

PLAYSCRIPTS

A PLAYSCRIPT TELLS A STORY AND SHOWS CHARACTERS MOSTLY THROUGH DIALOGUE. THERE ARE ESSENTIALLY TWO AUDIENCES YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT WHEN WRITING A PLAYSCRIPT:

- **THE ACTORS – THEY NEED TO KNOW WHAT TO DO AND SAY**
- **THE PEOPLE WATCHING THE PLAY – YOU WANT THEM TO REALLY ENJOY IT**

CHECKLIST:

- **SETTING OF THE SCENE (A SHORT DESCRIPTION OF WHERE THE SCENE IS SET)**
- **STAGE DIRECTIONS IN BRACKETS (WHAT YOU NEED TO TELL YOUR ACTORS TO DO I.E. HOW THEY MOVE AND HOW THEY SPEAK)**
- **CHARACTERS NAMES ARE WRITTEN ON THE LEFT AND ARE FOLLOWED BY A COLON**
- **NO SPEECH MARKS FOR DIALOGUE!**