



Vocabulary

performance	bringing a script to life for an audience
play	a story that is performed and includes speech and action
script	the written words of a play that includes speech and stage directions
stage directions	the instructions in a script that tell the actors what to do
audience	a group of people who watch a play
rehearsal	a practise of a play where the actors can practise their lines and actions
facial expression	a way to show an emotion with just the face
body language	a way of communicating through movement and position
improvisation	an action that happens with no planning
voice projection	the skill of making the voice louder and clearer so the whole audience can hear it



Performance – Bringing Books to Life

Lots of books have been turned into plays, even the Ancient Greeks used to put on plays of well-known myths! Watching plays of well-known books allows the audience to experience the story in a new and exciting way!

the character
who is
speaking

Script Features

what is
happening on
stage

Jack and the cow come back onto the stage. He is leading his cow to market. He walks around the stage.

Jack: We are sorry to have to sell you, Daisy.

Cow: Moooooooo!

Jack: (stops, then points) Who's that coming towards us? He's dressed in very fine clothes. I don't think I've ever seen this man around here before!

the actions the
character
needs to do

what the
character is saying

Facial Expressions



surprised



angry



tired



nervous



BASIC STAGE DIRECTIONS

