# Year 9 Homework Project

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# Tasks to Complete

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# Mark Scheme

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Presentation is of an outstanding quality and spelling and grammar is nearly always accurate.  All tasks have been completed to an exceptional standard achieving nearly full marks as a result.  The work is well researched and put into students' own words.  Justifications and/or explanations show indepth understanding and appreciation for Dance.	Presentation is of an excellent quality and spelling and grammar is mostly accurate.  All tasks have been completed to a detailed standard achieving 80% marks as a result.  The work is researched and put into students' own words.  Justifications and/or explanations show excellent understanding and appreciation for Dance.	Presentation is of a good quality. There may be some spelling and grammar errors but the student has tried to write in standard English.  All tasks have been attempted to a good standard achieving 70% marks as a result.  The work is researched and mostly put into students' own words.  Justifications and/or explanations show an understanding and appreciation for Dance.	Presentation is of a good quality in places. There may be spelling and grammar errors but the student has tried to write in standard English.  All tasks have been attempted to a good standard achieving 60% marks as a result.  The work shows some element of research and is sometimes put into students' own words.  Justifications and/or explanations show some understanding and appreciation for Dance.	Task is poorly or not attempted.  Presentation is not considered and little or no pride is taken in the work completed.  A consequence will be set to ensure that the student understands the importance of taking pride and putting effort into their homework.

# Requirements of a Dancer

Write down (in your own words) the definition of a professional dancer:	
	(1 mark)
What education do you need to be a professional dancer, look at secondary school, coll university and experience (there are a variety of different pathways so select one to focu	
	(3 marks)
What are the ranges of salary you can expect as a professional dancer. Please state who professional dance each salary represents:	at type of
::::	_ (6 marks)
What are the expected working hours of a professional dancer. Explain your answer:	
	 _ (3 marks)
What are the personality traits employers will be looking for in a professional dancer:	
-	_ (5 marks)
List places dancers looking for professional dance work may find a job:	
	(4 marks)
Write any other research about a professional dancer which you feel is important here: _	
	_ (3 marks)

#### Street Dance Research

Use the following page to complete research about Street Dance. Look at where the style originated from and how it has evolved to its current form. Pick a specific choreographer or dancer to explore in your research (eg- The Royal Family). Think about the stylistic qualities of Street, some key movements you may usually see and key actions. You may present your research with images and spider diagrams along with your text. Make it interesting. (15 marks)

#### Contemporary Dance Research

Use the following page to complete research about Contemporary Dance. Look at where the style originated from and how it has evolved to its current form. Pick a specific choreographer or dancer to explore in your research (eg- Martha Graham). Think about the stylistic qualities of Contemporary, some key movements you may usually see and key actions. You may present your research with images and spider diagrams along with your text. Make it interesting. (15 marks)

#### **Different Roles**

Use the following pages to complete research about a variety of roles you may undertake, training as a dancer.

Give a definition of the role
What are they expected to do in this role
Give an example of someone doing this role
What education do you need to undertake this role
What are the expected working hours
Any other important information about this role

<u>Choreographer</u> (10 marks) <u>Performer</u> (10 marks) <u>Director</u> (10 marks) <u>Teacher</u> (10 marks)

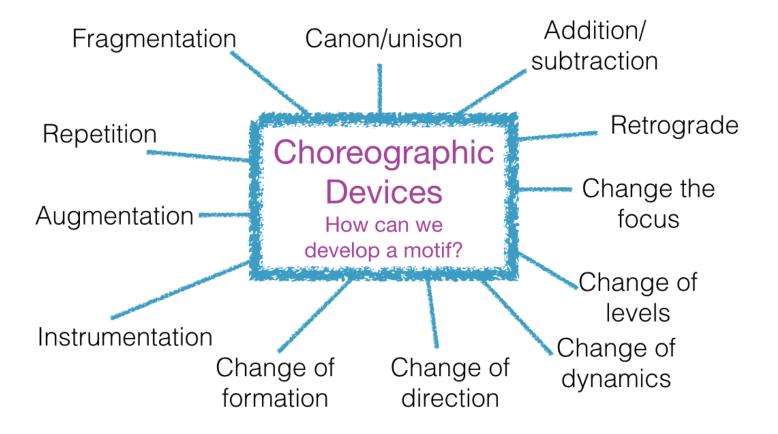
## Performance Skills

Under each skill, give a definition and draw/glue in an example for each skill. **Explain why** each skill is important. (35 marks)

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Spatial awareness
Projection Projection
occuracy
<u>Focus</u>
acial expressions
<u>iming</u>
<u>Energy</u>

#### Choreographic devices

Select 5 choreographic devices and provide a definition and explain how they make a piece of choreography more effective. You may include images to support your answer (25 marks)

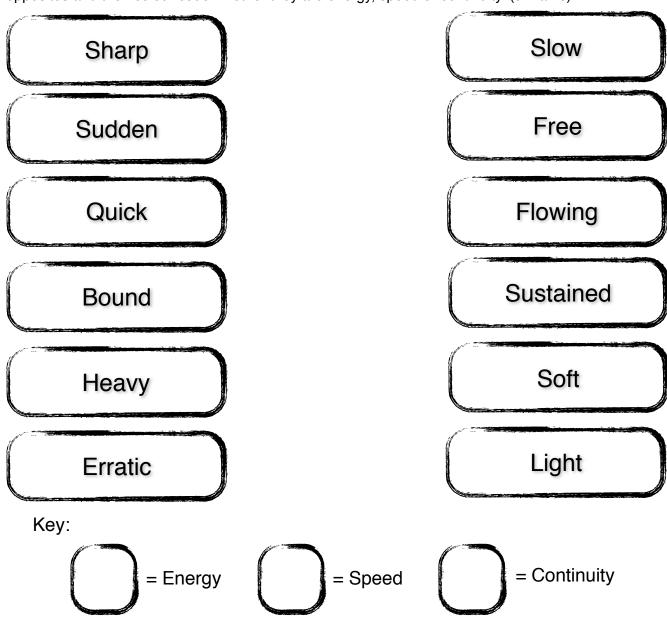


#### **Constituent Features**

Constituent features can be split into 4 areas: Movement components, Dancers, Aural setting and Physical setting. We use constituent features to analyse professional works.

Movement Components	
What are the six dance actions?	(6 marks)
1/	
2/	
3/	
4/	
5/	
6/	

**Dynamics** tells us the way a movement is performed split into three areas: energy, speed and continuity. Below is a variety of different dynamics. You must link up the two dynamics which are opposites and then colour code whether they are energy, speed or continuity. (9 marks)



Explain why <b>space</b> has an important impact on a final performance:	
	(2
	(3 marks)

Label each image with the correct use of space: Direction: Pathways; Levels; Formation; Size (5 marks)









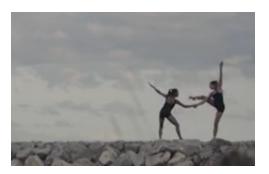


#### **Dancers**

In the following images tell me about the dancers. How many, the gender and what you think their role is (6 marks):



Number: _			
Gender:			
Roles:			



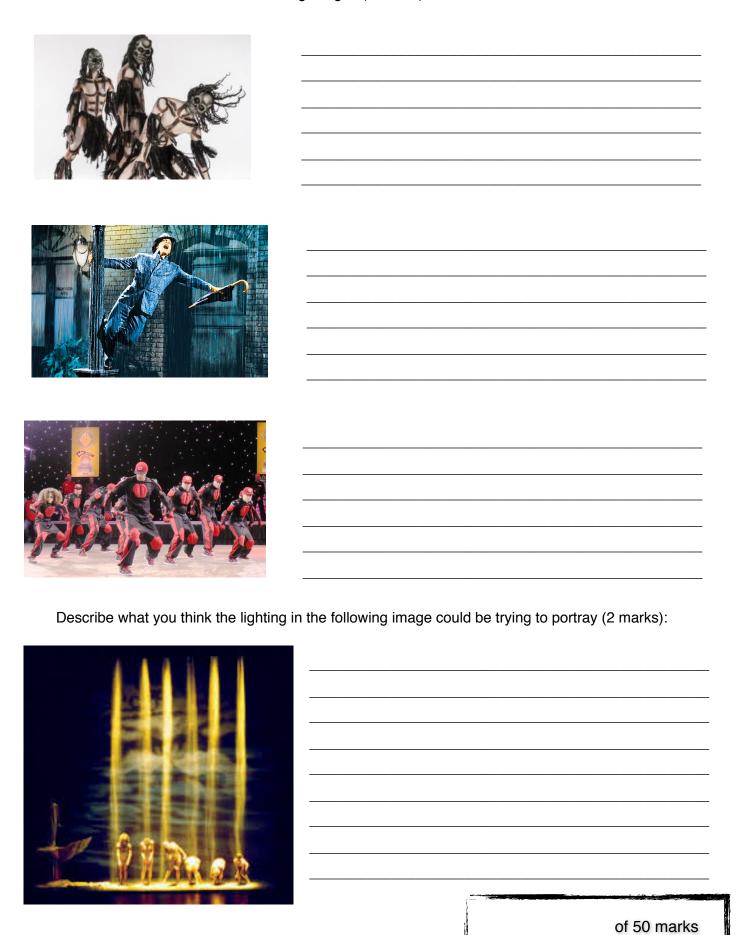
Number:	
Gender: _	
Roles:	

#### **Aural Setting**

Write down the definitions of the following types of aural setting. Try to find an example of a professional dance for each type of aural setting (8 marks)

- Song/ music:	
- Silence:	
Example:	
- Spoken word:	
Example:	
- Natural/found sound:	
Example:	
Physical Setting	
Correct link the meaning and definitions of sused. (4 marks)	some of the different types of staging which can be
Proscenium arch	The audience placed on at least 3 sides of the stage.
In-the-round	A stage that extends into the audience, like a catwalk.
Site specific	Framing the opening between the stage and the auditorium in some theatres.
Thrust	A performance in a location outside of a normal stage/studio.

Describe the costumes in the following images (9 marks):



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# **Dance Analysis**

You must answer the following questions based on your knowledge of constituent features to analyse two professional works. You will find these clips on Show My Homework $^{\text{TM}}$ .

1/ Emancipation of Expressionism - Boy Blue
2/ Revelations - Alvin Ailey Dance Theatre
What staging is it? (2 marks)
1/
2/
What dance style are they? (2 marks)
1/
2/
Describe an action you can see which is repeated? (2 marks)
1/
2/
What dynamics are used and why is this effective? (4 marks)
1/
2/
Describe at least 0 different uses of annual (Consults)
Describe at least 3 different uses of space: (6 marks)
1/

Describe the dancers thinking about number, gender and role (this should relate to the theme
he dance). (6 marks)
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Vhat aural setting has been used? (2 marks)
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Security the contume and explain how it links to the thomas of the dense, (4 montes)
Describe the costume and explain how it links to the theme of the dance: (4 marks)
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Describe how the lighting is effective to help communicate the theme of the dance: (4 marks)
1/
2/

#### **Evaluation**

- 1/ Give a brief description of what activities/tasks you completed to create this final performance piece. Think about your use of choreographic devices.
- 2/ How did your lessons help you improve as a performer? Think about rehearsals, etc.
- 3/ Talk about the strengths you had and why you thought this?
- 4/ Talk about what performance (2 skills) you need to improve? Why do you need to improve these and how will you do it?

5/ Discuss your discipline in rehearsals leading up to the performance. Attendance and punctuality etc.	
6/ If you were to perform this again? How would you improve?	

## References

Write down all websites, books, etc which you have used to complete this homework project booklet.