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Level 1 Drama, 2019

90998 Demonstrate understanding of features of a drama/theatre form

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Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of features of a drama/theatre form.	Demonstrate informed understanding of features of a drama/theatre form.	Demonstrate perceptive understanding of features of a drama/theatre form.

Check that the National Student Number (NSN) on your admission slip is the same as the number at the top of this page.

You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–12 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

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INSTRUCTIONS

In this paper you are to discuss features of a drama/theatre form you have studied. Drama/theatre forms include (but are not limited to):

clowning
Greek theatre
commedia dell'arte
medieval drama
pantomime
Elizabethan theatre
melodrama
puppetry.

Read the questions carefully before you begin your answers.

Answer ALL of the questions using the same drama/theatre form.

Drama/theatre form you have selected:
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Features of the drama/theatre form to which the questions may refer include (but are not limited to):

- 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)
- purpose (e.g. medieval exploration of Bible stories)
- 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: CHARACTER/ROLE

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Choose a character or role that is typical of your chosen drama/theatre form.

- (a) Describe how the actor playing this character would typically use drama techniques in a key scene. You could consider:
 - use of voice, body, movement, and space

•	use of typical acting style their actions or reactions.								
You	ou may choose to support your response with a labelled sketch in the box below.								

•	key ideas being communicated	
•	relationships or interactions with other characters	
•	the emotional impact on the audience	
•	how a character reflects the society they are from.	

QUI	QUESTION TWO: TENSION						
Tension can be between characters, between characters and their environment, or between characters and an idea.							
dentify a moment of tension that is typical of your chosen drama/theatre form.							
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(a)	Describe how tension was created in this moment. You could consider: use of techniques and/or technologies use of the performance space the actor/audience relationship.						
	You may choose to support your response with a labelled sketch in the box below.	_					
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(b)

the communication of key themes, ideas, or messages	
the effect or result of the tension	
the intended response of the audience.	

QUESTION THREE: USE OF CONVENTIONS

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	f conventions are:			

Identify a convention typical of your chosen drama/theatre form that is used to communicate important information.

Describe how this convention would typically be used in a performance. You may choose
support your response with a labelled sketch in the box below.

•	audience understanding of character	
•	audience understanding of a key issue	
,	how the convention reveals values or beliefs of the society of the time.	
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