

## Pearson Edexcel

## AS and A level Drama and Theatre

## AS qualification overview

Component	Content	Assessment
Component One: Exploration and Performance  △ △ 60% of qualification	Students explore an extract from a performance text in light of the work of a practitioner.  Students rehearse and refine their performance/design realisations for an assessed performance of this extract.  They record the exploration, rehearsal and creation process of this group performance in a portfolio and evaluate their contribution to it.  Students will also take part in a monologue or duologue performance of an extract from a different text.  Students rehearse and refine their performance/design realisations for an assessed performance of this extract.	Participation in a group piece and a monologue or duologue piece as a designer or a performer.  Individual portfolio.
Component Two: Theatre Makers in Practice  \$\times 40\% \text{ of qualification}\$	Students are audience members for a live performance.  They make and refine notes on the performance.  Students practically explore a chosen set text from List A, considering aspects of the performance and design of the text focusing on performance and design aspects  They practice responding to questions for both sections in examination conditions	Written examination: Section A: Live theatre evaluation (students can take in 500 words of notes). Section B: Page to Stage: Realising a Performance Text.



## A level qualification overview

Component	Content	Assessment
Component One: Devising	Students use an extract from a text and the work of a practitioner as a stimulus to create a devised performance, rehearsing and refining their performance/design realisations for an assessed performance.  They record and evaluate the exploration and rehearsal process of creating their devised performance, as well as the final performance.	Creation of and participation in group devised performance as a performer or designer Individual portfolio.
Component Two: Text in performance	Students create a group performance from a text, rehearsing and refining their performance/design realisations for an assessed performance.  They also create a monologue or duologue from another text, rehearsing and refining their performance/design realisations for an assessed performance.	Participation in monologue or duologue and a group performance as a performer or designer.
Component Three: Theatre makers in practice  △ ۵ 40% of qualification	Students are audience members for a live performance.  They make and refine notes on the performance.  Students practically explore a chosen set text from List A, focusing on performance and design aspects.  Students practically explore a second set text (this one from List B) in the light of a practitioner. For this text, students create a director's concept for a re-imagined production of the play.  They practice responding to questions for all three sections under examination conditions	Written examination:  Section A: Live theatre evaluation (students can take in 500 words of notes).  Section B: Page to Stage: Realising a Performance Text Section C: Interpreting a Performance Text

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