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Total marks — 40

SECTION 1 — 10 marks

Attempt ALL the questions based on a performance you have taken part in during the Drama course.

SECTION 2 — 30 marks

Select from the stimuli and attempt ALL the questions based on the chosen stimulus.

Write your answers clearly in the spaces provided in this booklet. Additional space for answers is provided at the end of this booklet. If you use this space, you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

Use **blue** or **black** ink.

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SECTION 1 — 10 marks

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Consider a performance you have taken part in during your Course as either an actor or in a production role.

Tick the box to indicate your role.

Actor ☐ Lighting ☐ Costume ☐ Set ☐

Props and set dressing ☐ Sound ☐ Make up and hair ☐

1. Choose the scene from your drama which you found most challenging.

(a) Give a brief description of this scene.

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(b) Explain why you found this scene to be the most challenging.

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(c) What did you do to overcome the challenge?

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(d) In your role as actor or part of the technical team how did you ensure that this scene worked as well as possible in the final performance?

If you were an **actor** you should comment on characterisation and performance concepts.

OR

If you were in a **production role** you should include comments on the design concepts.

You may use sketches/drawings to illustrate your answer. (Use the space provided on the following page).

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SECTION 2 — 30 marks

Choose **one** of the following stimuli to develop ideas for a drama. Your answers should be based on a piece of drama which **could** be created and performed to an audience.

Stimulus A



Stimulus B

Short extract from “Medea” by Liz Lochhead

That cry!
It was a cry we’ve heard
From the woman
Opening the door to the telegraph in wartime
The cry from the unquiet wife
Opening the door
To the chequered hats of two policemen
Late late on a foggy night
The cry from the mother in the hospital corridor
When she sees the doctor’s face

Stimulus C

“Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment”.

Buddha



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Tick (✓) the appropriate box to indicate which stimulus you have chosen to write about.

Stimulus A

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Stimulus B

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Stimulus C

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You should now READ ALL of the following Questions to guide your answers on your chosen stimulus.

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2. Who would be the ideal target audience for your drama?

Justify your answer.

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3. Explain in detail the drama which the audience would see.

In your answer you may include form, conventions used, genre and style of the piece.

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4. (a) Identify what you would consider to be the main theme or issue of your drama.

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- (b) Describe how you would develop this theme or issue in your drama.

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- (c) Explain how you might highlight this theme or issue through character relationships.

Discuss at least two characters from your drama.

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6. (a) Briefly describe a key moment in your drama. Explain your answer.

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- (b) As a director, in what ways would you direct the actors to use their voice **and** movement to help highlight this key moment?

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- (c) Which two production skills, from the list below, would you use to highlight the key moment you have discussed in Questions 6 (a) and 6 (b)?

Give reasons for your answer.

Costume

Make up

Props

Lighting

6

Production Skill 1 _____

Production Skill 2 _____

Total marks 12

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Stimulus B Short extract from “Medea” by Liz Lochhead



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