

Vocabulary Cards

Contents and Features

Side A: Term

Side B: Definition

Contents

- ◆ 300 cards
- ◆ 4 color-coded sets
- ◆ 75 cards per set
- ◆ Durable, portable box
- ◆ Plastic tabs (4)
- ◆ Instructions booklet
 - 75+ activity ideas
 - Arts integration
 - Literacy/ELA
 - Master lists (4)

Features

- ◆ Playing card quality
- ◆ Engaging colors
- ◆ 3x5 size easy to hold
- ◆ Readable from distance
- ◆ Definitions & examples
- ◆ Phonetic pronunciation
- ◆ Sub-categories (12)
- ◆ Literacy connections
- ◆ Vocab levels: K-12

Performance Terms

projection

Acting

Definition

Speaking loudly enough (without yelling) for the entire audience to hear.

Production Terms

props

Elements of Theatre

Definition

Portable objects (real or pantomimed) used by performers in a production for stage or screen; short for properties.

Literary Terms

setting

Story Elements

Definition

The place and time in which a scene, story, or play occurs.

Beq: the farm and giant's house in *Jack and the Beanstalk*
Int: the farm, Munchkinland, and Emerald City in *The Wizard of Oz*
Adv: the city streets, Juliet's house, and churchyard in *Romeo and Juliet*

Genres

fairy tale

Literary

Definition

A children's story about magical creatures and adventures in a make-believe land.

Elements: magic, good conquers evil, a journey, rule of three
Characters: magical creature, animal, monarch, stepmother, witch, wolf
Examples: *Jack and the Beanstalk*, *Cinderella*, *Rapunzel*, *Puss in Boots*

Side A: Term and Categories



3x5 size is easy to hold in hand ready to select/show

Main category for card organization

Performance Terms

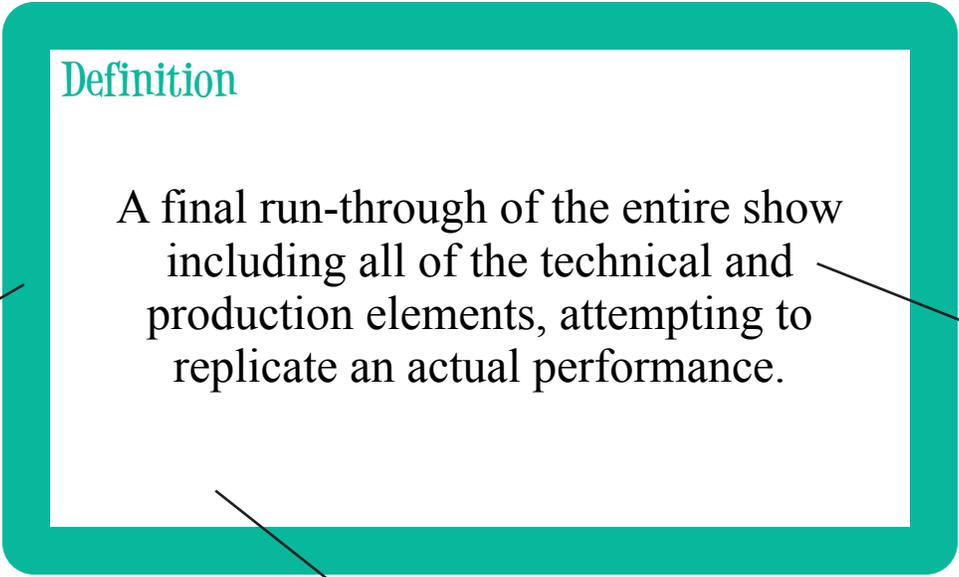
**dress
rehearsal**

Rehearsal & Show

Large type easy to read from distance

Subcategory for sorting by topics

Side B: Definition



Border same color for all 75 cards in set

Definition

A final run-through of the entire show including all of the technical and production elements, attempting to replicate an actual performance.

Definitions teach to the standards

3x5 size fits in pocket charts and word walls

Educational Uses

Theatre and Literary Terms

Literary Terms

exposition

Story Elements

Definition eks-poh-ZI-shuhn

Information early in the plot that establishes the backstory for character, setting, and situation.

Genres

Genres

**science
fiction**

Literary

Definition

A genre of stories set in an imagined future depicting space or time travel and involving advances in technology or science.

Elements: space travel, time travel, futuristic technology, aliens
Characters: astronaut, alien, creature, scientist, robot
Examples: *Foundation, The Martian Chronicles, Dune, Ender's Game*

Teach Theatre Arts

- ◆ Acting concepts
- ◆ Production concepts
- ◆ Playwriting elements

Teach Literacy/ELA

- ◆ Literary terms
- ◆ Dramatic literature
- ◆ Poetry

Teach Theatre Arts

- ◆ Theatre history
- ◆ Scene/story starters
- ◆ Improvisation prompts

Teach Literacy/ELA

- ◆ Creative writing starters
- ◆ Types of literature
- ◆ Media literacy

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Box Features



Full-color lid with 4 sides

Box top slides over bottom



Plastic tabs keep cards organized

Extra space to easily remove cards

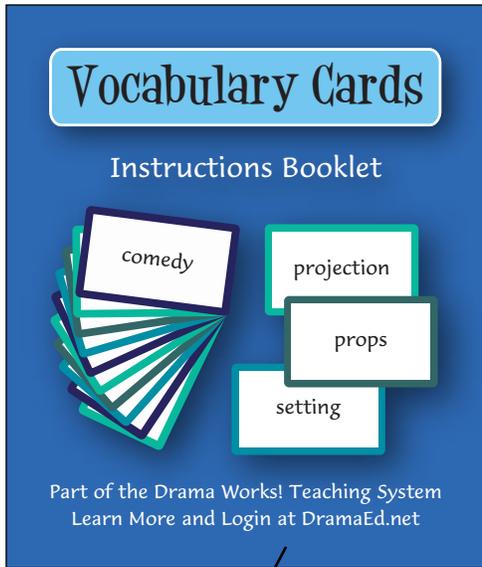
Summary

- ◆ 2-part box with removable lid
- ◆ Top slides over bottom
- ◆ Contents securely protected
- ◆ 4 plastic tabs organize cards
- ◆ Extra space makes it easy to remove and replace cards in box



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Instructions Booklet



Cover

Summary

- ◆ 26 full-color, glossy pages
- ◆ Instructions and tips
- ◆ Literacy connections
- ◆ Arts integration strategies
- ◆ 75+ activity ideas
- ◆ Master lists for all 4 sets

<p>Vocabulary Cards: Philosophy</p> <p><u>Purpose</u> These cards are designed to teach standards-based theatre and literary terms for students of all ages. The vocabulary was selected to meet state and national standards in arts education and ELA, and to balance a variety of related topics. The definitions are written to be applicable to theatre, English, and all of the visual and performing arts in grades K-12.</p> <p><u>The “See it, Hear it, Do it” Method</u> The 3x5 size with large type helps players read the card from across the room, which also reinforces spelling (See it). When the leader or player says the word aloud, pronunciation is reinforced (Hear it). Acting helps players to connect to words physically (Do it). Show the card, say the word, and act the meaning to integrate visual, auditory, and kinesthetic learning styles. This approach helps increase players’ vocabulary.</p>	<p>Vocabulary Cards: Content</p> <p><u>Bonus Details for Literary Terms</u> Many of the literary terms, and most of the poetry cards, include detailed examples of the concept from language and literature. These examples have been carefully selected to provide a more comprehensive understanding of the term than a standard dictionary definition. The leader can choose to focus on one or more of the indicated levels at a time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Beg-beginner (nursery rhymes, fairy tales) ◆ Int-intermediate (jr. fiction, classic poems) ◆ Adv-advanced (Shakespeare, classic verse) <p><u>Bonus Details for Genre Cards</u> All of the genre cards include carefully selected examples that summarize the genre based on extensive research into the history of theatre, literature, film, television, and other media.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Elements-recognizable aspects of the genre ◆ Characters-typical roles/types of the genre ◆ Examples-titles of representative works
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Teacher tips for using the cards

<p>LITERARY TERMS ①</p> <p><u>STORY ELEMENTS</u></p> <p>antagonist backstory character climax complications conflict denouement exposition falling action five Ws flashback foreshadowing genre inciting incident mood obstacle plot point of view protagonist</p> <p>resolution rising action setting subject theme turning point</p> <p><u>SCRIPT ELEMENTS</u></p> <p>act aside catharsis chorus conventions dialogue deus ex machina epilogue hamartia monologue narrator pathos play</p>	<p>LITERARY TERMS ②</p> <p>prologue prose reversal scenario scene script soliloquy stage directions stock characters symbolism unities verse</p> <p><u>POETRY</u></p> <p>allegory alliteration allusion assonance connotation consonance couplet</p> <p>denotation euphemism form hyperbole idiom irony malapropism metaphor meter onomatopoeia oxymoron personification proverb pun refrain simile stanza syntax</p>
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Master lists for quick reference

See all cards in each set

Vocabulary Cards

Card Design: Poetry

Side A: Term and Categories



Literary

alliteration

Poetry

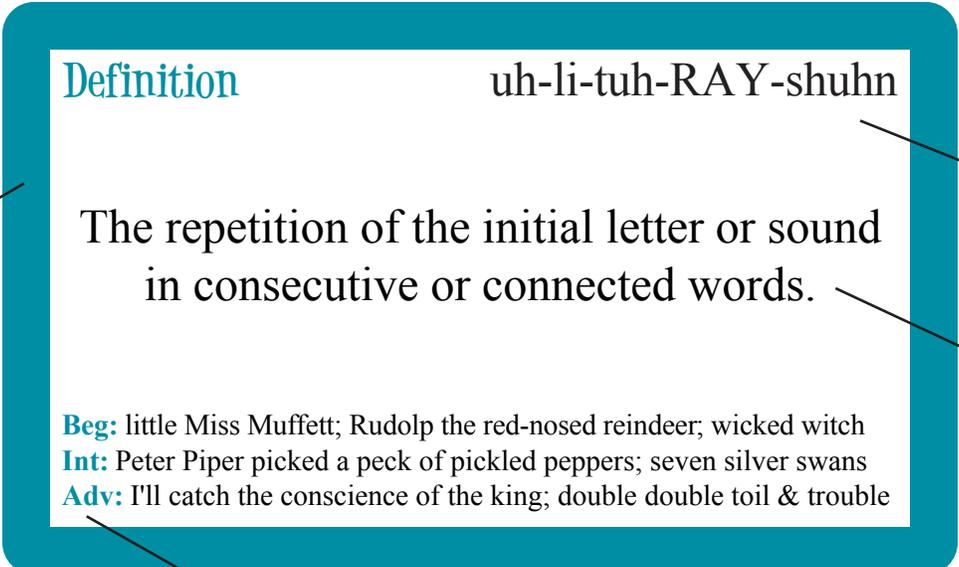
Main category for card organization

Large type easy to read from distance

3x5 size is easy to hold in hand ready to select/show

Subcategory for sorting by topics

Side B: Definition and Examples



Definition uh-li-tuh-RAY-shuhn

The repetition of the initial letter or sound in consecutive or connected words.

Beg: little Miss Muffett; Rudolp the red-nosed reindeer; wicked witch
Int: Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers; seven silver swans
Adv: I'll catch the conscience of the king; double double toil & trouble

Border same color for all 75 cards in set

Phonetic pronunciation

Definitions teach to the standards

Beginner, intermediate and advanced examples from nursery rhymes to Shakespeare

Side A: Term and Categories



Genres

melodrama

Theatre History

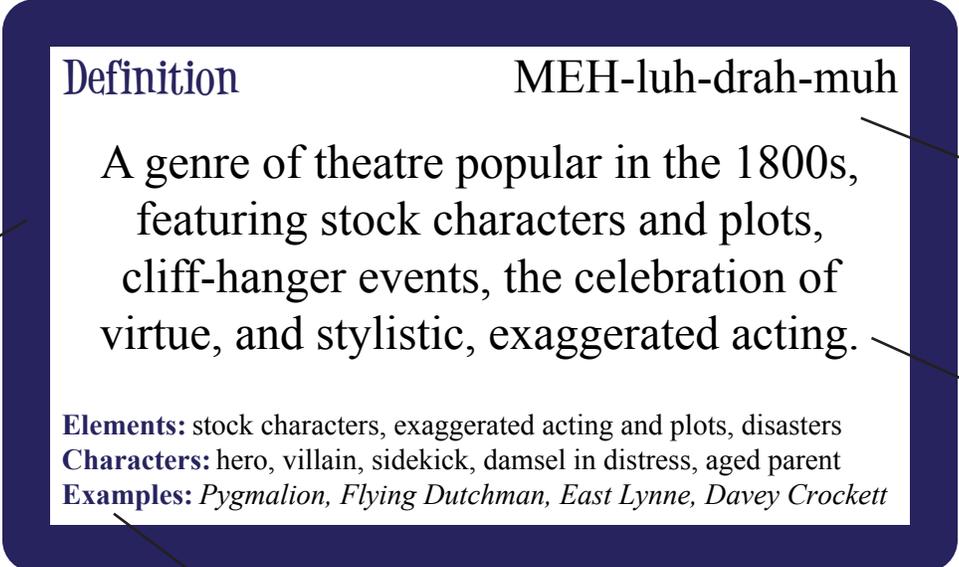
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Side B: Definition and Details



Definition **MEH-luh-drah-muh**

A genre of theatre popular in the 1800s, featuring stock characters and plots, cliff-hanger events, the celebration of virtue, and stylistic, exaggerated acting.

Elements: stock characters, exaggerated acting and plots, disasters
Characters: hero, villain, sidekick, damsel in distress, aged parent
Examples: *Pygmalion, Flying Dutchman, East Lynne, Davey Crockett*

Border same color for all 75 cards in set

Phonetic pronunciation

Definitions teach to the standards

Summary of the genre's elements and characters, with examples provided

Performance Terms

Side A: Term and Categories

Side B: Definition

Performance Terms

articulation

Acting

Definition

ahr-tik-yoo-LAY-shuhn

Enunciating vowel and consonant sounds clearly enough for the entire audience to understand.

Performance Terms

**dress
rehearsal**

Rehearsal & Show

Definition

A final run-through of the entire show, including all of the technical and production elements.

Summary

- ◆ 75 Performance Terms
- ◆ 50 Acting
- ◆ 25 Rehearsal & Show

Production Terms

Production Terms

lighting

Elements of Theatre

Definition

The art of designing how light is used to communicate mood, setting, character, or ideas in a production for stage or screen.

Production Terms

costume
designer

Jobs of Theatre

Definition

The person who creates and constructs the costumes used in a production for stage or screen.

Production Terms

dressing
room

Theatre Spaces

Definition

A room in which the performers get into costumes and makeup.

Production Terms

spike

Technical Theatre

Definition

To mark with chalk or tape a location on the stage for the placement of scenery or performers.

Summary

- ◆ 75 Production Terms
- ◆ 11 Elements of Theatre
- ◆ 14 Jobs of Theatre
- ◆ 25 Theatre Spaces
- ◆ 25 Technical Theatre

Vocabulary Cards

Literary Terms

Side A: Term and Categories

Side B: Definition and Examples

Literary Terms

conflict

Story Elements

Definition KAHN-flikt

The main problem or source of tension in the plot of a story or play; comes from character's struggle against nature, society, self, another person, or the supernatural.

Literary Terms

script

Script Elements

Definition

The written text of a play, including dialogue and stage directions.

Literary Terms

onomatopoeia

Poetry

Definition AH-nuh-MAH-tuh-PEE-uh

A word that represents a sound and, when pronounced, indicates the sound it represents.

Beg: baa, meow, moo, hiss, honk, buzz, boom, bang, beep, pow, creak
Int: clatter, fizz, gargle, moan, rev, rumble, screech, sizzle, zoom
Adv: I hear the strain of strutting chanticleer cry cock-a-diddle-dow.

Summary

- ◆ 75 Literary Terms
- ◆ 25 Story Elements
- ◆ 25 Script Elements
- ◆ 25 Poetry

Genres

Side A: Term and Categories

Side B: Definition and Details

Genres

**musical
theatre**

Theatre History

Definition

A theatrical production consisting of dialogue, music, song, dance, and story.

Elements: song, dance, story, spectacular group dance numbers, chorus
 Characters: romantic lead, comic relief, villain, friend, tragic hero
 Examples: *Oklahoma*, *Gypsy*, *A Chorus Line*, *Cats*, *The Lion King*

Genres

mystery

Literary

Definition

A genre of stories that centers around the investigation of a crime or mysterious secret.

Elements: crime or mystery, clues, investigation, traps, deductions
 Characters: detective, suspect, criminal, victim, police, witness
 Examples: *Sherlock Holmes*, *Encyclopedia Brown*, *Nancy Drew*

Genres

soap opera

Media Arts

Definition

A television genre that follows a group of characters over time with an emphasis on family life, personal relationships, emotional conflicts, and tragedies.

Elements: implausible events, family dynamics, relationships, scandal
 Characters: family member, friend, criminal, gossip, leader
 Examples: *Days of Our Lives*, *All My Children*, *Desperate Housewives*

Summary

- ◆ 75 Genres
- ◆ 25 Theatre History
- ◆ 25 Literary
- ◆ 25 Media Arts