Text Type Guide - Play Scripts

Use a title for your play.

Include a character list.

Set the scene using a short description of where and when the play is taking place.

Include scenes or acts e.g. Scene 1 – In the Forest.

Start a new scene every time the setting changes.

Put the character names on the left side of the page, to show who is speaking.

Use a colon after each character name e.g. Cinderella:

Start a new line every time a different character speaks.

Include stage directions to tell the actor how to speak and move.

Use brackets for the stage directions.





Remember: never use speech marks!