

Web-based Homework for Year 11 GCSE Drama

Homework 1

The Crucible

Look at the extract from the 2005 AQA GCSE Drama written paper.

AQA GCSE Drama 2005 Written paper

MILLER: The Crucible

3 (a) Selected scene: Act One.

From: .Enter MRS ANN PUTNAM. She is a twisted soul of forty five, a death-ridden woman, haunted by dreams..

To: .Enter MERCY LEWIS, the Putnam.s servant, a fat, sly, merciless girl of eighteen.

Discuss, in detail, how you would play either Parris or Mrs Putnam in the selected scene.

You will need to refer to voice, movement, gesture and facial expression, as well as to how your chosen character responds to others on stage

Decide which character you would play.

Imagine that you are the examiner. Identify the moments in the extract that are interesting for the playing of your character. In particular, look for moments when your character will be doing something new.

Write bullet points indicating what a good candidate will be exploring in terms of voice, movement, gesture, facial expression and relationships to others on stage.

After this homework has been completed, pupils will be allowed to see the real mark scheme in order to check their own ideas in whole class discussion and small groups.

Pupils will need their copies of The Crucible in order to do this homework.