

A-level DRAMA AND THEATRE

Component 1: Drama and theatre

Monday 11 June 2018

Morning

Time allowed: 3 hours

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- An insert with the prescribed extracts
- An AQA 16-page answer book
- A copy of the set texts you have studied. These texts must **not** be annotated and must **not** contain additional notes.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book.
- Answer three questions: one from Section A, one from Section B and one from Section C.
- The questions in Section B are split into three parts. You should answer **all** parts of your chosen question.
- For Section B, refer to the extract booklet provided with this paper.
- You must not answer on **both** Butterworth's Jerusalem and Teale's Brontë.
- For Section C, you must answer on a different play to the plays you answer on in Section A and Section B.
- Do all rough work in your answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

Information

- The marks for each question are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- Questions in Section A carry 25 marks; Section B carries 30 marks; Section C carries 25 marks.
- For the purposes of this examination, a 'section' is defined as a continuous unit of action, interaction, monologue or dialogue extending beyond a single page of text.
- All questions require answers in continuous prose. However, where appropriate, you should support your answers with sketches and/or diagrams.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Section A: Drama through the ages

Answer **one** question from this section.

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You are reminded that you **must not** answer on **both** Butterworth's *Jerusalem* and Teale's *Brontë*.

Sophocles: Antigone

EITHER

As a director, **or** as a performer playing Tiresias, discuss the production **and/or** performance methods you would employ in order to create a significant impact from Tiresias' appearance and interaction with other characters.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Antigone* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

As a set designer, discuss how your ideas for the play would accommodate the action and create an appropriate atmosphere in **at least two** separate sections of the play.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Antigone* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing

OR

0 3

As a designer, **or** as a performer playing Benedick, discuss the production **and/or** performance methods you would employ in **two** sections of the play in order to highlight the absurdity of the trick played on Benedick to persuade him of Beatrice's love.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Much Ado About Nothing* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

0 4

As a director, discuss how you would achieve your preferred effects through your direction of Leonato in **two** sections of the play that occur after Hero's supposed 'death'.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Much Ado About Nothing* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Goldoni: The Servant of Two Masters

OR

0 5

As a director, **or** costume designer for Pantalone and Dr Lombardi, discuss how you would create comedy in **two** sections of the play where they appear together.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *The Servant of Two Masters* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

0 6

As a performer, discuss how you would want your audience to respond to Clarice during the course of the play. How would you perform the role in **at least two** sections of the play in order to achieve your aims?

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *The Servant of Two Masters* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Ibsen: Hedda Gabler

OR

0 7

As a director, **or** a costume designer for the production, discuss how you would highlight the contrast between Hedda Gabler and Thea Elvsted in **at least two** sections of the play in order to achieve your aims.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Hedda Gabler* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

0 8

As a performer, discuss how you would perform the role of Hedda in **at least two** sections of the play in order to reveal her changeable moods to the audience.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Hedda Gabler* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Brecht: The Caucasian Chalk Circle

OR

0 9

As a director, **or** a designer responsible for set **and/or** costume discuss how you would create your preferred effects for your audience in **two** separate sections from Scene 3 of the play set 'In the Northern Mountains'.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *The Caucasian Chalk Circle* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

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As a performer, discuss how you would perform the role of Simon Chachava in **at least two** sections of the play in order to achieve your preferred effects for the audience.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *The Caucasian Chalk Circle* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Fo: Accidental Death of an Anarchist

OR

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As a director, **or** as a designer for costume and make-up, discuss the performance or production methods you would employ in **at least two** separate sections of the play in order to create comedy from the characters presented in the play.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Accidental Death of an Anarchist* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

1 2

As a performer, explain how you would perform the role of The Superintendent in **at least two** sections of the play in order to achieve your preferred effects for the audience.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Accidental Death of an Anarchist* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Butterworth: Jerusalem

OR

1 3

As a director, **or** as a designer, discuss the production **and/or** performance methods you would employ in order to convey your interpretation of Johnny's 'territory' in **at least two** separate sections of the play.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Jerusalem* in your answer.

[25 marks]

OR

1 4

As a performer playing Ginger in **two** separate sections of the play, discuss how you would achieve your preferred effects for the audience through your interaction with different characters.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural **and/or** historical context of *Jerusalem* in your answer.

[25 marks]

Turn over for Section B

Section B: 20th and 21st century drama

Answer **one** question from this section. Answer **all three parts** of the question.

You are reminded of the **requirement** to make reference in your answer to the social, cultural and/or historical context of your selected play text.

You are reminded that you **must not** answer on **both** Butterworth's *Jerusalem* and Teale's *Brontë*.

The extracts for this section are printed in the enclosed insert.

The questions for this section are printed in the following order:

Question number and set play:

15. Lorca: Yerma

16. Williams: The Glass Menagerie

17. Berkoff: Metamorphosis

18. Wertenbaker: Our Country's Good

19. Churchill: Cloud Nine

20. Teale: Brontë

Question 15 Lorca: Yerma

Answer all parts of this question in reference to the extract printed in the enclosed insert. You must make specific reference to the social, cultural and/or historical context of Yerma in your answers and ensure that your interpretative ideas are appropriate to the play as a whole. Explain and justify how you would direct the actors performing Yerma and Victor 1 5 from line 13 to line 89 in order to demonstrate the emotional tension between them. [10 marks] As a performer, explain and justify how you would perform the role of Juan in this 5 |. 2 extract in order to create your preferred audience response to the character. [10 marks] As a designer responsible for both lighting and sound, outline your design ideas for 3 5 .

this extract. Explain and justify how these ideas would help to create an

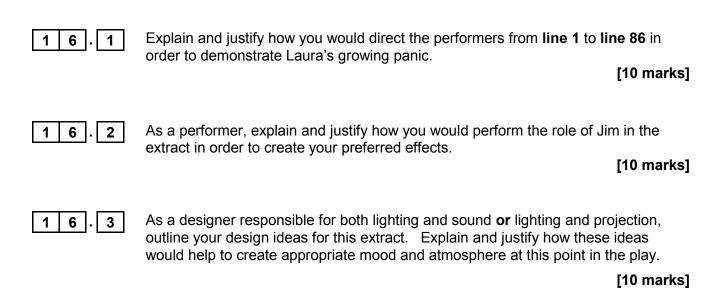
appropriate mood and atmosphere at this point in the play.

[10 marks]

Question 16 Williams: The Glass Menagerie

Answer all parts of this question in reference to the extract printed in the enclosed insert. Please note that this extract has been edited.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural and/or historical context of *The Glass Menagerie* in your answers and ensure that your interpretative ideas are appropriate to the play as a whole.

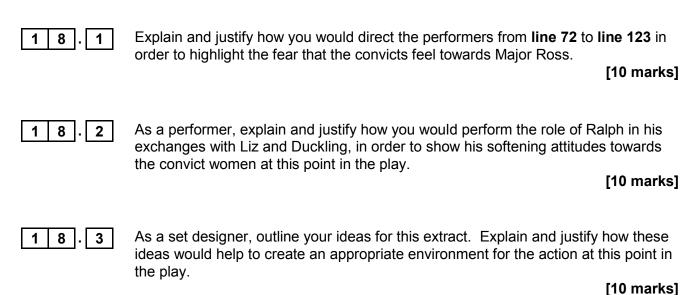


Question 17 Berkoff: Metamorphosis

Answer all parts of this question in reference to the extract printed in the enclosed insert. You must make specific reference to the social, cultural and/or historical context of Metamorphosis in your answers and ensure that your interpretative ideas are appropriate to the play as a whole. Explain and justify how you would direct the performers from line 1 to line 25 in 1 7 | . order to demonstrate your understanding of Berkoff's intended style of acting. [10 marks] As a performer, explain and justify how you would perform the role of Mrs Samsa in order to demonstrate her feelings about Gregor at this point in the play. [10 marks] As a designer responsible for both lighting and sound **or** lighting and projection, outline your design ideas for line 59 to line 105 of the extract. Explain and justify how these ideas would help to create the tension between the past and the present that is evoked at this point in the play. [10 marks]

Question 18 Wertenbaker: Our Country's Good

Answer all parts of this question in reference to the extract printed in the enclosed insert. You must make specific reference to the social, cultural and/or historical context of *Our Country's Good* in your answers and ensure that your interpretative ideas are appropriate to the play as a whole.



Answer all parts of this question in reference to the extract printed in the enclosed insert. You must make specific reference to the social, cultural and/or historical context of *Cloud Nine* in

Question 19 Churchill: Cloud Nine

action.

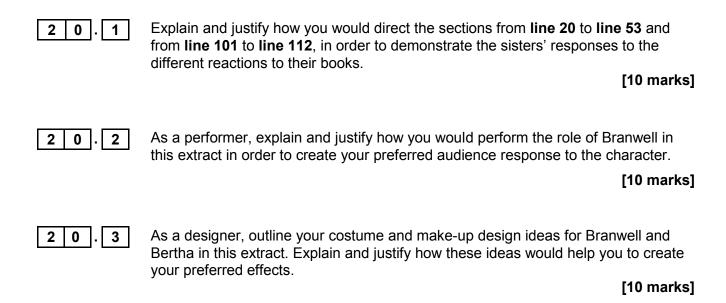
your answers and ensure that your interpretative ideas are appropriate to the play as a whole. Explain and justify how you would direct the performers playing Betty and Clive 9 |.| 1 from line 1 to line 59 in order to create comedy from Churchill's presentation of gender stereotypes in the play. [10 marks] As a performer, explain and justify how you would perform the role of Joshua in this 9 2 extract in order to achieve your preferred effects. [10 marks] As a designer, outline your ideas for set **or** costume. Explain and justify how these 9 3 ideas would help to establish the period and setting of the play at this point in the

[10 marks]

Question 20 Teale: Brontë

Answer all parts of this question in reference to the extract printed in the enclosed insert. Please note that this extract has been edited.

You must make specific reference to the social, cultural and/or historical context of *Brontë* in your answers and ensure that your interpretative ideas are appropriate to the play as a whole.



Section C: Live theatre production

Answer **one** of the following questions with reference to **one** live theatre production that you have seen.

At the beginning of your answer you must state the name of the piece; the name of the company and/or director; the date that you saw the production; and the venue you attended.

You should also state the medium of the production:

- live theatre or
- live theatre streamed.

For Section C, you must answer on a different play to the plays you answer on in Section A and Section B.

EITHER

Briefly explain how lighting **and** set were used together to create a suitable atmosphere at particular moments. Analyse and evaluate the contribution of these combined elements to the total dramatic effectiveness of the production.

[25 marks]

OR

Briefly explain the effects created for the audience by the director's choice of staging configuration and by the actors' use of the space, at particular moments. Analyse and evaluate the contribution that was made to the total dramatic effectiveness of the production by these choices.

[25 marks]

OR

Briefly explain the effects created by the performers' work as an ensemble at particular moments. Analyse and evaluate the contribution of the performers' ensemble work to the total dramatic effectiveness of the production.

[25 marks]

OR

Briefly explain the ways in which **one or more** performer(s) used their performance skills in order to convey their character(s) at particular moments. Analyse and evaluate the contribution of your chosen performer(s) to the total dramatic effectiveness of the production.

[25 marks]

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