1 Knowledge and understanding of repertoire Candidates demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the process of moving from script to performance, and can justify artistic choices as actor, director or designer. |
| AO2 Devising original drama Candidates demonstrate their ability to devise and   | AO2 Devising original drama Candidates demonstrate their ability to devise and   | AO2 Devising original drama Candidates demonstrate their ability to devise and   | AO2 Devising original drama Candidates demonstrate their ability to devise and   | AO2 Devising original drama Candidates demonstrate their ability to devise and   | AO2 Devising original drama Candidates demonstrate their ability to devise and   |

| evaluate their own original pieces of |
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| drama.                                | drama.                                | drama.                                | drama.                                | drama.                                | drama.                                |
| AO3 Performance                       | AO3 Performance skills                |
| skills Candidates                     | Candidates                            | Candidates                            | Candidates                            | Candidates                            | Candidates                            |
| demonstrate their                     |
| performance skills and                |
| their ability to                      |
| communicate                           | communicate                           | communicate                           | communicate                           | communicate                           | communicate                           |
| effectively with an                   |
| audience                              | audience                              | audience                              | audience                              | audience                              | audience                              |
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