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Musical Theatre, Unit 9

Skits

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Unit Overview

This unit will provide the students with exposure to performing theatrical skits and writing their own skits.

Enduring Understanding

- The Importance of proper diction and enunciation.
- The role of Theatre in history
- Theatre has its own set of rules and terminology
- The role of each character in a plot

Essential Questions

- What is theater?
- Why is there more than one type of theatre?
- What purpose does a system serve?
- What makes a performance successful or unsuccessful?
- How does the study of theatre from different historical periods and cultures enrich my understanding of theatre today?

Exit Skills

By the end of this unit the students should be able to:

- Critique methodologies
- Text analysis
- Creative writing and thinking

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| VPA.1.1.12 | All students will demonstrate an understanding of the elements and principles that govern the creation of works of art in dance, music, theatre, and visual art. |
| VPA.1.1.12.C | Theatre |
| VPA.1.1.12.C.CS1 | Theatre and the arts play a significant role in human history and culture. |
| VPA.1.1.12.C.CS2 | Characters have physical, emotional, and social dimensions that can be communicated through the application of acting techniques. |
| VPA.1.1.12.C.CS3 | Theatre production is an art, but it is also a science requiring knowledge of safety procedures, materials, technology, and construction techniques. |
| VPA.1.2.12 | All students will understand the role, development, and influence of the arts throughout history and across cultures. |
| VPA.1.2.12.A | History of the Arts and Culture |
| VPA.1.2.12.A.CS1 | Cultural and historical events impact art-making as well as how audiences respond to works of art. |
| VPA.1.2.12.A.CS2 | Access to the arts has a positive influence on the quality of an individual's lifelong learning, personal expression, and contributions to community and global citizenship. |
| VPA.1.3.12.C | Theatre |
| VPA.1.3.12.C.CS1 | Effective scripted and improvisational performances require informed, supported, and sustained choices by actors, directors, and designers. Theatre genres are created by combining complex narrative structures, technical theatrical elements, and thematic intent. |
| VPA.1.3.12.C.CS2 | Presentation of believable, multidimensional characters in scripted and improvised performances requires application of specific physical choices, sustained vocal technique, and clearly motivated actions. |
| VPA.1.4.12 | All students will demonstrate and apply an understanding of arts philosophies, judgment, and analysis to works of art in dance, music, theatre, and visual art. |
| VPA.1.4.12.A | Aesthetic Responses |
| VPA.1.4.12.A.2 | Speculate on the artist's intent, using discipline-specific arts terminology and citing embedded clues to substantiate the hypothesis. |
| VPA.1.4.12.A.CS1 | Recognition of fundamental elements within various arts disciplines (dance, music, theatre, and visual art) is dependent on the ability to decipher cultural implications embedded in artworks. |
| VPA.1.4.12.A.CS4 | Criteria for assessing the historical significance, craftsmanship, cultural context, and originality of art are often expressed in qualitative, discipline-specific arts terminology. |
| VPA.1.4.12.B | Critique Methodologies |
| VPA.1.4.12.B.CS1 | Archetypal subject matter exists in all cultures and is embodied in the formal and informal aspects of art. |
| VPA.1.4.12.B.CS2 | The cohesiveness of a work of art and its ability to communicate a theme or narrative can be directly affected by the artist's technical proficiency as well as by the manner and physical context in which it is performed or shown. |
| VPA.1.4.12.B.CS3 | Art and art-making reflect and affect the role of technology in a global society. |

Interdisciplinary Connections

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| LA.RST.9-10.3 | Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks, attending to special cases or exceptions defined in the text. |
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| LA.RST.11-12.4 | Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 11-12 texts and topics. |
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Learning Objectives

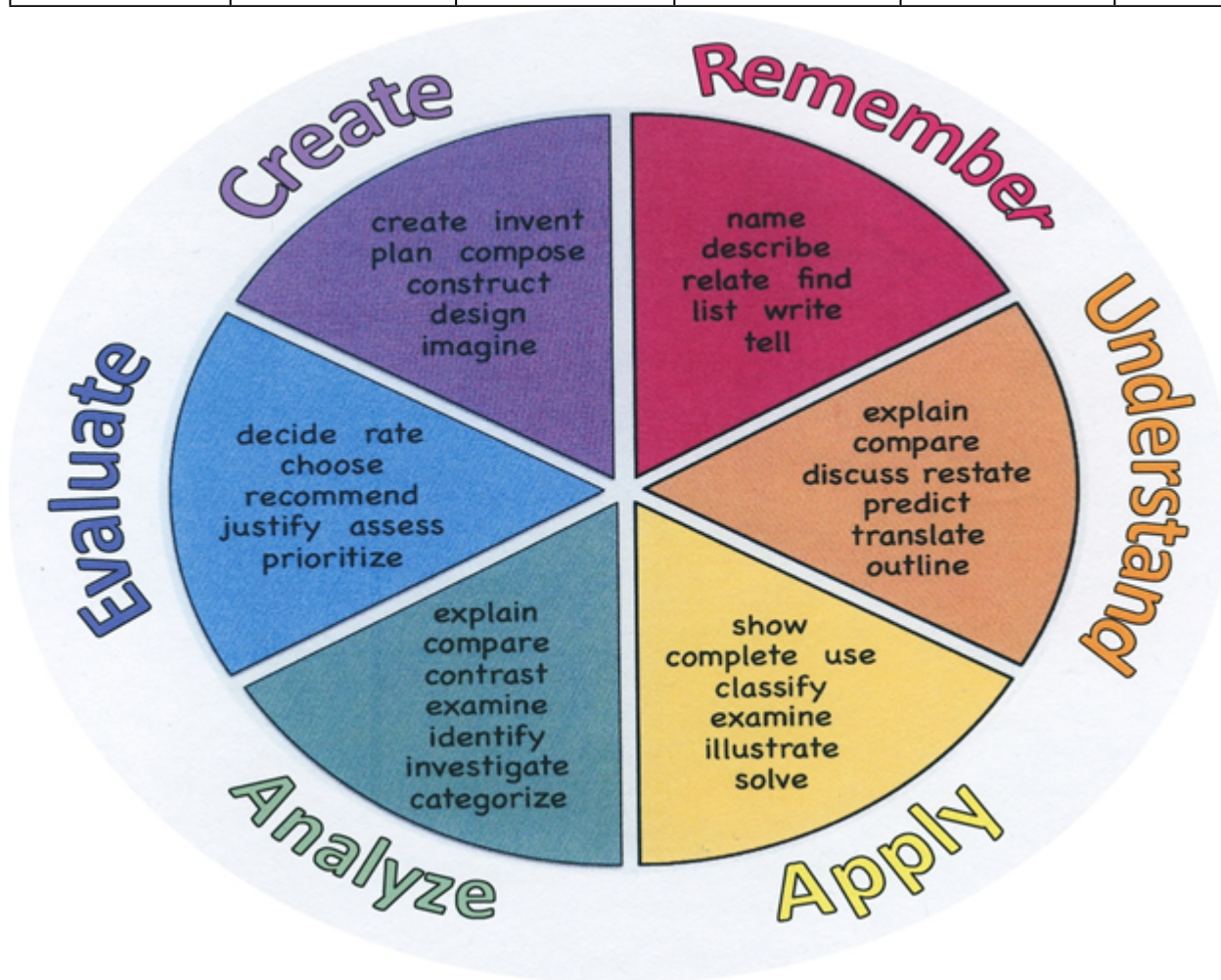
By the end of this unit the students will demonstrate the ability to:

- Describe what a skit is
- Describe the parts of a skit
- Perform skits from established theatrical works
- Create their own original skits
- Cast and perform their original skits

Action Verbs: Below are examples of action verbs associated with each level of the Revised Bloom's Taxonomy.

| Remember | Understand | Apply | Analyze | Evaluate | Create |
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| Choose | Classify | Choose | Categorize | Appraise | Combine |
| Describe | Defend | Dramatize | Classify | Judge | Compose |
| Define | Demonstrate | Explain | Compare | Criticize | Construct |
| Label | Distinguish | Generalize | Differentiate | Defend | Design |
| List | Explain | Judge | Distinguish | Compare | Develop |
| Locate | Express | Organize | Identify | Assess | Formulate |
| Match | Extend | Paint | Infer | Conclude | Hypothesize |
| Memorize | Give Examples | Prepare | Point out | Contrast | Invent |
| Name | Illustrate | Produce | Select | Critique | Make |
| Omit | Indicate | Select | Subdivide | Determine | Originate |
| Recite | Interrelate | Show | Survey | Grade | Organize |
| Select | Interpret | Sketch | Arrange | Justify | Plan |
| State | Infer | Solve | Breakdown | Measure | Produce |
| Count | Match | Use | Combine | Rank | Role Play |
| Draw | Paraphrase | Add | Detect | Rate | Drive |
| Outline | Represent | Calculate | Diagram | Support | Devise |
| Point | Restate | Change | Discriminate | Test | Generate |
| Quote | Rewrite | Classify | Illustrate | | Integrate |
| Recall | Select | Complete | Outline | | Prescribe |
| Recognize | Show | Compute | Point out | | Propose |

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| Repeat Reproduce | Summarize Tell Translate Associate Compute Convert Discuss Estimate Extrapolate Generalize Predict | Discover Divide Examine Graph Interpolate Manipulate Modify Operate Subtract | Separate | | Reconstruct Revise Rewrite Transform |
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Suggested Activities & Best Practices

- View and respond to a variety of live/video performances representing a range of styles (classical, Western, contemporary) and venues (Broadway, off-Broadway, college, high school)
- Write reviews or comparative essay of two viewed performances contrasting performance elements,

including - Theatre performance space - Scenery, costumes, lighting - Timing and pacing

- Research professional reviews of theatrical productions using computer resources. Create and develop justified textual and non-textual moments in a scene using sound and light, based on script analysis, dramaturgical study and director's vision

- Write or devise a short original play that conforms to the dramatic structure of one theatrical genre with a clear beginning, middle, and end.

- Direct a scene from a published or original work demonstrating suitable script analysis and clear visual aesthetics.

Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)

Active Participation

Class Discussion

Group Self-Assessment

Rubric for Presentation

Written review of history of theater

Rubric critique of various sound effect scenes presented by classmates.

Formative Assessments:

Teacher observations (Pair-Share, Q and A)

Visual skills checklist

Teacher rubric

Open Ended Questions

Lesson Check

Classroom Discussion

Summative Assessments:

Written Test

Performance Test

Peer Assessment

Alternate Assessment:

Written Reports

Benchmark Assessment:

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Direct a scene from a published or original work demonstrating suitable script analysis and clear visual aesthetics.

- Admit Tickets
- Anticipation Guide
- Common Benchmarks
- Compare & Contrast
- Create a Multimedia Poster
- DBQ's
- Define
- Describe
- Evaluate
- Evaluation rubrics
- Exit Tickets
- Explaining
- Fist- to-Five or Thumb-Ometer
- Illustration
- Journals
- KWL Chart
- Learning Center Activities
- Multimedia Reports
- Newspaper Headline
- Outline
- Question Stems
- Quickwrite
- Quizzes
- Red Light, Green Light
- Self- assessments
- Socratic Seminar
- Study Guide
- Surveys
- Teacher Observation Checklist
- Think, Pair, Share
- Think, Write, Pair, Share
- Top 10 List
- Unit review/Test prep

- Unit tests
- Web-Based Assessments
- Written Reports

Primary Resources & Materials

Drama Projects

Ancillary Resources

Digital Recordings, Online Media

Please list all additional resources that will be used to strengthen this unit's lessons.

Technology Infusion

Internet sources: YouTube.com, Broadway.com, etc.

What **Technology Infusion** and/or strategies are integrated into this unit to enhance learning? Please list all hardware, software and strategies. Please find a technology pedagogy wheel for assistance while completing this section.

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Wikipedia
Skydrive
Lync
SkyMap
Skype
Office 365
Puzzle Touch
Easy QR
Memorylage
Life Moments
Word Cloud Maker

Ted Talks
Record Voice Pen



Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology

Mastery and infusion of **21st Century Skills & Technology** and their Alignment to the core content areas is essential to student learning. The core content areas include:

- English Language Arts;
- Mathematics;
- Science and Scientific Inquiry (Next Generation);
- Social Studies, including American History, World History, Geography, Government and Civics, and Economics;
- World languages;
- Technology;
- Visual and Performing Arts.

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| CRP.K-12.CRP2 | Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. |
| CRP.K-12.CRP4 | Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason. |
| CRP.K-12.CRP6 | Demonstrate creativity and innovation. |
| CRP.K-12.CRP7 | Employ valid and reliable research strategies. |
| CRP.K-12.CRP11 | Use technology to enhance productivity. |
| CRP.K-12.CRP12 | Work productively in teams while using cultural global competence. |
| CAEP.9.2.12.C.3 | Identify transferable career skills and design alternate career plans. |
| CAEP.9.2.12.C.5 | Research career opportunities in the United States and abroad that require knowledge of world languages and diverse cultures. |
| TECH.8.1.12 | Educational Technology: All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge. |
| TECH.8.1.12.A | Technology Operations and Concepts: Students demonstrate a sound understanding of technology concepts, systems and operations. |
| TECH.8.1.12.A.3 | Collaborate in online courses, learning communities, social networks or virtual worlds to discuss a resolution to a problem or issue. |
| TECH.8.1.12.A.CS1 | Understand and use technology systems. |
| TECH.8.1.12.A.CS2 | Select and use applications effectively and productively. |
| TECH.8.1.12.B.CS2 | Create original works as a means of personal or group expression. |

21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes

- Communication and Collaboration
- Creativity and Innovation

- Critical thinking and Problem Solving
- ICT (Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy
- Information Literacy
- Life and Career Skills
- Media Literacy

21st Century Skills

- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
- Global Awareness
- Health Literacy

Differentiation

Differentiations:

- Small group instruction
- Small group assignments
- Extra time to complete assignments
- Pairing oral instruction with visuals
- Repeat directions
- Use manipulatives
- Center-based instruction
- Token economy
- Study guides
- Teacher reads assessments allowed
- Scheduled breaks
- Rephrase written directions
- Multisensory approaches
- Additional time
- Preview vocabulary
- Preview content & concepts
- Story guides
- Behavior management plan
- Highlight text
- Student(s) work with assigned partner
- Visual presentation
- Assistive technology
- Auditory presentations
- Large print edition
- Dictation to scribe
- Small group setting

Hi-Prep Differentiations:

- Alternative formative and summative assessments
- Choice boards
- Games and tournaments
- Group investigations
- Guided Reading
- Independent research and projects
- Interest groups
- Learning contracts
- Leveled rubrics
- Literature circles
- Multiple intelligence options
- Multiple texts
- Personal agendas
- Project-based learning
- Problem-based learning
- Stations/centers
- Think-Tac-Toes
- Tiered activities/assignments
- Tiered products
- Varying organizers for instructions

Lo-Prep Differentiations

- Choice of books or activities
- Cubing activities
- Exploration by interest
- Flexible grouping
- Goal setting with students
- Jigsaw
- Mini workshops to re-teach or extend skills
- Open-ended activities
- Think-Pair-Share
- Reading buddies
- Varied journal prompts
- Varied supplemental materials

Special Education Learning (IEP's & 504's)

● Choose time, place, mood or theme to focus on when performing a particular theatrical piece. ● Work with a peer to develop a short theatre performance. ● Highlight individual speaking parts to provide visual assistance during performance.

- printed copy of board work/notes provided
- additional time for skill mastery
- assistive technology
- behavior management plan
- Center-Based Instruction
- check work frequently for understanding
- computer or electronic device utilizes
- extended time on tests/ quizzes
- have student repeat directions to check for understanding
- highlighted text visual presentation
- modified assignment format
- modified test content
- modified test format
- modified test length
- multi-sensory presentation
- multiple test sessions
- preferential seating
- preview of content, concepts, and vocabulary
- Provide modifications as dictated in the student's IEP/504 plan
- reduced/shortened reading assignments
- Reduced/shortened written assignments
- secure attention before giving instruction/directions
- shortened assignments
- student working with an assigned partner
- teacher initiated weekly assignment sheet
- Use open book, study guides, test prototypes

English Language Learning (ELL)

• Create visual of common character emotions. • Display labeled image of stage components. • Highlight individual speaking parts to provide visual assistance during performance.

- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning;
- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)

- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using computer word processing spell check and grammar check features
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests

At Risk

• Invite parents/guardians to view and/or participate in a theatre performance. • Break dialogue into smaller pieces. • Conference with teacher during the acting planning process.

- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning
- allowing students to select from given choices
- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
- collaborating (general education teacher and specialist) to modify vocabulary, omit or modify items to reflect objectives for the student, eliminate sections of the test, and determine how the grade will be determined prior to giving the test.
- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- marking students' correct and acceptable work, not the mistakes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using authentic assessments with real-life problem-solving
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify

Talented and Gifted Learning (T&G)

• Compare and contrast performance techniques from two or more theatrical styles and present findings to peers. • Write and perform longer theatrical works, individually and in collaboration with peers. • Create an acting resume.

- Above grade level placement option for qualified students
- Advanced problem-solving
- Allow students to work at a faster pace
- Cluster grouping
- Complete activities aligned with above grade level text using Benchmark results
- Create a blog or social media page about their unit
- Create a plan to solve an issue presented in the class or in a text
- Debate issues with research to support arguments
- Flexible skill grouping within a class or across grade level for rigor
- Higher order, critical & creative thinking skills, and discovery
- Multi-disciplinary unit and/or project
- Teacher-selected instructional strategies that are focused to provide challenge, engagement, and growth opportunities
- Utilize exploratory connections to higher-grade concepts
- Utilize project-based learning for greater depth of knowledge

Sample Lesson

Using the template below, please develop a **Sample Lesson** for the first unit only.

Unit Name:

NJSLS:

Interdisciplinary Connection:

Statement of Objective:

Anticipatory Set/Do Now:

Learning Activity:

Student Assessment/CFU's:

Materials:

21st Century Themes and Skills:

Differentiation/Modifications:

Integration of Technology:

