

## Elements of Drama



### Plot:

What happens in the story.

### Dialogue:

These are the lines of text that the characters speak in the play.

### Description:

Detailed information about what has already happened before the play begins.

### Stage Directions:

This information tells the actors what to do.

### Setting:

Where the story takes place.

Characters: People or animals that are part of the story.

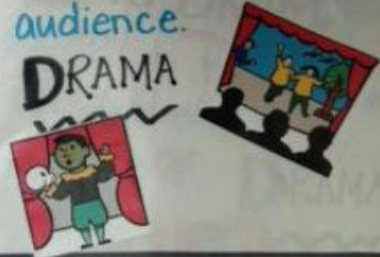
Theme: The lesson or message the author is trying to convey.

## What is DRAMA?

A story intended to be performed by actors for an audience.

## ELEMENTS of DRAMA

Acts/Scenes: the parts a play is divided into.



Characters: who is in the play

Script: contains lines the characters say and the stage directions.

Narrator: gives audience info about what's happening in the play.

Stage Direction: tells the actors where to go, how to move, and how to speak.

Dialogue: the lines the character's speak

Setting: changes with each scene

<u>Word</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Example(s)</u>
<i>Structural Element</i>	<i>Special features of texts</i>	<i>Setting, dialogue, descriptions</i>
<i>Dialogue</i>	<i>The words a character says in a play or story.</i>	<i>"The better to eat you with."</i>
<i>Cast of Characters</i>	<i>A list of characters in a play, usually in order of appearance.</i>	<i>Little Red Riding Hood, Grandmother, Wolf</i>
<i>Stage Directions</i>	<i>Tells the actors how to act and speak or what should happen on stage.</i>	<i>The wolf changes to a soft voice.</i>
<i>Setting</i>	<i>Where and when a story or play takes place</i>	<i>Inside the mystic forest</i>
<i>Script</i>	<i>The written text of a drama</i>	<i>Wolf: [changes voice] The better to eat you with.</i>
<i>Description</i>	<i>Gives details about how setting or characters look.</i>	<i>The grandmother lived out in the woods, half a league from the village.</i>