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## Level 2 Drama 2022

### 91215 Discuss a drama or theatre form or period with reference to a text

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Discuss a drama or theatre form or period with reference to a text.	Discuss a drama or theatre form or period with reference to a text showing informed understanding.	Discuss a drama or theatre form or period with reference to a text showing perceptive understanding.

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**You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.**

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To answer the questions in this paper, name the drama/theatre form or period you have studied, and ONE text from the form or period to which you will refer.

**Drama/theatre forms** include (but are not limited to):

- medieval theatre
- commedia dell'arte
- Elizabethan theatre
- epic theatre
- melodrama
- Greek theatre
- New Zealand theatre.

(If the text was not written as a script – as, for example, in commedia dell'arte – give brief details of the action.)

Drama/theatre form or period: _____ Title of the text/play (or brief details of the action): _____ _____ _____ Playwright/creator(s) (if applicable): _____
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**Features** of the drama/theatre form or period to which the questions refer may include:

- performance space (e.g. medieval use of pageant wagons)
- acting styles (e.g. the extravagant gestures of commedia dell'arte)
- themes or ideas (e.g. the Elizabethan wheel of fortune)
- conventions (e.g. use of asides in melodrama)
- use of technologies (e.g. mask in Greek theatre)
- historical/social context (e.g. the Great Depression in New Zealand theatre).

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**QUESTION ONE: Performance feature**

The term 'performance feature' refers to features of the drama/theatre form or period that are used in a performance for an audience.

Identify a performance feature typical of your chosen drama/theatre form or period:

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- (a) Describe how this typical performance feature would be used in a performance of the text. Give specific details from the text to support your answer. You may sketch and make annotations in the space below.

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**QUESTION TWO: Performance space**

(a) Describe the typical performance space used for a performance of the text.

You could consider:

- the shape and position of the acting space
- the shape and position of the audience space
- entrances and exits
- key pieces of set or staging.

Give specific details from the text to support your answer. You may sketch and make annotations in the space below.

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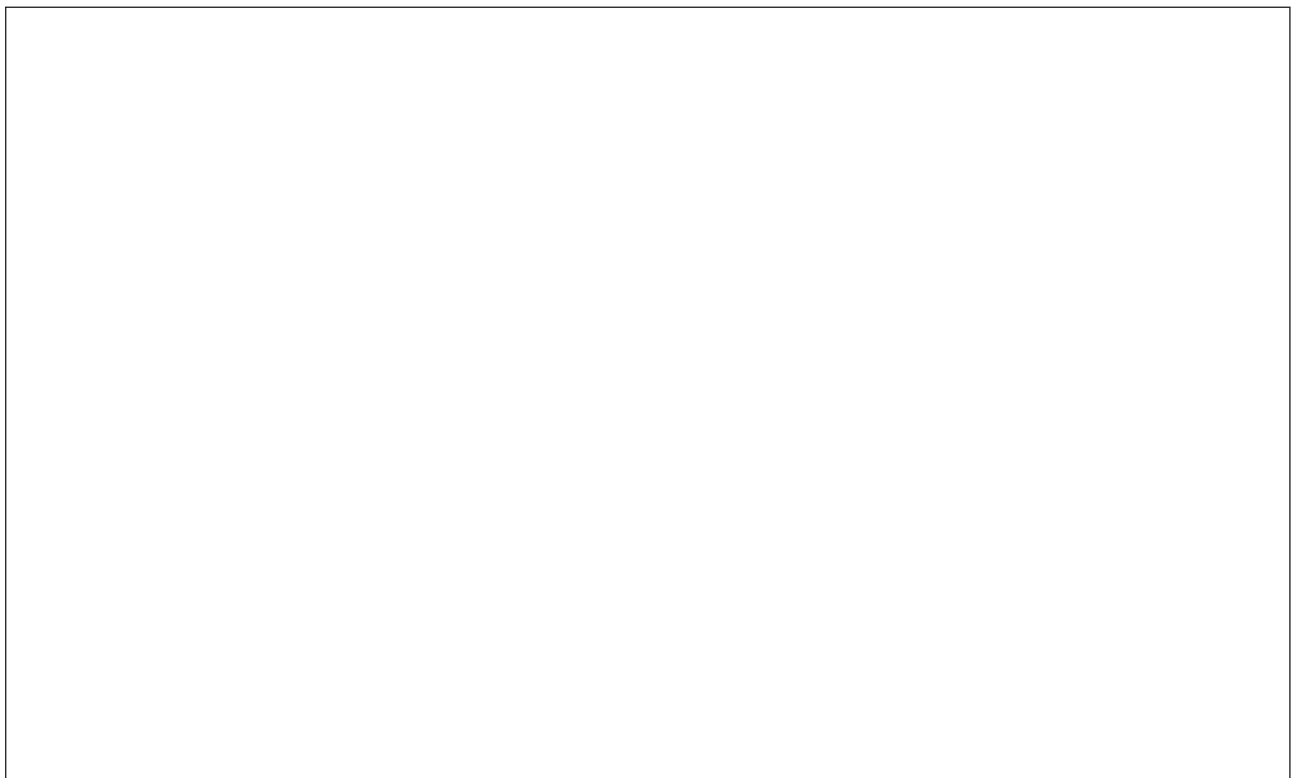
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**QUESTION THREE: A key intention of the form or period**

Identify a typical moment from the text that communicates a key intention of the drama/theatre form or period:

- (a) Describe the typical moment from the text. Give specific details from the text to support your answer. You may sketch and make annotations in the space below.

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