# Staging play texts

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| Word | Example |
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| **production proposal** | A **production proposal** explains how you would stage a play. |
| **score** /skɔː/ | The music **score** shows when each sound plays. |
| **given circumstances** | The **given circumstances** are the facts of the play: where, when and who. |
| **spine** /spaɪn/ | The **spine** of a play is its central idea. |
| **world of the play** | The **world of the play** is the time, place and rules the story lives in. |
| **embodied** /emˈbɒdid/ | The idea is **embodied**: the actors show it with their bodies. |
| **concept** /ˈkɒnsept/ | The director's **concept** is the big idea for the production. |
| **set** /set/ | The **set** shows a small kitchen. |
| **costume** /ˈkɒstjuːm/ | Her **costume** is a long red dress. |
| **lighting** | Blue **lighting** can make a scene feel cold and sad. |
| **sound** /saʊnd/ | The **sound** of rain plays during the scene. |
| **space** /speɪs/ | Actors use the stage **space** to show relationships. |
| **audience** /ˈɔːdɪəns/ | The **audience** sits close to the stage. |



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| **proscenium** | On a **proscenium** stage, the audience watches through a frame, like a picture. |
| **thrust** /θrʌst/ | A **thrust** stage has the audience on three sides. |
| **traverse** /trəˈvɜːs/ | In a **traverse** stage, the audience sits on two sides, facing each other. |
| **in the round** | **In the round** means the audience sits all around the stage. |
| **action unit** | An **action unit** is a short part of a scene with one aim. |