Year 8 – Drama – Knowledge – Terms 2

Key words

- Exaggerated
- Slapstick
- Role
- Character
- Characteristics
- Body language
- Facial expressions
- Poise
- Acting/reacting

Silent Movies

The silent movie era spanned approximately three decades, beginning in the 1890s and culminating in the late 1920s. During this time, silent films evolved from newly developed novelties into more lasting forms of art and entertainment. Pioneer developments in "moving pictures" occurred during the 1890s with the patenting of the kinetograph and kinetoscope (1891) by Thomas Edison and W.K.L. Dickson in the United States and the cinematograph (1895) by the Lumiere brothers in France.

Analysing and Evaluating

Speaking Sentence Starters

The work:

explored, conveyed, communicated, showed, presented

This moment was …

The actors made use of….

The actors used these skills……..

The group developed their ideas…….

The group used the space……..

Basic ideas	*Strong ideas*
Reference to stimulus	*not linked*
lacked development	*developed*
Poor	*interesting*
Vague	*clear*
patchy	*consistent*
little evidence of	*constant*
Ineffective	*effective*
under-rehearsed	*well-rehearsed*
Innovative imagination	*lacking*

Working together

Advice

Collaborate/work together

Work safely as directed.

Listen to everyone's ideas

Always keep an eye on the 'big picture'

What is your intention for the piece?

How are you going to use the stage?

SILENT MOVIE STOCK CHARACTERS

The Comical Cops
The Heroine
The Villain's Henchman
The Hero
The Villain

SILENT MOVIE STARS

Charlie Chaplin
Harold Lloyd
Buster Keaton
Mary Pickford

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