

Theatre Final

Short Answer

3 types of Shakespeare- History, Comedy, Tragedy

3 types of sources for Greek theatre- visual art, extant text, archeological ruins, government records, scripts, masks, finance receipts

3 types that Brecht said were the alienation effect

-Break the fourth wall, juxtapose odd elements on stage, placards, keep lights on in Theat, encourage smoking eating and discussion in audience

3 types of Greek plays- Comedy, Tragedy, Satyr

Essay

Rent- Sales Pitch to Revive Rent. Would it be successful according to modern musical theatre?

Grossed 280 million so clearly Americans enjoyed watching it. Most popular musicals in today's time are very based on costumes, special effects, and flashing lights: also known as spectacle musicals. Twelve year run which is the 8th longest in history. Attracts young audiences which can help get rid of the graying of the American theatre. Many generations talk about this play, but our generation never got the chance to see Rent live, just on video for the most part.

Othello- Describe a Shakespeare Theatre and describe Othello.

Three layer audience, with rich sitting up top and the poor standing close to the stage. Thrust stage, overhanging roof, columns on each side. Tiring House- changing room. Two entrances to the stage. The audience for the most part was lower to middle class. People smoked and ate at the theatre and used the corners of the theatre as a bathroom.

Othello doesn't give promotion to Lago and instead gives it to the less deserving Casio who does not have any battle experience. Lago gets upsets to make it seem like Desdemona, Othello's wife, is having affair with Cassio. Lago receives the handkerchief and plants it in Cassio's belongings. Othello smothers his wife and kills her once he realized that his wife is having an affair. After killing her, he realizes that it was a set up and he stabs himself in the eye and kills himself, hoping Lago will live with guilt on his shoulders.

Dolls House- describe how realism came up, examples from play

List 3 factors that lead to the realism movement (1. Industrial Revolution 2. Darwin Marx. 3. Urban poor and slums

Realism because a doll's house had complex characters, none of their actions are black and white, and deals with contemporary settings/issues/life. Nora does a lot of lying for benefit of her families good. Kogstand is blackmailing Nora, but it is order to keep his job. When Torvold screams at her for taking out the loan, technically it is rude to yell at your wife, but it well

deserving. At the end when Nora walks out, she “Slams” the door and it is known as the “Slam heard around the world”, which is a very realistic thing to do if a wife is leaving their husband.

Explain the urinal, DADA. Describe it and think whether it is art or not and why?

Someone took a picture of a urinal and called it art. Dada is known as a type of art that is nonsense. Pushes the boundaries of art. I don't feel the “fountain” is a representation of art, since Michael Duchamp simply painted an already made object and just signed it.

Performance Studies- pick an area of performance studies and describe the audience, actors, does it fit the definition of theatre.

The Olympics is an example of athletic, political, and cultural performance. According to the definition they have rehearsals of the opening and closing ceremonies, they wear costumes that represent their countries. Also, the actors can be the competitors and they are aware that they are in front of a live audience and people are watching through the television worldwide.

How I learned to Drive? Is Uncle Peck a sympathetic character, give examples?

Yes, he is a man who is recovering from being in the military and an alcoholic. Peck is the only one in his family that is nice to Lil' Bit and supportive of her plans to go to college. He teaches her to drive a car even after the bad experience he had with Lil' Bit in the car. Lil' Bit feels good about herself once she learns how to drive a car. Only member to send her gifts at college, and remember her birthday. Peck gave her the freedom she feels when she drives. Although Peck did some unforgivable things to his niece, he did most of these things because he was messed up from alcohol and the military side effects.

Why was he pinned to tree? Preparing to commit suicide, practicing how to do it.

Othello

How did he kill himself? Stabbed in the eye

How did he kill Desdemona? Smothered her

Dolls House

What did doctor try and tell her? He loved her

Twin brothers and their life, what are they searching for? Each other, separated at birth, mistaken for each other. Answer is C.

Who Antigone wants to bury? Her brother

Why Creon was bad? He would not let Antigone give a proper burial to her brother.

Turner: Theatre of Ritual

Schechner: Ritual of Theatre.

Characters in Clit Notes, how many? One

In spurt of the blood, where did the blood come from? God's wrist/hand.

Why can she give up shame? Kiss her mom without being judged.

How I Learned to Drive

What Greek methods did How I Learned to Drive use? Chorus.

Where is Hell's Mouth from? Medieval Theatre, get people dressed as devils, create bad smells —tried to make hell seem real

Who wrote Antigone? Sophocles.

Who is Horace: the roman counterpart to Aristotle who wrote a book about drama and theatre and said art should teach but also be entertaining

Who is first women playwright? Hroswitha of grandersheim- German nun who wrote plays about Christian themes in medieval times

Why they showed a movie to soldiers? Could relate to them. Coping with issues.

Wole Soyinka- Nigerian who won Nobel Prize in literature

Augusto Boal- Brazilian who focused on the oppressors Why important?- He felt theatre was a weapon and could be used a tool for domination.

Wayang Kulit- Indonesian, ritual origin, the stage had a large screen, lamp, bamboo log

Where did Torvold and Nora meet? At Court scantily Clad, French dancers intro a melodrama.

Why the Black Crook was first and most popular? Ladies were wearing scandalous clothes.

Oklahoma was first integrated musical.

Rent is an example of? An original musical.

Little Thet. Movement, what it emerged from? Theatrical Syndicate, able to do a lot of experimental work.

Othello is a form of Neoclassicism.

Where did they do theatre in Medieval Times? Church, public playhouses, private playhouses.

Horace and Ars Poetica- The purpose of Art is to edify and delight

What are the Blackfriars? Famous indoor theatre. Built by James Burbage in 1596. Winter home of the King's Men in 1609 and closely resembled the Globe stage.

Bunraku- Japanese puppet theatre

Jinju- China (bejing opera)

Can Creon be the Protagonist in Antigone? **True/False?**