

The theatre

11th form



A theatre company

- **A cast** are people who take part in a show or a performance:
 - an actor
 - an actress
 - an understudy
 - a singer
 - a (ballet) dancer
 - a prompter
- **Other people:**
 - a playwright
 - a stage manager
 - a stage designer
 - a costume designer
 - a make up man
 - an attendant

PERFORMANCES are

- a comedy
- a tragedy
- a tragicomedy
- a drama / a play
- a musical
- an opera
- a ballet



The theatre company

- stage / put on a play
- rehearse a play = have rehearsals
- play, sing, dance
- wear costumes and make-up
- perform for the audience
- have / take / answer curtain calls



The audience

- buy tickets/ seats for a play
- leave coats and hats in the cloakroom
- buy a program
- take out opera glasses
- find the seats
- watch the performance
- applaud the actors
- call the actors



Before...

- the musicians take their place
- the musicians tune up
- the lights go down
- the curtains go up/rise/ draw



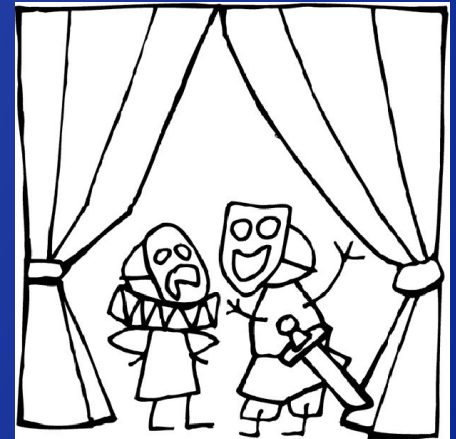
... and after the performance

- the lights go up
- the curtains go down/fall/ draw
- the audience call the actors
- the actors take/ answer curtain calls

Say what you call them

Someone who ...

- writes music or plays a musical instrument is...
- acts in a performance is ...
- writes plays is ...
- dances in ballet is ...
- writes poems is ...
- sings is ...
- comes to watch a performance is ...
- tears a ticket into halves is ...
- stages a play is ...
- makes costumes for a performance is ...
- designs things by making drawings of them is ...
- is very famous and extremely popular is ...



Say what you call them

- Something actors or actresses put on their faces to change their appearance is ...
- The part of the theatre where there are a dress-circle and a gallery is ...
- A funny and light play in the theatre is ...
- A large area inside the theatre where people sit is ...
- A sad or serious play is ...
- A thing that helps you to see the actors and the stage better...
- A group of actors appearing in a performance ...
- The sides of the stage which the audience can't see ...
- The place for two or three persons to sit in and watch the play...
- The place where the musicians play for the performance ...

