



DRAMA

All Levels

Purpose

To discover drama as a way of expressing yourself through portraying another person - his or her emotions, feelings and place in time.

Exploring

1. In your project book write a short explanation of each of the types of theatre listed:
 - Pantomime
 - Musical Theatre
 - Operetta
 - Tragedy
 - Children's Theatre
 - Opera
 - Comedy
2. What do the following theatrical terms mean?
 - Downstage
 - Stage Right
 - Proscenium
 - Wings
 - Properties
 - Striking a Set
 - Upstage
 - Stage Left
 - Green Room
 - Flat
 - Royalties

Doing

Choose three of the following projects:

- a. Gather some props and bring them to your club meeting. Pass them around and use them to make up a short (5-10 min) skit using only articles you have been given to suggest your 'character'.
- b. In groups of two or three, or as individuals, plan a pantomime and perform it. Body language, feelings and facial expression must be emphasized to get the point across. Music could be used. After you watch the pantomimes, discuss them with your group. What were they saying? What best helped you to understand the pantomime?
- c. Find a short one-act play, or select part of a play or story. Plan to perform it for a special event. Rehearse, plan costumes, props, set and assign roles. Have fun!
- d. Attend a dramatic performance (professional, a school play or a college production). Notice the costuming, sets, props and acting. Discuss them with your club.
- e. Select a poem or short story approved by your counsellor for a dramatic reading, and perform it for your club.

Note

Excellent short plays and skits are available from Christian bookshops or Resource centres.

Ask your Counsellor to sign below and arrange for the presentation of your badge.

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