

# Theatre in English



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# theater



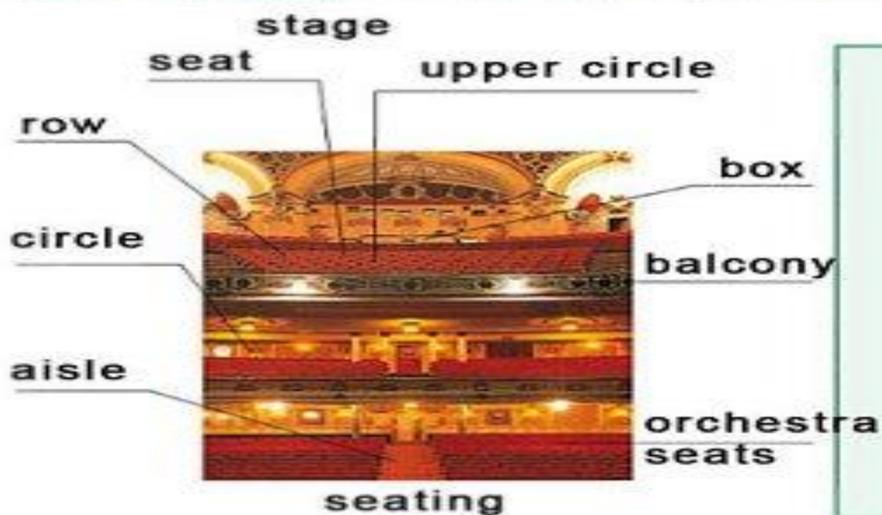
curtain

wings

set

audience

orchestra



stage

seat

upper circle

row

box

circle

balcony

aisle

orchestra  
seats

seating

actor

play

cast

actress

producer

interval

program

script

# Match the words with pictures:



Performance

Seats

A balcony

Tickets

Scene

We go to the theatre to see a play, that is to say, a performance given by actors and actresses. A play of a serious character, dealing with important human problems is called a tragedy. A play of a humorous, lighter character is a comedy (or a farce). Dramatists are called playwrights nowadays and there are no longer such great dramatists as Shakespeare or G. B. Shaw.

If we want to go to a theatre we buy tickets at the box-office and show them to the attendant at the entrance. In the building there is a hall, a large foyer and a cloak-room where we leave our overcoats, hats, etc. The audience can walk in the foyer in the intervals. Many doors lead to the auditorium consisting of stalls, boxes and balconies. In front of the auditorium there is a curtain separating it from the stage. The curtain rises when the play begins and falls at the end of each act.

Many people must work together to produce a play. The author writes it; the producer conducts the acting; carpenters, mechanics, designers prepare the scenery; electricians and light operators see to the light effects and operate the floodlights. We, the playgoers (or fans) demand an interesting plot, good acting, impressive scenery — that is two hours of good entertainment.



Answer these questions:

a) What is a theatre?

b) What theatrical performances can we see in a theatre?

c) What people take part in theatrical productions?

d) Do you know any of famous theatres?

e) What seats do you think to be the cheapest?

f) What are the most convenient seats?

g) When do people buy standing room?

Revision of the vocabulary. Read the definition, write the word or word-group on a card and put it in a proper place in the scheme of a theatre:

a) a place where a performance takes place

b) the second main part of the theatre

c) the hall is separated from the stage by

d) they are at the sides of a stage

e) this thing covers the stage

f) they illuminate the stage from above

g) they illuminate the stage from beneath

h) the seats on the ground floor

i) the seats nearer the stage are

j) the passages between the rows of stalls are

k) the raised part of the ground floor

l) the small compartments nearer the stage and separated by an aisle from the stalls

m) the seats in the first floor

n) the seats in the first floor and nearer the back

o) the farthest and cheapest seats where standing room is available for the lowest admission fee

## ОТВЕТЫ

- a) (the stage)
- b) (the auditorium or hall)
- c) (the orchestra pit)
- d) (the wings)
- e) (the curtain)
- f) (to plights)
- g) (footlights)
- h) (the stalls)
- l) (orchestra stalls)
- j) (aisles)
- k) (the pit)
- l (the boxes)
- m) (the balcony)
- n) (the dress circle)
- o) (the gallery)



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Используйте слова и выражения данного занятия.

Thank you for your  
attention!!!

