

Drama Terms

1. drama:

a story written to be acted out on a stage, with actors taking the parts of specific characters

2. sound effects:

sounds used to create a certain effect

3. scenery:

the arrangement of elements to represent the location of a drama

4. flashback:

an interruption of the action to tell about something that happened earlier in time

5. props:
objects used by actors on stage
6. role:
the part performed by an actor
7. scene/act: Act I, scene i
the structural units of a play
8. dialogue:
talk between two or more
characters
9. foreshadowing:
the use of hints to suggest
action that is to come

10. script:

*the written dialogue, description,
and stage directions provided by
the playwright*

11. soliloquy:

*one character speaking to the
audience -- no other characters
hear this speech*

12. upstage:

toward the rear of the stage

13. downstage:

toward the front of the stage

14. stage left:

*the left side of the stage from
the actor's point of view*

15. stage right:
the right side of the stage from
the actor's point of view
16. audience:
one or more persons who
observe actors in a scene or play
in a classroom or theater
17. backstage:
the area of the stage not visible
to the audience
18. costume:
an actor's stage clothing