

High School Theatre Performance Rubric

NAME _____

1st Monologue Score

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Memorization/Concentration

Actor has achieved an ownership of lines- as if they are saying their own words.	Actor knows lines well- lines appear to be memorized, accurate and they flow easily. A few unneeded pauses.	Actor hesitates a lot- flow is a bit disjointed, unneeded pauses and awkward hesitations.	Actor knows some lines, but has to ask for help or start over.	Actor clearly doesn't know the lines.
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Stage Presence/Naturalism

Is alert and honest as the character and alive moment to moment. Actor is thinking completely as character and we do not see actor performing. Great emotional commitment and energy, often if not always follows instincts.	Often times alert, moment to moment and honest. At times we see actor performing rather than alive and present as the character. Good emotional commitment and energy. Actor follows instincts much of the time.	Not present as character at times, has moments which are truthful as character but we see actor performing. Sometimes follows instincts and has emotional commitment and energy at points.	See actor performing as the character much of the time rather than present as the character, not instinctual. Weak emotional commitment and energy.	Obviously uncomfortable performing. No emotional commitment or energy. Not instinctual or moment to moment.
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Diction/Projection/Enunciation

Superior vocal control, differentiation in pace, inflection, resonance, quality and very clear and distinct enunciation. Communicates character's uniqueness.	Voice shows excellent expression, differentiation in pace, inflection, resonance, quality and enunciation. Can hear character's uniqueness	Voice shows expression, differentiation in pace, inflection and enunciation. Can hear a unique voice true to the character.	Some expressive moments; inconsistent in quality and pace. Some problems with enunciation & pronunciation. While unique, may not always reflect the character.	Voice is monotone and not expressive; too quick/too slow; too high/too low. Completely indistinct and often unclear. Voice is not true to character.
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Character Development

Actor has internalized the subtext and the actor is transformed into the character throughout the performance. There is a connection between the actor and the audience.	Actor has internalized the subtext to the point that a distinct character has developed. Stayed in character throughout the performance. The actor's performance is believable.	Actor has a distinct character and stayed in character through almost all the performance. The actor's performance is usually believable.	Actor did not have a distinct character and/or broke character several times. Actor does not know what they are talking about.	No sense of character. The actor reciting lines instead of portraying a character.
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Connection to Body/Movement

Actor uses their body (gestures, business, blocking) to help reinforce what they are saying. Their body movement is motivated by the text.	Actor usually uses their body (gestures, business, blocking) to help reinforce what they are saying. Their body movement is usually textually motivated.	Actor sometimes uses their body (gestures, business, blocking) to help reinforce what they are saying. Movement is a bit awkward at times/ fidgety/ lacking movement.	Actor uses little or none of their body (gestures, business, blocking) to help express what they are saying. Their body movement does not make sense with the text.	Actor has no movement or so much movement that it is distracting.
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Overall

Overall effort shows tremendous preparation and consideration.	Overall effort is very good and shows preparation.	Overall effort is good- needs more attention and preparation.	Overall effort is fair- needs much more attention and preparation.	Overall effort is insufficient.
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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

2nd Monologue

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Group Improvisations Score-

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Makes bold Choices

Made large bold choices to help advance the characters and the scene.	Made choices to help advance the characters and the scene.	Made small choices to help advance the characters and the scene.	Made choices that did not help to advance the characters and the scene.	Made no choices at all.
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Stage Presence/Poise/Confidence

Appears very comfortable performing- relaxed and enjoyable to watch.	Appears comfortable performing.	Appears slightly uncomfortable performing.	Often appears uncomfortable performing.	Obviously uncomfortable performing.
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Following the Improv Rules

Has an exceptional understanding of the improv rules and follows them throughout the performance.	Has an understanding of the basic improv rules and follows them throughout the performance.	Has an understanding of the basic improv rules and follows them throughout most of the performance.	Has little knowledge of the improv rules and does not follow many of them throughout the performance.	Has no knowledge of the improv rules.
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Overall

Skills developed to an advanced level.	Skills developed to a good level.	Skills are developing.	Skills are just beginning to develop.	Skills are not yet developed.
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Direction Taken Score

10-9-8

7-6-5

4-3-2

1-0

Student immediately jumps into character with change and is present and truthful. Student is alive in their performance.	Student internalizes direction and change is seen. However, you can still see actor thinking about performance.	Student made some attempt to play character with direction but did not internalize or change much.	Student made little to no attempt to play their character with new direction.
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ARTISTS STATEMENT

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9-8-7

6-5-4

3-2-1

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Student expresses a strong desire for the arts and great interest in learning how to hone his/her skills in this area. Student is knowledgeable about his/her craft.	Student expresses a desire to do theatre and shows knowledge about his/her craft.	Student expresses a slight desire to do theatre. Student does not display much knowledge about his/her craft.	Student does not show any interest in theatre. Student has no knowledge about his/her craft.	Student did not answer question.
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