

How to Pass Drama



What is the exam?

Practical - 60%

The pupil chooses a production area to specialise in.

An external SQA examiner comes and watches the performances and grades each pupil individually.

Your performance is marked out of 50 and your prep for performance essay is out of 10.

Date: Week of 01/04/2019

Written - 40%

The pupil completes question and answer paper based on different elements of the course including previous performances, use of terminology and understanding of storylines/plays.

This is marked out of

Date: 23/05/2019



What is required at each level?

Nation 4/5

Pupils will present one practical piece to the examiner.

OR

Pupils will complete the design of one production area for a play their peers are performing in.

Higher

Pupils will present two contrasting practical pieces to the examiner.

OR

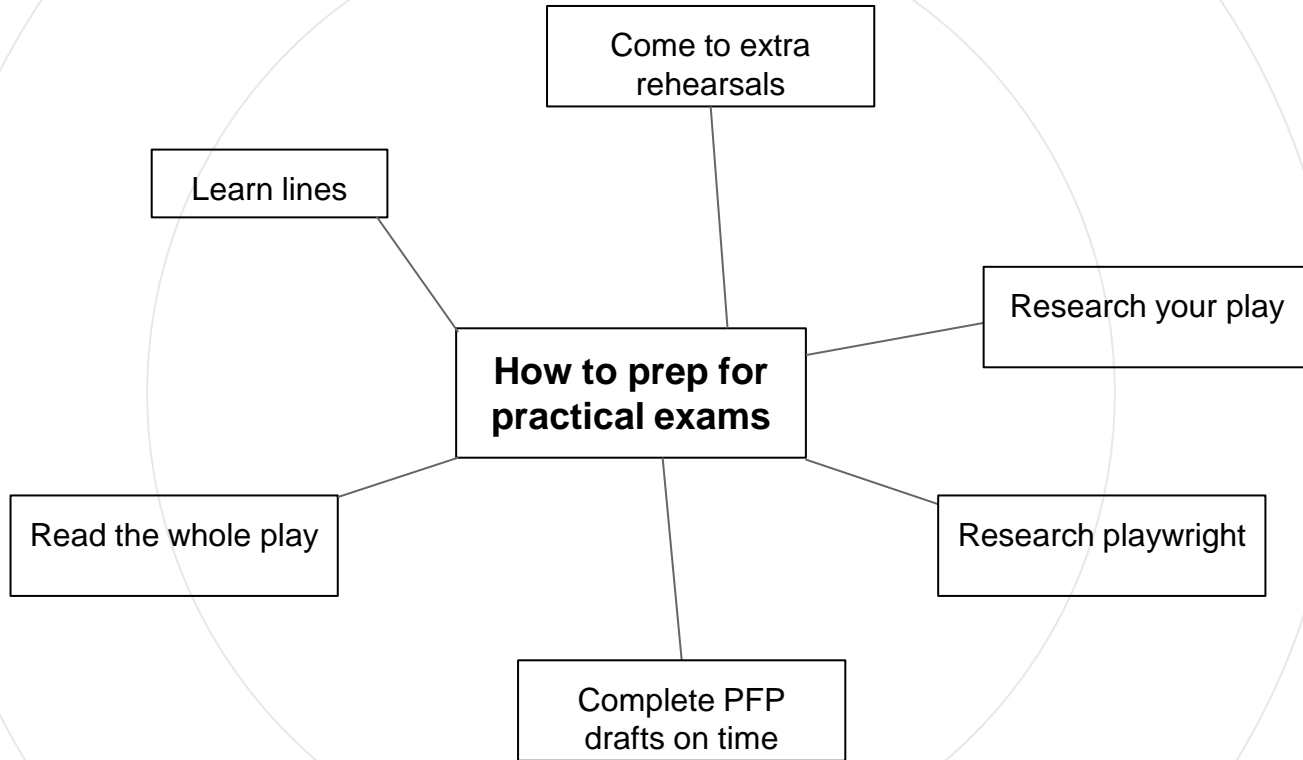
Pupils will come up with a design concept for a play they have chosen and present it to the examiner.

Adv. Higher

Pupils will present one monologue and one interactive performance to the examiner.

OR

Pupils will select one act of a play and create a design concept based on a practitioners work.



Nat 4



The National 4 course does not have a sit down written exam, however all candidates must complete a course work booklet in order to achieve a pass.

- Help to pass by:*
- *Helping complete coursework booklet at home.*

Nat 5



National 5 candidates will complete a two part written paper that lasts 1 hour 30 minutes.

The first section asks about a performance they have been involved in and the second asks them to come up with a storyline and talk about it.

Help to pass by:

- *Revising terminology*
- *Showing picture and asking to come up with storylines.*
- *Asking to describe their performances.*
- *Answer sample questions*

Higher

Higher candidates sit a three part written exam. This consists of one essay about a text that is studied throughout the year, one essay about a performance they have seen and a short answer section on use of production areas.

Help to pass by:

- *Helping memorise quotes from set text.*
- *Looking over past papers.*
- *Asking to describe lighting/sound/set in a performance they have seen.*

Adv. Higher

Adv. Higher candidates must complete a 3000 word dissertation on a topic of their own choosing. They must reference books, websites and practitioners work to support their ideas.

Deadline: 29/03/19

Help to pass by:

- *Making sure they set aside time to work on*
- *Asking about their topic and argument.*
- *Read over their work.*



**Any
Questions?**