



KS3 ACTIVITIES

Drama and Performing Arts – Listening comprehension and Discussion of the qualities needed to be a performer

Adrian Metcalfe is an actor who performs a show about Dylan Thomas. Watch the clip where he gives budding actors some advice. Then, answer the questions below: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oir2k0WKfk>

1. What advice does Adrian Metcalfe give an actor/performer?

2. Watch again the section of Adrian Metcalfe performing. What other tips can you pick up from **watching** his performance?

Discussion points:

1. What general qualities do you need to be a performer?
2. Adrian Metcalfe performs a show about Dylan Thomas in pubs. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of performing in pubs as opposed to performing in a theatre.
3. Is there an important literary /historical figure or sportsperson in your area who could form the basis of a show or play? Discuss your ideas.

Writing activity

- Use the advice and tips provided by Adrian Metcalfe to create a **poster** for your drama/performing arts classroom or studio. You may also wish to include some of the general qualities you discussed.



Links to the Literacy Framework:

Oracy

Developing and presenting information and ideas

Speaking

Year 7

- present topics and ideas clearly, using formal language and varying what they say and how they say it to interest listeners

Year 8

- present topics and ideas coherently, using techniques effectively

Year 9

- present ideas and issues convincingly using a range of techniques for impact

Listening

Year 7

- respond thoughtfully to others' ideas, asking pertinent questions

Year 8

- respond positively and thoughtfully to new ideas and alternative points of view

Year 9

- consider the relevance and significance of information and ideas presented to them



Collaboration and discussion

Year 7

- make a range of contributions to discussions
- reach consensus and agree actions in groups

Year 8

- discuss opposing viewpoints and negotiate ways forward

Year 9

- recognise a range of options for action and reach agreement to achieve the aims of the group