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Section A: 1. Lysistrata by Aristophanes (pages 133-143)

Question Number	Question		
1(a) AO2 AO3	Outline for your performers two ways they might explore the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES at the start of this extract.(4)		
	Indicative Content		
	This asks the candidate to consider the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES at the start of this extract and how this might be explored with the actors to indicate the importance of this moment during this rehearsal. The question asks for two ways of exploring the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES. The response is about rehearsal techniques and there may be, for example, a focus on proxemics and/or staging considerations in the answer supported by specific reference to specific lines around the entrance of the ATHENIAN.		
Mark	Descriptor		
0	There will be no evidence of connecting with the demands of the question.		
1	There will be little evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The response will be descriptive and will not connect the elements of the answer to the question and/or to the rehearsal but there may be some reference to the extract.		
2	There will be some evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate may not fully explore two ways of exploring the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES in this extract or may focus on only one justified approach.		
3	There will be evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses should demonstrate a full understanding of the intended purpose of exploring the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES in this extract. The role of the actors will be explicit in the response. There will be two possible ways of exploring the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES in this extract, both supported by reasons, but one idea may not be as fully developed or as supported as the other.		
4	The evidence of connecting with the demands of the question will be very clear. Primary consideration will be given to exploring the entrance of the ATHENIAN DELEGATES in this extract with two clear and valid examples supported by reasons. For four marks, the ideas should be practical and demonstrate thinking that is confident, accurate, and clear. Rehearsal must be explicit in the response.		

Question Number	Question
1.(b)	Consider three appropriate rehearsal techniques you might use in order to explore the relationship between Lysistrata and the
AO2 AO3	male characters in this extract. (6)
	Indicative Content
	This asks the candidate to consider the relationship between Lysistrata and the male characters to indicate ways of defining this relationship through rehearsal in order to allow this to be explored and eventually communicated to the audience.
	It is a relationship question and is about rehearsal techniques that may be used specifically in this extract to define the relationship between Lysistrata and the male characters at this point for the company. The key word here is <i>appropriate</i> and the question is looking for a sense of understanding not just of rehearsal techniques but the purpose of specific techniques in relation to the question and the extract.
	Candidates should offer support from specific examples within this extract and ideas for three rehearsal techniques should be both practical and appropriate.
	The choice of emphasis is open but there must be a balance in the three techniques explored to be able to earn the higher level marks.
Mark	Descriptor
0	There will be no evidence of connecting with the demands of the question.
1	There will be little evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses will be highly descriptive and may not cover more than one element of the question, not exploring any of the elements in any depth. Rehearsal techniques may not be appropriate and there may be little connection with the extract in the response.
2	There will be some evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate may not have a clear through line of ideas and may not be able to offer specific examples of rehearsal techniques with the actors in rehearsal or the connection with the extract will be either slight or non-existent
3	There will be more evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate demonstrates a sound use of drama and theatre terms in relation to rehearsal techniques and communicates the response effectively. There will be connections made to the extract, although these may lack specifics in terms of the focus on the specific relationship between Lysistrata and the male characters. There may be more reporting than exploring at this level.

4	There will be evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. There may be support for the examples of rehearsal techniques and an understanding of the relationship between Lysistrata and the male characters being explored in the rehearsal. A director working with actors is emerging at this level in relation to the play, the extract, and the question.
5	There will be clear evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses will demonstrate a full understanding of the elements of the question and offer specific examples of rehearsal techniques supported by reasons. There will be a clear sense that the candidate has considered the relationship between Lysistrata and the male characters in this extract for the rehearsal and is able to connect ideas justifiably with the specifics of the question and the extract.
6	The evidence of connecting with the demands of the question will be very clear. There will be a confident grasp of drama and theatre terms in relation to rehearsal in evidence throughout the response. There may be some sense of the company in the answer that supports the work of all of the actors, not just the relationship specified in the question. The three rehearsal techniques will be applied with real understanding of purpose for the demands of the extract and in relation to the question.

Question	Questio	n	
Number	Explain to your performers how you intend to work on exploring		
1(c) AO2	characterisation		
AUZ	Indicative Content		
		s the candidate to consider:	
	The querespons It is a impact a chara respons	the opportunities within the extract for considering characterisation and how these might be explored by working through the rehearsal rocess. Ways of exploring relationships during the rehearsal to help the ctors and roupings of actors to understand them more fully ustifying the ways of working in relation to the extract and key noments from it the characterisation opportunities of the extract and how exploring these will assist in the relationship between audience and actor estion asks the candidate to work with the actors in rehearsal and the endought the candidate exploring the way the actors are able to upon audience through their characters in relation to others; it is not cter study. The question specifies exploring characterisation and the emay be ensemble and/or individual focused. The approach taken be justified by the candidate's interpretation and understanding of the all process in relation to the text.	
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Level	Mark	Descriptor	
Level 1	0 - 3	Responses at this level will be less detailed and less secure in offering justification of suggested techniques to explore characterisation within the extract. There will be little evidence of understanding or application of drama and theatre terminology and there will be little or no connection made to the extract in relation to the demands of the question. The response will be highly descriptive and/or very slight in relation to the marks awarded. The candidate will struggle to	
		convince of any knowledge in relation to interpreting the play for performance. There may be more of a sense of character study rather than exploration with the actors in rehearsal and there may be little or no sense of preparing the play for performance using appropriate rehearsal techniques for exploring characterisation.	

Level 2	4 - 6	Responses at this level will have the elements in place and examples of rehearsal techniques will be clear but possibly less supported by specific moments from the extract. There will be evidence of understanding and application of drama and theatre terminology and there will be connections made to the extract in relation to some of the demands of the question.
		There may be more of a bias towards character study and there may be less of a sense of the process leading up to developing the relationships between the characters and, possibly, with the audience.
		There may not be enough specific examples to connect the response to the extract, although the candidate may demonstrate a sound use of drama terms and concepts in relation to interpreting the play for performance using appropriate rehearsal techniques for exploring characterisation.
Level 3	7 - 10	Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of how a director will work with a group of actors in order to develop the relationship between individuals, ensemble and possibly, audience, through exploring characterisation.
		Examples and reasons will be based upon a confident and clear grasp of drama in relation to the role of the director in rehearsal and there will be clear evidence in the response of understanding and application of drama and theatre terminology in relation to interpreting plays for performance.
		The moments from the extract are supportive of the response, connecting performers and possibly audience with ideas on how the relationships may be established and explored, with the emphasis on exploring characterisation.
		The candidate will be able to offer ideas for rehearsal techniques that will effectively connect with the extract – giving specific examples - and may demonstrate the broader context of the style of the play in performance.
		There has to be evidence of connection to the extract for a high mark along with a sense of the candidate exploring ideas based upon a clear understanding of the process of interpreting the play for performance.

2. Dr Faustus by Christopher Marlowe (Page 113 - 123)

Question Number	Question	
2(a) A02 A03	Outline for your performers two ways they might explore the transition into Act 4 scene 2 in this extract. (4)	
	Indicative Content	
	This asks the candidate to consider the transition into Act 4 scene 2 in this extract and how this might be explored with the performers during the rehearsal.	
	The question asks for two ways of exploring the transition. The response is about rehearsal techniques and there may be, for example a focus on proxemics and/or staging in the answer supported by specific reference to specific lines from just before and/or just after the transition.	
Mark	Descriptor	
0	There will be no evidence of connecting with the demands of the question.	
1	There will be little evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses will be descriptive and will not connect the elements of the answer to the question and/or to the rehearsal, but there may be some reference to the extract and/or the play.	
2	There will be some evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate may not fully explore ways of exploring the transition for the actors or may focus on only one justified approach.	
3	There will be evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses should demonstrate a full understanding of the intended impact of the transition in the extract. The role of the actors will be explicit in the response. There will be two possible ways of exploring the transition, both supported by reasons, but one idea may not be as fully developed or as supported as the other.	
4	The connections with the demands of the question will be very clear. Primary consideration will be given to exploring the transition with two clear and valid examples supported by reasons. For four marks, the ideas should be practical and demonstrate thinking that is confident, accurate, and clear. Rehearsal must be explicit in the response.	

Question Number	Question
2(b)	Consider three appropriate rehearsal techniques you might use in
AO2	order to explore the relationship between Faustus and the Horse- Courser in this extract. (6)
AO3	
	Indicative Content
	This asks the candidate to consider the relationship between Faustus and the Horse- Courser as presented in this extract and to indicate ways of defining the individuals through rehearsal in order to allow the roles to emerge and eventually be communicated to the audience.
	It is a character development question and is about rehearsal techniques that may be used specifically in this extract. The key word is <i>appropriate</i> and the question is looking for a sense of understanding not just of rehearsal techniques but the purpose of specific techniques in relation to the question and specific moments within the extract.
	Candidates should offer support from specific examples within this extract and ideas for three rehearsal techniques should be practical and appropriate.
	The choice of emphasis is open but there must be a balance in the three techniques explored to be able to earn the higher level marks.
Mark	Descriptor
0	There will be no evidence of connecting with the demands of the question.
1	There will be little evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses will be highly descriptive and may not cover more than one element of the question, not exploring any of the elements in any depth. Rehearsal techniques may not be appropriate and there may be little connection with the extract in the response.
2	There will be some evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate may not have a clear through line of ideas and may not be able to offer specific examples of rehearsal techniques with the actors in rehearsal or the connection with the extract will be either slight or non-existent.
3	There will be more evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate demonstrates a sound use of drama and theatre terms in relation to rehearsal techniques and communicates the response effectively. There will be connections made to the extract, although these may lack specifics in terms of the focus on the specific relationship between Faustus and the Horse-Courser. There may be more reporting than exploring at this level.
4	There will be evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. There may be support for the examples of rehearsal techniques and an understanding of the relationship and possibly personalities being explored in the rehearsal. A director working with actors is emerging at this level in relation to the play, the extract, and the question.

5	There will be clear evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses will demonstrate a full understanding of the elements of the question and offer specific examples of rehearsal techniques supported by reasons.
	There will be a clear sense that the candidate has considered the characters of Faustus and the Horse-Courser in this extract for the rehearsal and is able to connect ideas justifiably with the specifics of question and the extract.
6	The evidence of connecting with the demands of the question will be very clear. There will be a confident grasp of drama and theatre terms in relation to rehearsal in evidence throughout the response. There may be some sense of the company in the answer that supports the work of all of the actors, not just the two specified in the question. The three rehearsal techniques will be applied with real understanding of purpose for the demands of the specific moment in the extract and in relation to the question.

Question	Questio	n	
Number			
2(c)	Explain to your performers how you intend to work on exploring characterisation		
AO2	Indicative Content		
		ks the candidate to consider:	
	T T a p W a a g I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	he opportunities within the extract for considering characterisation nd how these might be explored by working through the rehearsal rocess Vays of exploring relationships during the rehearsal to help the ctors and roupings of actors to understand them more fully ustifying the ways of working in relation to the extract and key noments from it he characterisation opportunities of the extract and how exploring nese will assist in the relationship between audience and actor estion asks the candidate to work with the actors in rehearsal and the e should reflect this.	
	impact a chara respons should I rehears	about the candidate exploring the way the actors are able to upon audience through their characters in relation to others; it is not cter study. The question specifies exploring characterisation and the e may be ensemble and/or individual focused. The approach taken be justified by the candidate's interpretation and understanding of the all process in relation to the text.	
Level	Mark	Descriptor	
Level 1	0 - 3	Responses at this level will be less detailed and less secure in offering justification of suggested techniques to explore characterisation within the extract. There will be little evidence of understanding or application of drama and theatre terminology and there will be little or no connection made to the extract in relation to the demands of the question.	
		The response will be highly descriptive and/or very slight in relation to the marks awarded. The candidate will struggle to convince of any knowledge in relation to interpreting the play for performance.	
		There may be more of a sense of character study rather than exploration with the actors in rehearsal and there may be little or no sense of preparing the play for performance using appropriate rehearsal techniques for exploring characterisation.	

Level 2	4 - 6	Responses at this level will have the elements in place and examples of rehearsal techniques will be clear but possibly less supported by specific moments from the extract. There will be evidence of understanding and application of drama and theatre terminology and there will be connections made to the extract in relation to some of the demands of the question.
		There may be more of a bias towards character study and there may be less of a sense of the process leading up to developing the relationships between the characters and, possibly, with the audience.
		There may not be enough specific examples to connect the response to the extract, although the candidate may demonstrate a sound use of drama terms and concepts in relation to interpreting the play for performance using appropriate rehearsal techniques for exploring characterisation
Level 3	7 - 10	Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of how a director will work with a group of actors in order to develop the relationship between individuals, ensemble and possibly, audience, through exploring characterisation.
		Examples and reasons will be based upon a confident and clear grasp of drama in relation to the role of the director in rehearsal and there will be clear evidence in the response of understanding and application of drama and theatre terminology in relation to interpreting plays for performance.
		The moments from the extract are supportive of the response, connecting performers and possibly audience with ideas on how the relationships may be established and explored, with the emphasis on exploring characterisation.
		The candidate will be able to offer ideas for rehearsal techniques that will effectively connect with the extract – giving specific examples - and may demonstrate the broader context of the style of the play in performance.
		There has to be evidence of connection to the extract for a high mark along with a sense of the candidate exploring ideas based upon a clear understanding of the process of interpreting the play for performance.

3. Woyzeck by Georg Buchner (Page 73 - 83)

Question Number	Question	
3(a) AO2 AO3	Outline for your performers two ways they might explore the stage directions for	
	Indicative Content	
	This asks the candidate to consider the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in this extract and how these might be explored with the performers during the rehearsal.	
	The question asks for two ways of exploring the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in the extract. The response is about rehearsal techniques and there may be, for example, a focus on proxemics and/or staging in the answer supported by specific reference to the stage directions.	
Mark	Descriptor	
0	There will be no evidence of connecting with the demands of the question.	
1	There will be little evidence of connecting with the demands of the question, and specifically the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in this extract. Responses will be descriptive and will not connect the elements of the answer to the question and/or to the rehearsal but there may be some reference to the extract and/or the play.	
2	There will be some evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate may not fully explore two ways of exploring the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in this extract or may focus on only one justified approach.	
3	There will be evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses should demonstrate a full understanding of exploring the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in this extract. The role of the actor will be explicit in the response. There will be two possible ways of exploring the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in this extract, both supported by reasons, but one idea may not be as fully developed or as supported as the other.	
4	The connections with the demands of the question will be very clear. Primary consideration will be given to exploring the stage directions for Marie in scene eighteen in this extract with two clear and valid examples supported by reasons. For four marks, the ideas should be practical and demonstrate thinking that is confident, accurate, and clear. Rehearsal must be explicit in the response.	

Question Number	Question
3(b)	Consider three appropriate rehearsal techniques you might use to
AO2 AO3	
	Indicative Content
	This asks the candidate to consider the relationship between the female characters as presented in the extract and to indicate ways of defining the individuals through rehearsal in order to allow personalities to emerge and eventually be communicated to the audience.
	It is a relationships question and is about rehearsal techniques that may be used specifically in this extract. The key word is <i>appropriate</i> and the question is looking for a sense of understanding not just of rehearsal techniques but the purpose of specific techniques in relation to the question and the specific scenes within the extract.
	Candidates should offer support from specific examples within this extract and ideas for three rehearsal techniques should be both practical and appropriate.
	There must be a balance in the three techniques explored to be able to earn the higher level marks.
Mark	Descriptor
0	There will be no evidence of connecting with the demands of the question.
1	There will be little evidence of connecting with the demands of the
	question. Responses will be highly descriptive and may not cover more than one element of the question, not exploring any of the elements in any depth. Rehearsal techniques may not be appropriate and there may be little
2	There will be some evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate may not have a clear through line of ideas and may not be able to offer specific examples of rehearsal techniques with the actors in rehearsal or the connection with the extract will be either slight or non-existent.
3	There will be more evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. The candidate demonstrates a sound use of drama and theatre terms in relation to rehearsal techniques and communicates the response effectively. There will be connections made to the specific scenes in the extract, although these may lack specifics in terms of the three female characters or focus on one rather than all. There may be more reporting than exploring at this level.
4	There will be evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. There may be support for the examples of rehearsal techniques and an understanding of the relationship and possibly personalities being explored in the rehearsal. A director working with actors is emerging at this level in relation to the play, the extract, and the question.

5	There will be clear evidence of connecting with the demands of the question. Responses will demonstrate a full understanding of the elements of the question and offer specific examples of rehearsal techniques supported by reasons. There will be a clear sense that the candidate has considered the relationship between the female characters in this extract for the rehearsal and is able to connect ideas justifiably with the specifics of the question and the extract.
6	The evidence of connecting with the demands of the question will be very clear. There will be a confident grasp of drama and theatre terms in relation to rehearsal in evidence throughout the response. There may be some sense of the company in the answer that supports the work of all of the actors, not just the three women. The three rehearsal techniques will be applied with real understanding of purpose for the demands of the specific moment in the extract and in relation to the question.

Question	Question	
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3(c) AO2	Explain to your performers how you intend to work on exploring characterisation	
	Indicative Content	
	 and how these might be exploprocess Ways of exploring relationship actors and groupings of actors Justifying the ways of working moments from it The characterisation opportunit 	xtract for considering characterisation red by working through the rehearsal os during the rehearsal to help the to understand them more fully in relation to the extract and key ties of the extract and how exploring ship between audience and actor
	The question asks the candidate to work with the actors in rehearsal and tresponse should reflect this. It is about the candidate exploring the way the actors are able impact upon audience through their characters in relation to others; it is a character study. The question specifies exploring characterisation and tresponse may be ensemble and/or individual focused. The approach tak should be justified by the candidate's interpretation and understanding of trehearsal process in relation to the text.	
Level	Mark Descriptor	
Level 1	offering justification of characterisation within the cunderstanding or application and there will be little or relation to the demands of the response will be high	extract. There will be little evidence of on of drama and theatre terminology no connection made to the extract in
	convince of any knowledge performance. There may be more of a	in relation to interpreting the play for sense of character study rather than n rehearsal and there may be little or no
		ay for performance using appropriate

Level 2	4 - 6	Responses at this level will have the elements in place and examples of rehearsal techniques will be clear but possibly less supported by specific moments from the extract. There will be evidence of understanding and application of drama and theatre terminology and there will be connections made to the extract in relation to some of the demands of the question.
		There may be more of a bias towards character study and there may be less of a sense of the process leading up to developing the relationships between the characters and, possibly, with the audience.
		There may not be enough specific examples to connect the response to the extract, although the candidate may demonstrate a sound use of drama terms and concepts in relation to interpreting the play for performance using appropriate rehearsal techniques for exploring characterisation
Level 3	7 - 10	Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of how a director will work with a group of actors in order to develop the relationship between individuals, ensemble and possibly, audience, through exploring characterisation.
		Examples and reasons will be based upon a confident and clear grasp of drama in relation to the role of the director in rehearsal and there will be clear evidence in the response of understanding and application of drama and theatre terminology in relation to interpreting plays for performance.
		The moments from the extract are supportive of the response, connecting performers and possibly audience with ideas on how the relationships may be established and explored, with the emphasis on exploring characterisation.
		The candidate will be able to offer ideas for rehearsal techniques that will effectively connect with the extract – giving specific examples - and may demonstrate the broader context of the style of the play in performance.
		There has to be evidence of connection to the extract for a high mark along with a sense of the candidate exploring ideas based upon a clear understanding of the process of interpreting the play for performance.

Section B: Lysistrata by Aristophanes

Question Number	Question
4. AO3 AO2	As a director, outline and justify your ideas for an interpretation of the play that demonstrates your understanding of its original performance context. (30)
	Indicative Content
	 This asks the candidate to consider: How the play in performance may impact upon a contemporary audience through its performance elements within a director's interpretation How to demonstrate intention in relation to communicating ideas to an audience The style of performance and how the production methods and combinations of, for example, acting style, costume, setting, props, light, staging will come together to communicate ideas within an overall interpretation A clear justification of the interpretation of the chosen text in relation to the demands of the question. It is a question about the performance of the play, it is not specifically about the play, and the candidate needs to apply appropriate drama and theatre terminology in order to be able to respond effectively. An understanding of the historical context will be demonstrated through practical considerations of a twenty-first century performance that must reference its original performance context in order to seek to communicate ideas to a contemporary audience References to theoretical aspects of directorial decisions. These might refer to reasons why a particular style or genre has been chosen or why the ideas of a particular recognised practitioner have been adopted. There should be reference to historic features that have influenced the interpretation and how these may be realised and justified in the performance Decisions that must be justified in terms of production methods to be used and the overall approach to the production with reference to communicating ideas to an audience
Level	Mark Descriptor

Level 1	0 -6	Responses at this level will be descriptive or very slight with no real or apparent attempt to engage with the demands of the question.
		There may be evidence of understanding of the play and there may be some coherence in the response but there will be limited evidence in relation to the actual question, with only a limited sense of justification evident.
		The candidate will struggle to convince with the interpretation in terms of the use of appropriate drama and theatre terminology and justification of ideas in relation to the question.
Level 2	7 – 12	Responses at the lower end of this level will be highly descriptive and highly sourced from the annotated script with little connection to the demands of the question.
		These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question.
		The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text.
		There may be some indication of how ideas may be communicated evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the chosen examples but not all of the connections will be made.
		There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the way ideas may be communicated but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level.
		There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to an interpretation that has not been fully thought out in terms of the play as a whole. The purpose of the interpretation has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production.
		The examples of how ideas may be communicated to the audience appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance, but this is not fully justified, merely reported.
		The candidate is starting to struggle at this level and the proposed interpretation in relation to the demands of the question may not be justified.
		There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Responses at this level may be secure about the play and about approaches to the interpretation but may have less of an understanding of how the interpretation can be communicated to an audience in production.

There may be very much a sense of the prepared answer, perhaps taken straight from the annotated script, to this response, but this will be supported by some examples to connect it with the general demands of the question, particularly towards the higher marks in this level.

There may be one line of thought that is not developed or justified in terms of the play or, alternatively, there may be a number of ideas explored for the approach to the interpretation in performance, none of which is fully developed or explored.

There is some evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, but these may not be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its intended impact upon an audience.

Description will start to dominate at the lower end of this area, although there will be a broader understanding of approaches to the interpretation in place as we go up through the marks, with some practical imagination and understanding present.

The justification of decisions will be less secure at this level and examples in support may not always be specific in relation to the proposed production and intended impact upon an audience.

Towards the higher end of this level, there will be distinct reference to stylistic or historic elements in the proposed interpretation of the play and there will be a general understanding of the likely aesthetic impact on the production

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 4 Responses at this level will demonstrate a sound understanding of drama and theatre terminology. They will offer a consideration of a director's approach to an imaginative interpretation of the text, based on knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a grasp of the question and a clear grasp of approaches to consider in relation to the objectives for the chosen interpretation, justified through examples of how ideas will be communicated to an audience.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a good understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with knowledge of approaches to the interpretation and shaping audience response gained throughout the course.

These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question.

The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text.

There may be some indication of how ideas may be communicated evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the chosen examples but not all of the connections will be made.

There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the way ideas may be communicated but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level.

There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to an interpretation that has not been fully thought out in terms of the play as a whole. The purpose of the interpretation has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production.

The examples of how ideas may be communicated to the audience appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance,

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, and these will be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its impact upon audience.

Objectives for the interpretation have been well considered but may not be wholly consistent throughout the progress of the play in performance.

There will be examples of how the interpretation may be communicated to an audience without losing sight of the play's original performance values.

Ideas will be imaginative and practical but perhaps the discussion is not as rounded or ideas justified enough as they might be for the higher marks or there is less consideration of a range of performance elements that have to be considered within the chosen interpretation.

This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response but will fall short in some of the connections made between the question and the text in production, as the candidate understands it.

Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of drama and theatre terminology in relation to a director working on an interpretation of a text. There will be consideration of the play in production in relation to the question that shows imagination based upon knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a clear grasp of the question and a clear basis of understanding within which to consider the performance opportunities, specifically around the chosen interpretation and justification of how ideas may be communicated in performance.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a full understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to the interpretation and shaping audience response gained throughout the course.

There is clear evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, and these will be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its impact upon audience.

Objectives for the interpretation have been well considered and explored to show consistency throughout the progress of the play.

There will be supported examples of approaches that are imaginative and practical, based upon an interpretation that sits within the original performance values of the play.

Ideas will be supported by sound reasoning, based upon an understanding of how ideas may be communicated to enhance performance for both actor and audience.

There will be a sense of confidence in the response, supported by clear ideas for approaches to a practical application of the interpretation that demonstrates an understanding of how live theatre could work.

This will be a coherent and knowledgeable response.

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Level	Mark	Descriptor
Level 1	0 - 6	Responses at this level will be descriptive or very slight with no real or apparent attempt to engage with the specific demands of the question. There may be evidence of understanding of the play and the intentions for the two specific design elements within a production of it and there may be some coherence in the response but there will be very little in relation to the actual question, with only a limited sense of justification evident. The candidate will struggle to convince with the objectives for the two specific design elements in terms of the use of appropriate drama and theatre terminology and justification of ideas in relation to the production as a whole within its historical context.

Level 2 7 – 12 Responses at the lower end of this level will be highly descriptive and probably highly sourced from the annotated script with little connection to the demands of the question.

These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question.

The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text.

There may be some understanding of the intentions for the two specific design elements evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the two specific design elements but not all of the connections will be made.

There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the intentions for the two specific design elements but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level.

There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to intentions for the two specific design elements that has been fully thought out in terms of the production as a whole. The impact of design has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production.

The intentions do not appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance.

The candidate is starting to struggle at this level and the proposed interpretation in relation to the demands of the question may not be justified, merely reported.

There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 | 13 - 18 | Responses at this level may be secure about the play and about approaches to two specific design elements but may have less of an understanding of how approaches to design will fit in with other elements of the performance or/and will offer less of a discussion of ideas.

There may be very much a sense of the prepared answer, perhaps taken straight from the annotated script, to this response, but this will be supported by some examples to connect it with the general demands of the question, particularly towards the higher marks in this level.

There may be one line of thought that may not be developed or justified in terms of the play in performance or, alternatively, there may be a number of ideas explored for the approach to the two specific design elements in performance, none of which is fully developed or explored.

There is some evidence of a theoretical approach to the intentions for the two specific design elements in terms of the play as a whole or the use of design in theatre in general.

The two specific design elements have been considered but will only have occasional relevance as detailed in response to the play as a whole in performance.

Description will start to dominate at the lower end of this area, although there will be a broader understanding of approaches to design in place at the higher level of marks, with some practical imagination and understanding present.

The justification of decisions will be less secure at this level and examples in support may not always be specific in relation to the proposed production.

Towards the higher end of this level, there will be distinct reference to stylistic and/or historic elements in the proposed interpretation of the play and there will be a general understanding of the likely aesthetic impact on the production.

Level 4 19 - 24 Responses at this level will demonstrate a sound understanding of drama and theatre terminology. They will offer a consideration of a director's approach to two specific design elements in an imaginative interpretation of the text, based on knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a grasp of the question and a clear grasp of approaches to consider in relation to the objectives for the two specific design elements within an interpretation of the production as a whole.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a good understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to intentions for design gained throughout the course.

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to design in terms of the play as a whole. Intentions for the two specific design elements have been well considered but may not be wholly consistent throughout the progress of the play in performance.

There will be examples of how the two specific design elements may be utilised without losing sight of the play's original performance values.

Ideas will be imaginative and practical but perhaps the discussion is not as rounded or ideas justified enough as it might be for the higher marks or there is less consideration of other elements of the performance that have to be matched with the approach to the two specific design elements.

This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response but will fall short in some of the connections made between the question and the text in production, as the candidate understands it.

Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of drama and theatre terminology in relation to a director working on an interpretation of a text. There will be consideration of the play in production in relation to the question, which shows imagination based upon knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a clear grasp of the question and a clear basis of understanding within which to consider the

specifically around intentions for the two specific design elements within the production.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a full understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to design in performance gained throughout the course.

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to the intentions for the two specific design elements in terms of the play as a whole. Objectives for design have been well considered and explored to show consistency throughout the progress of the play.

There will be supported examples of approaches that are imaginative and practical, based upon an interpretation that sits within the original performance values of the play.

Ideas will be supported by sound reasoning, based upon an understanding of how the intentions may enhance performance for both actor and audience.

There will be a sense of confidence in the response, supported by clear ideas for approaches to exploring intentions for the two specific design elements that demonstrate an understanding of how live theatre could work.

Dr Faustus by Christopher Marlowe

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These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question.

The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text.

There may be some indication of how ideas may be communicated evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the chosen examples but not all of the connections will be made.

There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the way ideas may be communicated but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level.

There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to an interpretation that has not been fully thought out in terms of the play as a whole. The purpose of the interpretation has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production.

The examples of how ideas may be communicated to the audience appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance, but this is not fully justified, merely reported.

The candidate is starting to struggle at this level and the proposed interpretation in relation to the demands of the question may not be justified.

There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 Responses at this level may be secure about the play and about the interpretation but may have less of an understanding of how the interpretation can be communicated to an audience in production.

There may be very much a sense of the prepared answer, perhaps taken straight from the annotated script, to this response, but this will be supported by some examples to connect it with the general demands of the question, particularly towards the higher marks in this level.

There may be one line of thought that is not developed or justified in terms of the play or, alternatively, there may be a number of ideas explored for the approach to the interpretation in performance, none of which is fully developed or explored.

There is some evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, but these may not be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its intended impact upon an audience.

Description will start to dominate at the lower end of this area, although there will be a broader understanding of approaches to the interpretation in place as we go up through the marks, with some practical imagination and understanding present.

The justification of decisions will be less secure at this level and examples in support may not always be specific in relation to the proposed production and intended impact upon an audience.

Towards the higher end of this level, there will be distinct reference to stylistic or historic elements in the proposed interpretation of the play and there will be a general understanding of the likely aesthetic impact on the production.

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

Responses at this level will demonstrate a sound understanding of drama and theatre terminology. They will offer a consideration of a director's approach to an imaginative interpretation of the text, based on knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a grasp of the question and a clear grasp of approaches to consider in relation to the objectives for the chosen interpretation, justified through examples of how ideas will be communicated to an audience.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a good understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with knowledge of approaches to the interpretation and shaping audience response gained throughout the course.

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, and these will be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its impact upon audience.

Objectives for the interpretation have been well considered but may not be wholly consistent throughout the progress of the play in performance.

There will be examples of how the interpretation may be communicated to an audience without losing sight of the play's original performance values.

Ideas will be imaginative and practical but perhaps the discussion is not as rounded or ideas justified enough as they might be for the higher marks or there is less consideration of a range of performance elements that have to be considered within the chosen interpretation.

This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response but will fall short in some of the connections made between the question and the text in production, as the candidate understands it.

Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of drama and theatre terminology in relation to a director working on an interpretation of a text. There will be consideration of the play in production in relation to the question that shows imagination b a s e d u p o n knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a clear grasp of the question and a clear basis of understanding within which to consider the performance opportunities, specifically around the chosen interpretation and justification of how ideas may be communicated in performance.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a full understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to the interpretation and shaping audience response gained throughout the course.

There is clear evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, and these will be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its impact upon audience.

Objectives for the interpretation have been well considered and explored to show consistency throughout the progress of the play.

There will be supported examples of approaches that are imaginative and practical, based upon an interpretation that sits within the original performance values of the play.

Ideas will be supported by sound reasoning, based upon an understanding of how ideas may be communicated to enhance performance for both actor and audience.

There will be a sense of confidence in the response, supported by clear ideas for approaches to a practical application of the interpretation that demonstrates an understanding of how live theatre could work.

This will be a coherent and knowledgeable response.

Questio n	Question	
7. AO3 AO2	with tw	rector, outline how you intend to engage your audience vo specific design elements and give clear examples, ted by reasons, of how your ideas might be achieved in
	Indicativ	e Content
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Level	Mark	Descriptor
Level 1	0 - 6	Responses at this level will be descriptive or very slight with no real or apparent attempt to engage with the specific demands of the question. There may be evidence of understanding of the play and the intentions for the two specific design elements within a production of it and there may be some coherence in the response but there will be very little in relation to the actual question, with only a limited sense of justification evident. The candidate will struggle to convince with the objectives for the two specific design elements in terms of the use of appropriate drama and theatre terminology and justification of ideas in relation to the production as a whole within its historical context.

Level 2 7 – 12 Responses at the lower end of this level will be highly descriptive and probably highly sourced from the annotated script with little connection to the demands of the question. These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question. The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text. There may be some understanding of the intentions for the two specific design elements evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the two specific design elements but not all of the connections will be made. There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the intentions for the two specific design elements but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level. There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to intentions for the two specific design elements that has been fully thought out in terms of the production as a whole. The impact of design has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production. The intentions do not appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance. The candidate is starting to struggle at this level and the proposed interpretation in relation to the demands of the question

may not be justified, merely reported.

There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 | 13 - 18 | Responses at this level may be secure about the play and about approaches

to two specific design elements but may have less of an understanding of how approaches to design will fit in with other elements of the performance

or/and will offer less of a discussion of ideas

There may be very much a sense of the prepared answer, perhaps taken straight from the annotated script, to this response, but this will be supported by some examples to connect it with the general demands of the question, particularly towards the higher marks in this level.

There may be one line of thought that may not be developed or justified in terms of the play in performance or, alternatively, there may be a number of ideas explored for the approach to the two specific design elements in performance, none of which is fully developed or explored.

There is some evidence of a theoretical approach to the intentions for the two specific design elements in terms of the play as a whole or the use of design in theatre in general.

The two specific design elements have been considered but will only have occasional relevance as detailed in response to the play as a whole in performance.

Description will start to dominate at the lower end of this area, although there will be a broader understanding of approaches to design in place at the higher level of marks, with some practical imagination and understanding present.

The justification of decisions will be less secure at this level and examples in support may not always be specific in relation to the proposed production.

Towards the higher end of this level, there will be distinct reference to stylistic and/or historic elements in the proposed interpretation of the play and there will be a general understanding of the likely aesthetic impact on the production.

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 4	19 - 24	Responses at this level will demonstrate a sound understanding of drama and theatre terminology. They will offer a consideration of a director's approach to two specific design elements in an imaginative interpretation of the text, based on knowledge gained throughout the course.
		The candidate will have a grasp of the question and a clear grasp of approaches to consider in relation to the objectives for the two specific design elements within an interpretation of the production as a whole.
		There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a good understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to intentions for design gained throughout the course.
		There is evidence of a theoretical approach to design in terms of the play as a whole. Intentions for the two specific design elements have been well considered but may not be wholly consistent throughout the progress of the play in performance.
		There will be examples of how the two specific design elements may be utilised without losing sight of the play's original performance values.
		Ideas will be imaginative and practical but perhaps the discussion is not as rounded or ideas justified enough as it might be for the higher marks or there is less consideration of other elements of the performance that have to be matched with the approach to the two specific design elements.
		This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response but will fall short in some of the connections made between the question and the text in production, as the candidate understands it.
Level 5	25 - 30	Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of drama and theatre terminology in relation to a director working on an interpretation of a text. There will be consideration of the play in production in relation to the question, which shows imagination based upon knowledge gained throughout the course.
		The candidate will have a clear grasp of the question and a clear basis of understanding within which to consider the performance opportunities, specifically around intentions for the two specific design elements within the production.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a full understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to design in performance gained throughout the course.

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to the intentions for the two specific design elements in terms of the play as a whole. Objectives for design have been well considered and explored to show consistency throughout the progress of the play.

There will be supported examples of approaches that are imaginative and practical, based upon an interpretation that sits within the original performance values of the play.

Ideas will be supported by sound reasoning, based upon an understanding of how the intentions may enhance performance for both actor and audience.

There will be a sense of confidence in the response, supported by clear ideas for approaches to exploring intentions for the two specific design elements that demonstrate an understanding of how live theatre could work.

Woyzeck by Georg Buchner

Question Number			
8. AO3 AO2	As a director, outline and justify your ideas for an		
	demonstrates your understanding of its original performance		
	Indicative Content This calls the condition to consider		
	 How the play in performance may impact upon a contemporary audience through its performance elements within a director's interpretation How to demonstrate intention in relation to communicating ideas to an audience The style of performance and how the production methods and combinations of, for example, acting style, costume, setting, props, light, staging will come together to communicate ideas within an overall interpretation A clear justification of the interpretation of the chosen text in relation to the demands of the question. It is a question about the performance of the play, it is not specifically about the play, and the candidate needs to apply appropriate drama and theatre terminology in order to be able to respond effectively. An understanding of the historical context will be demonstrated through practical considerations of a twenty-first century performance that must reference its original performance context in order to seek to communicate ideas to a contemporary audience References to theoretical aspects of directorial decisions. These might refer to reasons why a particular style or genre has been chosen or why the ideas of a particular recognised practitioner have been adopted. There should be reference to historic features that have influenced the interpretation and how these may be realised and justified in the performance Decisions that must be justified in terms of production methods to be used and the overall approach to the production with reference to communicating ideas to an audience. 		
Level	lark Descriptor		
Level 1	Responses at this level will be descriptive or very slight with no real or apparent attempt to engage with the demands of the question. There may be evidence of understanding of the play and there may be some coherence in the response but there will be limited evidence		
	in relation to the actual question, with only a limited sense of justification evident. The candidate will struggle to convince with the interpretation in terms of the use of appropriate drama and theatre terminology		
	and justification of ideas in relation to the question.		

These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question.

The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text.

There may be some indication of how ideas may be communicated evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the chosen examples but not all of the connections will be made.

There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the way ideas may be communicated but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level.

There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to an interpretation that has not been fully thought out in terms of the play as a whole. The purpose of the interpretation has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production.

The examples of how ideas may be communicated to the audience appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance, but this is not fully justified, merely reported.

The candidate is starting to struggle at this level and the proposed interpretation in relation to the demands of the question may not be justified.

There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 Responses at this level may be secure about the play and about approaches to the interpretation but may have less of an understanding of how the interpretation can be communicated to an audience in production.

There may be very much a sense of the prepared answer, perhaps taken straight from the annotated script, to this response, but this will be supported by some examples to connect it with the general demands of the question, particularly towards the higher marks in this level.

There may be one line of thought that is not developed or justified in terms of the play or, alternatively, there may be a number of ideas explored for the approach to the interpretation in performance, none of which is fully developed or explored.

There is some evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, but these may not be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its intended impact upon an audience.

Description will start to dominate at the lower end of this area, although there will be a broader understanding of approaches to the interpretation in place as we go up through the marks, with some practical imagination and understanding present.

The justification of decisions will be less secure at this level and examples in support may not always be specific in relation to the proposed production and intended impact upon an audience.

Towards the higher end of this level, there will be distinct reference to stylistic or historic elements in the proposed interpretation of the play and there will be a general understanding of the likely aesthetic impact on the production

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 4 Responses at this level will demonstrate a sound understanding of drama and theatre terminology. They will offer a consideration of a director's approach to an imaginative interpretation of the text, based on knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a grasp of the question and a clear grasp of approaches to consider in relation to the objectives for the chosen interpretation, justified through examples of how ideas will be communicated to an audience.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a good understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with knowledge of approaches to the interpretation and shaping audience response gained throughout the course.

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, and these will be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its impact upon audience.

Objectives for the interpretation have been well considered but may not be wholly consistent throughout the progress of the play in performance.

There will be examples of how the interpretation may be communicated to an audience without losing sight of the play's original performance values.

Ideas will be imaginative and practical but perhaps the discussion is not as rounded or ideas justified enough as they might be for the higher marks or there is less consideration of a range of performance elements that have to be considered within the chosen interpretation.

This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response but will fall short in some of the connections made between the question and the text in production, as the candidate understands it.

Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of drama and theatre terminology in relation to a director working on an interpretation of a text. There will be consideration of the play in production in relation to the question that shows imagination based upon knowledge gained throughout the course.

The candidate will have a clear grasp of the question and a clear basis of understanding within which to consider the performance opportunities, specifically around the chosen interpretation and justification of how ideas may be communicated in performance.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a full understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to the interpretation and shaping audience response gained throughout the course.

There is clear evidence of a theoretical approach to the application of the interpretation in terms of communicating ideas to an audience, and these will be justified in practical terms in relation to the proposed production and its impact upon audience.

Objectives for the interpretation have been well considered and explored to show consistency throughout the progress of the play.

There will be supported examples of approaches that are imaginative and practical, based upon an interpretation that sits within the original performance values of the play.

Ideas will be supported by sound reasoning, based upon an understanding of how ideas may be communicated to enhance performance for both actor and audience.

There will be a sense of confidence in the response, supported by clear ideas for approaches to a practical application of the interpretation that demonstrates an understanding of how live theatre could work.

Questio n	Question		
9.	As a director, outline how you intend to engage your audience		
AO3	with two specific design elements and give clear examples,		
AO2	supported by reasons, of how your ideas might be achieved in		
	Indicative Content		
Level 1	Nesponses at this level will be descriptive or very slight with no real or apparent attempt to engage with the specific demands of the question. There may be evidence of understanding of the play and the intentions for the two specific design elements within a production of it and there may be some coherence in the response but there will be very little in relation to the actual question, with only a limited sense of justification evident. The candidate will struggle to convince with the objectives for the two specific design elements in terms of the use of appropriate drama and theatre terminology and justification of ideas in relation to the production as a whole within its historical context.		

Level 2 7 – 12 Responses at the lower end of this level will be highly descriptive and probably highly sourced from the annotated script with little connection to the demands of the question.

These answers may be highly imaginative, but that does not mean that they will necessarily work in practical performance terms or connect sufficiently with the specific demands of the question.

The candidate will present information that does not fully connect with the framework of the question, perhaps derived straight from the annotated text.

There may be some understanding of the intentions for the two specific design elements evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may be enhanced by the candidate's approach to the two specific design elements but not all of the connections will be made.

There will be some sense of drama and theatre terms being applied in relation to the interpretation and exploring the intentions for the two specific design elements but there will be little or no sense of justification of decisions made at the lower end of this level.

There is scant evidence of a theoretical approach to intentions for the two specific design elements that has been fully thought out in terms of the production as a whole. The impact of design has been considered but has only a superficial relevance to the proposed production.

The intentions do not appear to sit within an overall concept of the play in performance.

The candidate is starting to struggle at this level and the proposed interpretation in relation to the demands of the question may not be justified, merely reported.

There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 | 13 - 18 | Responses at this level may be secure about the play and about approaches to two specific design elements but may have less of an understanding of how approaches to design will fit in with other elements of the performance or/and will offer less of a discussion of ideas.

There may be very much a sense of the prepared answer, perhaps taken straight from the annotated script, to this response, but this will be supported by some examples to connect it with the general demands of the question, particularly towards the higher marks in this level.

There may be one line of thought that may not be developed or justified in terms of the play in performance or, alternatively, there may be a number of ideas explored for the approach to the two specific design elements in performance, none of which is fully developed or explored.

There is some evidence of a theoretical approach to the intentions for the two specific design elements in terms of the play as a whole or the use of design in theatre in general.

The two specific design elements have been considered but will only have occasional relevance as detailed in response to the play as a whole in performance.

Description will start to dominate at the lower end of this area, although there will be a broader understanding of approaches to design in place at the higher level of marks, with some practical imagination and understanding present.

The justification of decisions will be less secure at this level and examples in support may not always be specific in relation to the proposed production.

Towards the higher end of this level, there will be distinct reference to stylistic and/or historic elements in the proposed interpretation of the play and there will be a general understanding of the likely aesthetic impact on the production

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 4	19 - 24	Responses at this level will demonstrate a sound understanding of drama and theatre terminology. They will offer a consideration of a director's approach to two specific design elements in an imaginative interpretation of the text, based on knowledge gained throughout the course.
		The candidate will have a grasp of the question and a clear grasp of approaches to consider in relation to the objectives for the two specific design elements within an interpretation of the production as a whole.
		There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a good understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to intentions for design gained throughout the course.
		There is evidence of a theoretical approach to design in terms of the play as a whole. Intentions for the two specific design elements have been well considered but may not be wholly consistent throughout the progress of the play in performance.
		There will be examples of how the two specific design elements may be utilised without losing sight of the play's original performance values.
		Ideas will be imaginative and practical but perhaps the discussion is not as rounded or ideas justified enough as it might be for the higher marks or there is less consideration of other elements of the performance that have to be matched with the approach to the two specific design elements.
		This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response but will fall short in some of the connections made between the question and the text in production, as the candidate understands it.
Level 5	25 - 30	Responses at this level will demonstrate a full understanding of drama and theatre terminology in relation to a director working on an interpretation of a text. There will be consideration of the play in production in relation to the question, which shows imagination based upon knowledge gained throughout the course.
		The candidate will have a clear grasp of the question and a clear basis of understanding within which to consider the performance opportunities, specifically around intentions for the two specific design elements within the production.

There needs to be a clear indication throughout the response that the candidate has a full understanding of the play in performance and is able to offer ideas based upon this understanding, coupled with the knowledge of approaches to design in performance gained throughout the course.

There is evidence of a theoretical approach to the intentions for the two specific design elements in terms of the play as a whole. Objectives for design have been well considered and explored to show consistency throughout the progress of the play.

There will be supported examples of approaches that are imaginative and practical, based upon an interpretation that sits within the original performance values of the play.

Ideas will be supported by sound reasoning, based upon an understanding of how the intentions may enhance performance for both actor and audience.

There will be a sense of confidence in the response, supported by clear ideas for approaches to exploring intentions for the two specific design elements that demonstrate an understanding of how live theatre could work.

Section C.

Question Number	Question		
10. AO3 AO2	'Live theatre excites and engages its audience in the 21 st century as much as it did in		
AO4	its original performance' Discuss the above statement in relation to the play you have		
	Indicative Content		
	This asks for a personal response from the candidate, inviting a discussion about the impact of the play in performance and its relevance, and what it was about it which made an impression, including the director's approach to its themes and issues through a range of elements of theatre to 'excite and engage' that could include:		
	 The visual and aural impact of the performance, which places it in the 21st century, particularly with reference to the actors, stage effects, and the impact of the director, setting out to 'excite and engage' as evidenced through the performance The social/cultural impact and how issues and themes may have been developed or not in the performance seen Topical references and how these may be dealt with Possible cuts and edits but only as far as these are evident in performance The impact of actors within the production and how the style of acting within a design concept may alter/support the impact compared to the original performance conditions 		
	There are a number of areas here and a number of angles from which the candidate may develop a response around the phrase 'excites and engages'. The idea of theatre moving with the times and engaging the audience of the		
	day is at the centre of the question and encourages candidates to consider the language of theatre and communication in its broadest sense.		
	The most successful answers are likely to be the ones which are rooted in responding to the statement and which use the performance seen as the starting point for the response and offers examples alongside this, rather than giving the history lesson and slipping some personal observations into it.		
	The statement is a SCH one, but candidates should be able to draw ideas together that may cover a number of the above elements. A personal response concerning the impact of the director on the production, and how this might alter or modify the theatre experience for the audience, specifically around whether or not the performance seen did, indeed 'excite and engage' is at the centre of the answer.		

This should lead the candidate into a response in relation to the statement and an understanding of the original performance conditions. The candidate may agree or disagree with the statement or offer a balanced view in discussion.

There needs to be a balance in the response, reflecting the candidate's understanding of the performance seen in relation to its original performance conditions, demonstrating knowledge of how directors in the 21st century may interpret plays for performance, working with both actors and designers and with an audience in mind.

Use of drama and theatre terminology and relevant evaluative skills are expected within the response.

Level	Mark	Descriptor
Level 1	0 -6	Responses at this level may be heavily descriptive or slight, and will lack any of the necessary connections, although there may be some limited understanding of the play in performance in relation to the demands of the question and, specifically, the statement.
		The candidate will struggle to engage with the experience and will not be able to offer coherent and well-rounded thoughts in relation to either the question and/or the play seen in performance, particularly with reference to the specifics of the statement.
		There will be only limited understanding demonstrated of the impact of the director in relation to the production as a whole and around the phrase 'excites and engages' in the statement.
		This response will not engage with the demands of the question in sufficient depth to warrant a mark outside this level.

The specific demands of the question and the statement will have little consideration in the answer and the candidate will present information that does not fully connect with its framework, perhaps derived straight from notes and with little sense of the phrase 'excites and engages'.

There may be some understanding of the actor in relation to design evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate discussion of how the impact of the play in performance may have been enhanced by the director's approach to actors and design, but not all the connections will have been made.

There will be little or no appreciation of how the live performance may have compared with the style likely to have been exhibited in the original performance conditions and how this might have excited and engaged the audience of the time.

There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 13 - 18

Responses at this level may be descriptive and may lack a depth of discussion to take the response into the next level. There may be a clear drift towards the text and/or character study, rather than the performance and/or there may be a strong historical perspective that may dominate the overall response.

There will be evidence of understanding in this area but there will be a clear impression of the candidate starting to struggle to supply evidence in support.

The impact of the contribution of the 21st century director may be limited to examples that are not developed around the question and/or the specifics of the statement, and there may be a sense of notes being presented, particularly towards the lower marks in this level.

Reference will be made to the impact of the director on actors and design in the contemporary production, with reference to the original performance conditions towards the higher marks in this level, but there will be little discussion of the differences or similarities to show an understanding of the impact in its historical context and of how the original production may have excited and engaged the audience at the time.

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

Responses at this level will offer clear evidence that the candidate has understood the contribution of the director to the production seen in relation to its original performance and is then able to relate that information to the demands of the question and the statement.

Examples used will be supported and there will generally be a balance in the comparison as to the impact of the director - specifically in relation to the statement - compared to its original performance, with examples rooted in the performance of the play.

The performance seen should be at the centre of the response but there may be some imbalance evident in the examples used in support.

Reference will be made to the impact of the director in both the contemporary production and in the original performance conditions and there will be a perceptible discussion of the differences/similarities the impact makes on the candidate as a member of the audience and with reference to the phrase 'excites and engages'.

The place of actors and design elements may not be discussed in relation to an overall production concept towards the lower marks in this level, for example, but the information within the response has merit and shows understanding overall.

This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response.

Level 5 Responses at this level will offer clear evidence that the candidate has understood the contribution of the director to the production seen compared to its original performance and is then able to relate that information to the demands of the question and the statement.

Examples used will be supported and there will be a balance in the comparison as to the impact of the director on actors and designers, for example, compared to the original performance.

The examples should be rooted in the performance of the play, not in its literary merits.

The performance seen should ideally lead the comparison, with ideas springing from that.

Some candidates may successfully present ideas in this answer using a different approach.

The comparison should have balance and the examples used should be clearly explored with discussion evident within the response.

Reference will be made to the director and influences on the actor and designer(s), for example, in both the contemporary production and in the original context.

There will be a full discussion of the difference/similarity the impact makes on the historic and contemporary audiences that comprehensively explores the likely interpretation made by the audiences as to the meaning and impact of the play and with particular reference to 'excites and engages' within the statement.

At this level, we should be having names of actors, directors, designers and there should be a clear distinction between actor and character. Technical/theatrical terms should be used appropriately. Conclusions drawn should follow logically from the comparisons offered.

Question	Question		
Number 11. AO3 AO2	Evaluate the impact of one key design element in the production you have seen and compare this with its original performance. (30)		
	Indicative Content		
	This asks the candidate to evaluate the impact of one key design element on the production.		
	The impact of the chosen element should be considered in relation to audience and actors, acting/performance style, other design elements and communication of ideas. The impact of the chosen design element should be evaluated to demonstrate that the candidate understands how it has contributed to the way the play has been brought to the stage.		
	It is a personal response and one that should connect effectively to an understanding of the original performance conditions of the chosen play by looking at the 'now' in relation to the 'then', particularly with reference to the chosen design element.		
	The examples in support are the choice of the candidate and these should be evaluated within the production as a whole.		
	Candidates may have seen a minimalist performance but there is still scope for comparisons with its original performance conditions in relation to the impact of the chosen design element on the production.		
	Candidates should focus on the impact of the chosen design element in their response and give clear examples from the production to support their evaluation to demonstrate their understanding of the play's original performance conditions.		
	There are a number of areas here and a number of angles from which the candidate may develop a response.		
	The idea of theatre moving with the times and engaging the audience of the day is at the centre of the question and encourages candidates to consider the language of theatre and communication in its broadest sense.		
	The most successful answers are likely to be the ones which are rooted in the question and which use the performance seen as the starting point for the response and offers examples alongside this, rather than giving the history lesson and slipping some personal observations into it.		
	A personal response concerning the impact of the chosen design element on the production, and how this might alter or modify the theatre experience for the audience is at the centre of the answer.		

	This should lead the candidate into a response in relation to the impact of the production seen and an understanding of the original performance conditions.	
	There needs to be a balance in the response, reflecting the candidate's understanding of the performance seen in relation to its original performance conditions, demonstrating knowledge of how design may support plays in performance.	
Level	Mark	Descriptor
Level 1	0 - 6	Responses at this level may be heavily descriptive or slight, and will lack any of the necessary connections, although there may be some limited understanding of the play in performance in relation to the demands of the question.
		The candidate will struggle to engage with the experience and will not be able to offer coherent and well-rounded thoughts in relation to either the question and/or the play seen in performance.
		There will be only limited understanding of the impact of the chosen design element in relation to the production as a whole.
Level 2	7- 12	Responses at this level may be heavily descriptive and may lack a number of the necessary connections, although there will be some indication of a response in relation to the play in performance and/or its original performance conditions.
		The specific demands of the question will have little consideration in the answer and the candidate will present information which does not fully connect with its framework, perhaps derived straight from notes.
		There may be some understanding of the impact of the chosen design element evident within the response, particularly towards the higher marks in this level and an adequate indication of how the impact of the play in performance may have been enhanced by a number of other design considerations but not all the connections will have been made.
		There will be little or no appreciation of how the live performance may have compared with the style likely to have been exhibited in the original performance conditions.
		There will be little sense of a coherent response at this level.

Level 3 13 - 18 Responses at this level may be descriptive and may lack a depth of evaluation to take the response into the next level. There may be a clear drift towards the text and/or character study, rather than the performance and/or there may be a strong historical perspective that may dominate the overall response. There will be evidence of understanding in this area but there will be a clear impression of the candidate starting to struggle to supply evidence in support. The contribution of the chosen design element on the production may be limited to examples that are not developed around the question and/or the production as a whole, and there may be a sense of notes being presented, particularly towards the lower marks in this level. Reference will be made to the impact of the chosen design element on both the contemporary production and in the original performance conditions towards the higher marks in this level, but there will be little evaluation of the differences or similarities to show an understanding of the impact in the

There will be less of a sense of a coherent response at this level.

historical context.

19 - 24 Responses at this level will offer clear evidence that the Level 4 candidate has understood the contribution of the chosen design element through the impact on the production seen in relation to its original performance and is then able to relate that information to the demands of the question asked. Examples used will be supported and there will generally be a balance in the comparison as to the impact of the chosen design element for the candidate compared to its original performance, with examples rooted in the performance of the play. The performance seen should be at the centre of the response but there may be some imbalance evident in the examples used in support. Reference will be made to the impact of the chosen design element on both the contemporary production and in the original performance conditions and there will be a perceptible evaluation of the differences/similarities for the candidate as a member of the audience. The impact of the chosen design element may not be evaluated in relation to an overall production concept towards the lower marks in this level, for example, but the information within the response has merit and shows understanding overall. This will be heading towards a coherent and knowledgeable response.

Level 5	25 - 30	Responses at this level will offer clear evidence that the candidate has understood the impact of the chosen design element on the production seen in relation to its original performance and is then able to relate that information to the demands of the question asked.
		Examples used will be supported and there will be a balance in the comparison as to the impact of the chosen design element for the candidate compared to the original performance.
		The examples should be rooted in the performance of the play, not in its literary merits.
		The performance seen should ideally lead the comparison, with ideas springing from that.
		Some candidates may successfully present ideas in this answer using a different approach.
		The comparison should have balance and the examples used should be clearly explored with evaluation evident within the response.
		Reference will be made to the impact of the chosen design element on both the contemporary production and in the original context and there will be a full evaluation of the difference/similarity the impact makes on the historic and contemporary audiences that fully explores the likely interpretation made by the audiences as to the meaning and impact of the play.
		At this level, candidates should be using names of actors, directors, designers and there should be a clear distinction between actor and character. Technical/theatrical terms should be used appropriately. Conclusions drawn should follow logically from the comparisons offered.
		This will be a coherent and knowledgeable response.