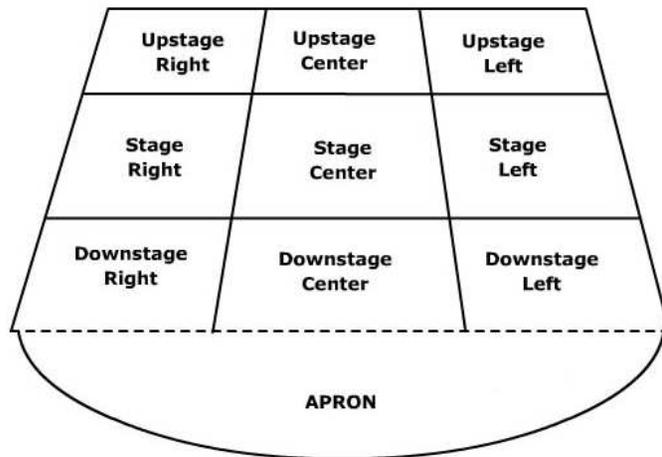


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Areas for Assessment

Creating	The ability to work within a group to create and develop performance work.
Performing	The ability to present a character using physical and vocal skills.
Evaluating	The ability to discuss the qualities of a performance using dramatic language.



Audience

Explorative Strategies

Internal Narrator	A character within the performance tells the audience the story from their perspective.
External Narrator	A character outside of the performance tells the audience the story. This is useful if you want to get every aspect of the story.
Marking the Moment	A specific moment in time is highlighted on stage often this is done using slow motion or a repetitive action.

Dramatic Mediums When Performing

Facial Expressions	Consider what your face is communicating to the audience.
Body Language	Open or closed? Does it help the audience understand their feelings and social position?
Gesture	What are they doing with their hands? Can it help the audience understand what is going on?
Use of Voice	Are lots of different levels used? Do the levels help us understand feelings and social position?
Proxemics (space)	Where do the performers stand in the space? Does the distance between characters tell us anything about their relationships?
Audience Awareness	Are the performers positioned in places where the audience can see them fully?

Characters

Mr Wormwood	Matilda's father. He is a large man who is arrogant. He is a used car salesman who likes to cheat people out of their money.
Mrs Trunchbull	The headmistress of Matilda's school. She is known for being very aggressive in her discipline and will often be very mean to students. She is very large and very strong.
Matilda	A very intelligent little girl who is able to deal with many adult problems. She is often mistaken for being weak by Mrs Trunchbull.
Lavender	Matilda's friend and confident. Lavender and Matilda spend a lot of time chatting to one another about what is happening at their school.
The Grinch	A mean character who likes to play tricks on people and cause them harm. Used to be part of the community but has separated himself from them.
Cindy Lou	A very cheerful little girl who is questioning the purpose of Christmas.

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