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DRAMA

0411/12

Paper 1

October/November 2025

2 hours 30 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: Copy of pre-release material

INSTRUCTIONS

- Section A: answer **all** questions.
- Section B: answer Question 7 and **one** other question.
- Section C: answer **both** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- The questions in this paper are based on the play extracts from the pre-release material and a devised piece that you have performed. A copy of the pre-release material is provided with this question paper.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Section A: Play extract

King Lear by William Shakespeare

This section is worth 30 marks.
Answer **all** questions in this section.

- 1 As an actor playing the role of EDGAR, suggest **one** way you could show his pretend madness as POOR TOM. Why would this be appropriate?

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- 2 Identify **three** different physical actions you could use to play the FOOL to amuse KING LEAR.

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- 3 Read from line 103 ['Nothing, my Lord.'] to line 136 ['...from this moment on.'].
How would you play the role of CORDELIA in this passage?

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- 4 Read the passage from line 165 [‘Enough preamble, make your point.’] to line 225 [‘he’ll follow his old ways in a new country.’].

How would you direct the actor playing KENT to show his loyalty towards KING LEAR?

[5]

- 5** How would you use sound, lighting and/or special effects for dramatic impact at **one** key moment in the extract?

[5]





How would you direct the actors to show their different responses to the raging storm? [10]

[illegible]



Section B: Play extract

Painting Churches by Tina Howe

This section is worth 25 marks.

Answer Question 7 and **EITHER** Question 8 **OR** Question 9.

- 7 As an actor playing GARDNER, how would you show him displaying signs of confusion and memory loss?

Make close reference to specific lines from the extract in your answer.

[10]

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EITHER

- 8 As a director, what advice would you give the actor playing MAGS for how to handle her parents separately and together?

Make close reference to specific lines from the extract in your answer. [15]

OR

- 9 What challenges would you face in creating a set design for a production of this extract and how would you address them?

Make close reference to specific lines from the extract in your answer. You may include a labelled sketch if you wish. [15]

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Section C: Devised piece

This section is worth 25 marks.
Answer Question 10 **AND** Question 11.

Questions 10 and 11 are based on a devised piece that you have developed and performed.

In the box below **briefly** state the title of your chosen devised piece, the stimulus you used and the part you played.

This information is to help the examiner but is **not** assessed.

TITLE:

STIMULUS:

PART:





10 Explain how and why you made changes to your piece as you progressed through the whole devising process.

Support your answer with examples.

[10]

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- 11** Evaluate how effectively your group presented your characters using vocal and physical skills in your devised performance.

Make close reference to your piece to support your evaluation.

[15]

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