

Focus on performing arts

70 - 80 minute lesson Years 9 - 11

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Teacher	Subject Focus on performing arts	Level and range Year 9 - 11 (Broad range, so materials, questioning and activities need to be differentiated)	Lesson timing Ideally, 70-80 minutes is recommended. Can be extended to accommodate your school lesson timings with extension activities.	Any other notes
Previous knowledge through questioning. Could be think/write/pair/share. This means students can consider the question, bullet-point their idea(s), discuss with the person next to them, and share with the teacher (who can use cold-calling).			Literacy: Comprehension questions from a set video, moving roles into sub sectors or highlighting roles of interest with justification of why, Discover creative careers research, evaluation of A3 set designs.	
LO: To demonstrate you can identify careers in performing arts. AIM: To virtually visit a workplace and to experience and solve a set design task. Materials: Task sheet, sector film (linked), set design task assets			Gatsby benchmarks: Benchmark 2 - Learning from career and labour market information. Benchmark 4 - Linking curriculum learning to careers	
Adults: One teacher should be available for this lesson.			Additional notes for SEN and EAL students: Keywords/slides could be provided for students printed out, with a worksheet resource.	
STARTER - 10 minutes – Brief overview of industry SLIDE 3-5 Overview, then 'How many different careers can you think of in performing arts?'. Students share responses. 5 minutes - TASK - Watch the Introducing performing arts film. SLIDE 6 - 7 Answer the following questions while you watch it: What type of roles are there in the performing arts sector? Note down a few ideas why these roles may be interesting for some people to work in. What kind of roles are there in the music sector? Note down a few ideas why these roles may be interesting for some people to work in. 10 minutes - FILM - Focus on a set designer SLIDE 8-9 Teacher overview of the role of a set designer. Play the film.			 Key/hinge questions How many different careers can you think of in performing arts? How many sub-sectors of the creative industries are there? Can you name them? What did you learn about set design today? Where do you look to find out more about careers and pathways into the creative industries? 	Measures of achievement Set design task Exit clip Identification of new roles

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10 minutes - TASK - groups of two - SLIDE 11

Students have the chance to evaluate A3 print out of scaled objects to be used in a set design. Students should annotate these sheets with objects noting down where they may be positioned on a set. For instance 'foreground' or 'background' with justifications why they would be placed in this way.

5 minutes - EXTENSION

Can any of you consider the texture of the objects or the surrounding spaces? Can you make any further notes justifying why.

Focus on the set teacher slide - back to the teacher. Hands up - did any of you manage to annotate texture, space, etc? (5 mins)

5 minutes - TASK - SLIDE 12

You are designing a set for a play based within the school about students. The play is about a student who has dreams of following his/her favourite musical artist on tour.

Note down: poses of actors, shape of the set, position of actors, textures and materials needed on the set for a dream sequence where the student is in a typical classroom environment.

10-15 minutes - TASK - SLIDE 13

Design a set for a dream sequence using an A3 sheet of paper provided.

5 minutes - EXTENSION

Make justifications for your design using the reflection sheet at the back.

10 minutes - EXTENSION - SLIDE 14

If a computer lab is available - students logon to Discover Careers and find the 'set designer' job profile. Students are asked to find a job they've never heard of and a job they'd like to do.

5 minutes - EXIT SLIP OR WHITEBOARDS - SLIDE 15

- How many sub-sectors of the creative industries are there? Can you name them?
- What did you learn about set design today?
- Where do you look to find out more about careers and pathways into the creative industries?