

Subject:	GCSE Drama
Exam board:	AQA
Specification:	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/drama/gcse/drama-8261
How students will be assessed:	<p>Component 1: Understanding drama (1 hour 45 minutes; 40% of GCSE)</p> <p>Knowledge and understanding of drama and theatre</p> <p>Study of one set play from a choice of six (Blood Brothers)</p> <p>Evaluation of live theatre.</p> <p>Component 1:</p> <p>Section A: multiple choice (4 marks) = General Theatre roles questions, staging and areas of the stage.</p> <p>Section B: four questions on a given extract from the set play chosen (44 marks)</p> <p>Section C: one question (from a choice) on the work of theatre makers in a single live theatre production (32 marks). This part of the exam is not being done for AP2.</p> <p>Component 2: Devising drama (practical marked by teacher; 40% of GCSE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Process of creating devised drama • Performance of devised drama (students may contribute as performer or designer) • Analysis and evaluation of own work <p>Component 3: Texts in practice (practical marked by AQA; 20% of GCSE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance of two extracts from one play (students may contribute as performer or designer)
Recommended revision guide:	<p>GCSE Drama Play Guide - Blood Brothers</p> <p>https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/gcse/drama/dmpbb41-gcse-drama-play-guide-blood-brothers</p>
Other useful links:	<p>https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11765/72599</p> <p>https://members.gcsepod.com/content?subject_id=6075&exam_board_id=1022&topic_id=9118</p> <p>AQA GCSE Drama Website</p> <p>Blood Brothers PDF script available online https://irp-cdn.multiscreensite.com/b5cf95f0/files/uploaded/willy-russell-blood-brothers.pdf</p>
AP2	<p>Component 1 part paper: Section A (4 marks) and Section B Blood Brothers (4, 8, and 12 mark questions).</p> <p>Written exam: 40 minutes.</p> <p>28 marks</p>