



CREATE YOUR OWN PUPPET SHOW

DRAMA 5: Rehearsals (KS1 / KS2)

How do we put all art forms together?

We are going to be looking at the rehearsal process. Our plan is to put together all the creative elements that we have learnt, **from drama, art and music.**

So, by now you will have created your puppets, or characters. You will have invented a story or adapted a well-known story. You will have composed your own music and created soundscapes.

Now you are ready to rehearse your performance!

What does a rehearsal mean?

It means to practice or do a trail run of your play before anyone else sees it.

Let's follow these Five Steps!

1. Practice makes perfect.

- a. Make sure if you have any lines to say, or speech for your character. Repeat, repeat, repeat!
- b. Also, if you have musical soundscapes, make sure you have practiced those to.
- c. Once you know these off by heart, rehearsing will be a piece of cake.

2. Know your order.

- a. If you made a script or storyboard, look over these and remind yourself of the order of your play.
- b. So, you can know, where the music comes in.
- c. When to change a scene.
- d. When to bring your characters in!

3. Set your stage!

- a. Have your backdrop ready and all your props, objects and puppets ready. Have whatever you need for your music ready also.
- b. Think about lighting, could you change the mood with lamps? Ask a grown-up for permission of course!
- c. To do this you could have a stage manager to help. A stage manager is someone who oversees behind the play. So can help with set, lighting and music.
- d. You could also be your own stage manager!

4. Direct!

- a. Break it down, practice each scene at a time, from beginning, middle and end.
- b. Maybe have a director who could help you when you practice.
- c. You could also be your own Director, if you have a mirror so you watch yourself perform and see how to make your performance even better!

5. Lights, Camera, Action!

- a. Once you have all this in place, do a trail run of your performance as if it was the real deal.
- b. Make sure you run it from start to finish and then you will be ready.
- c. All there is left to do is send out the invites to everyone in your household!

Good Luck!

