



GCSE Drama – Component 3: Theatre Makers in Practice

The total assessment time for this examination has been increased to 1 hour 45 minutes. This change will come into effect for first assessment in 2020.

Below are revised recommendations on how this new timing could be applied to each section of the examination.

Section A: Bringing Texts to Life

The revised recommended total to spend on this section is between 75–80 minutes.

Recommended approach – 75 minutes	
Reading the extract and questions	8 minutes
Question (a)(i)	4 minutes
Question (a)(ii)	6 minutes
Question (b)(i)	14 minutes
Question (b)(ii)	20 minutes
Question (c)	23 minutes

Section B: Live Theatre Evaluation

The revised recommended total to spend on this section is between 25–30 minutes.

Recommended approach – 25 minutes	
Question 9(a)	10 minutes
Question 9(b)	15 minutes

We then recommend that students take at least 5 minutes to check through their answers.