

# Countdown to your exams!

Year 11 Exam Preparation Subject: BTEC Tech Award in Performing Arts (Dance and Drama)

**Component 2: Developing Skills and Techniques in Performing Arts** 

### **Exam Paper and deadlines:**

• Task 1: Preparing for a Performance (including rehearsal, research and review)

Deadline: Dance: 15th October Drama: 18th October

• Task 2: Performance to an audience

Provisional Dates- Dance: Tuesday 19th November Drama: Friday 22nd November

• Task 3: Review (2 hour written exam)

**Provisional Date: Friday 6th December** 

#### Content:

#### Task 1 - Preparation

During the rehearsals and preparation, develop and apply your skills and techniques to shape your final performance/designs, including:

- interpretative skills
- performance skills
- characteristics of the style/genre
- communication of meaning, intentions and links to the theme
- personal review and reflection on skills and progress
- response to feedback.

## Task 2 - Performance

Demonstration of the following:

- technical skills
- performance skills appropriate to the piece of professional performing arts work
- application of stylistic and interpretative skills
- communication of your creative intentions.

## Task 3 - Review

Review your development and application of skills and techniques relevant to your rehearsal process and final performance.

The review of your rehearsal/production process should include commentary on your preparation and use of targets to develop your skills and techniques relevant for the piece of professional performing arts work.

The review of your final performance should include commentary on your application of skills and techniques, including strengths and areas to improve actions and targets for further improvement.

Week	Lessons	Intervention	Evidence required/Deadline
beginning		Sessions	
		(Mondays)	
9th September	<ul> <li>Introduction of the Component 2 exam brief theme and exploration of how the selected professional work relates to this.</li> <li>Review and rehearsal of set dance/script extract.</li> </ul>	N/a	Evidence for exam: Filmed Rehearsal footage.
16th September	<ul> <li>Continuation of rehearsal - initial blocking completed.</li> <li>Milestone 1: Research into play/dance linking to the given theme and target setting- evidence for Task 1</li> </ul>	Rehearsal for performance exam/ completion of outstanding Milestone 1	Evidence for exam: Filmed Rehearsal footage.  Milestone 1: Research notes and target setting for Task 1 evidence - Deadline 20th September
23rd September	<ul> <li>Continuation of rehearsal - all blocking completed.</li> <li>Milestone 2: Skills review linking to given theme.</li> </ul>	Rehearsal for performance exam/ completion of outstanding Milestone 2	Evidence for exam: Filmed Rehearsal footage.  Milestone 2:Skills Review for Task 1 - Deadline 27th September
30th September	Continuation of rehearsal - work refined	Rehearsal for performance exam	Evidence for exam: Filmed Rehearsal footage.  Milestone 3:Dance (technical skills) Drama (Skills Development and target review)for Task 1 - Deadline 3rd October
7th October	<ul> <li>Continuation of rehearsal -         interpretative and performance skills         refined.</li> <li>Milestone 3: Dance (technical         skills) Drama Character         Development and target review)         linking to given theme.</li> </ul>	Rehearsal for performance exam/completion of outstanding Milestone 3	Evidence for exam: Filmed Rehearsal footage.  Milestone 3:Dance (technical skills) Drama (Character Development and target review)for Task 1 - Deadline 11th October Drama: Lines have been learnt securely. Deadline: 8th October
14th October	<ul> <li>Continuation of rehearsal - work refined</li> <li>Milestone 4: Dance (interpretative skills)</li> <li>Drama (Review and final improvements)</li> <li>linking to given theme.</li> </ul>	Rehearsal for performance exam/ completion of outstanding Milestone 4	Evidence for exam: Filmed Rehearsal footage.  Milestone 4:Dance (interpretative skills) Drama (Review and final improvements) or Task 1 - Deadline 18th October
21st October	Final rehearsals to refine and perfect practical eczema wok	Rehearsal for Performance Exam	Evidence: Filmed rehearsal footage
28th October	Half term		
4th November	Mock Weeks - if available, final rehearsals for Task 2.	Rehearsal for performance exam	
11th November	Mock Weeks - Mock Performance Exam (Task 2)	Rehearsal for performance exam	Outstanding Task 1 completed - <b>Deadline</b> 12th November
18th November	Task 2 Performance Exam Provisional Date: 22nd November (Drama) 19th November (Dance)	Task 3 Review Revision	Evidence for Exam: Filmed performance Deadline (Provisional) 19th and 22nd November
25th November	Task 3 Review Preparation	Task 3 Review Revision	N/A
2nd December	Task 3 Review Exam (2 hours) Provisional Date: 6th December	n/a	Evidence for exam: Written review (2 A4 sides)

6th	Revision of processes and professional	n/a	n/a
January	works/practitioners		

13th January	Release of Component 3 Exam Brief - Introduction to the exam brief/stimulus. Workshopping styles using the stimulus. Initial responses/ideas for the brief.	Planning for performance exam	N/A	
20th January	Continuation of devising process with a focus on Ideas Log. Theory: Ideas Log preparation.	Activity 1 Preparation	n/a	
27th January	Mock Week 1 - if in lessons, preparing notes for Activity 1 exam.	Activity 1 Preparation	n/a	
3rd February	Notes completed for Activity 1 + Practical work development	n/a		
10th February	Continuation of devising process with a focus on Skills Log - feedback from teacher.  Activity 1: Controlled Conditions Ideas Log Completed - 11th February 2025 P2-3		Activity 1 controlled conditions exam - Ideas log.	
Half term intervention Session - Monday 17th February				

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24th February	Continuation of devising process with a focus on Skills Log Theory - Preparation for Activity 2 Skills Log Part 1	Rehearsing for Performance Exam	n/a	
4th March	Continuation of devising process with a focus on Skills Log Theory - Preparation for Activity 2 Skills Log Part 2	Rehearsing for performance exam	N/A	
10th March	Continuation of devising process with a focus on Skills Log. Final Stages of devising - performance work should be near completion.  Theory - Activity 2 Skills Log notes	Activity 2 Preparation	n/a	
17th March	Activity 2: Skills Log Completed - 21st March 2025 Period 3-4  Finalising Performance piece	Final Rehearsals for Performance Exam	Activity 2 controlled conditions exam - skills log.	
24th March	Rehearsal of performance (potential mock in front of audience) - responding to peer feedback.	Final Rehearsals for Performance Exam	n/a	
31st March	Activity 3: Performance Exam Drama- 2nd April P2-4 Dance -1st April P2-3	Final Rehearsals for Performance Exam	Activity 3: Recording of performance exam	
Easter Holidays - plan an intervention session				
21st April	Theory Preparation for Activity 4: Evaluation - students to complete their notes for Activity 4.	Activity 4 Preparation	N/A	
28th April	Activity 4: Controlled conditions Evaluation Report completed: 29th April 2025	Activity 4 Preparation	Activity 4 controlled conditions exam - evaluation.	
	All work is then sent off to be marked by external examiner - course is completed by 29th April.			