

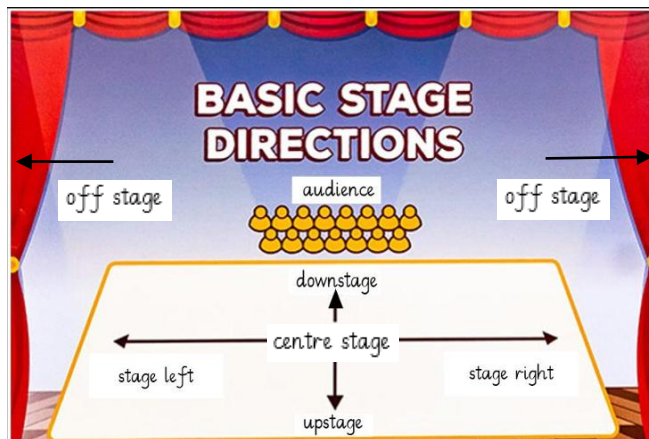


Vocabulary

script	written words for a play that outline what the actors are going to say and do
plot	the main story of the play
stage directions	the instructions in the script that tells the actor what to do on stage
projection	speaking loudly and clearly so that everyone can hear you
intonation	the way your voice goes up and down when you speak, read, or sing to show meaning and expression
facial expression	a way to show an emotion with just the face
body language	a way of communicating through movement and position
4 th wall	The fourth wall is an invisible wall that separates the actors from the people watching. In a pantomime, the actors break this wall by talking directly to the audience.

Stage Positions

Stage directions are instructions that tell actors where to move, stand or enter and leave the stage during a performance.



Performance – Pantomime

Pantomime

A pantomime is a funny play with songs, dancing, jokes and audience participation. It is usually performed at Christmas.

The humour can be 'slapstick' – this is when actors will pretend to get hurt or have something bad happen to them, like a custard pie being put in their face.



Body Language

Posture is how you hold your body when you are standing, sitting or moving around.

A shy person might look down at the floor and hunch their shoulders.

A confident person stands tall with their head held high.

A tired person slouches and drags their feet.

An energetic person bounces on toes and moves quickly.



Facial Expressions

Actors use facial expressions to help the audience understand how a character is feeling.

