STAGECRAFT - TEAM TEACHING
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Topic Overview/ Objectives:
• To co-teach stagecraft and group performance to first year students using their studied novel 'Wonder'.
• To work collaboratively to prepare students for their performance and to assess their learning through shared questioning and discussion.
• To fulfil a range of learning outcomes for both students and teachers.

Group Activity

KWL - Lesson

Know
Students know the story of the novel, have analysed the various characters and have experience of acting through drama and film.

Want to know
We wanted the students to become aware of the importance of the elements of stagecraft needed to convey a scene from the novel both visually and verbally, paying attention to setting, props, body language/movement and tone of voice.

Learned
After reading the evaluation post-its and monitoring the students in their acting and awareness of how to make improvements, we found the students learned how important tone of voice is when playing a character, the importance of facial expression and body language and notably the importance of speak to the audience and not the script.