Elements of Drama featuring The Lion King on Broadway

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-pgZtzDj_7o
DRAMA

- A Drama is a story written to be performed in front of an audience. Dramas are usually performed in a theater or on a stage.

- The Author’s Purpose of most dramas is to entertain.
There are three types of Drama Elements.

- Literary
- Technical
- Performance
Literary Elements
(What is needed to write a script or story?)

- Script
- Plot
- Character
- Story Organization
- Setting
- Dialogue
- Monologue
- Conflict
Technical Elements

(What is needed to produce a play?)

- Scenery
- Costumes
- Props
- Sound and Music
- Make-up
Performance Elements
(What do the actors do on stage to make a character come alive?)

- Acting
- Speaking
- Non-verbal Expression
But...what do all these words mean?
All the elements of drama combine to make a good production. They are all important. Some demonstrate more of one element than others.
Literary Elements

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Literary Elements

- **Script?**

- A script is the written words and directions of a play.
  
  *Stage directions – what the actors/actresses are supposed to do. They are usually written in parenthesis.*
  
  (Hamlet washes his hands repeatedly.)
Literary Elements

- Plot?
- The plot is the storyline or arrangement of action.
Literary Elements

- Character?
- A character is a person portrayed in a drama.
- [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvPvzCNegC8&list=SP749105D50D29325E](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvPvzCNegC8&list=SP749105D50D29325E)
Literary Elements

- Story Organization?
- The story organization is how a story is told – the beginning, middle and end.
The Lion King
Literary Elements

- Setting?
- The setting is where the action takes place.
Literary Elements

- Dialogue?
- A dialogue is a spoken conversation between two characters.

- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v1wTZjX4S3k&list=SP494D375DFA8E737E
Literary Elements

- Monologue?
- A monologue is a long speech made by one person.
Literary Elements

- Conflict?
- The internal or external struggle between opposing forces, ideas, or interests that create dramatic tension.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-8wgXRNfYcPM
Technical Elements

- Scenery
- Costumes
- Props
- Sound and Music
- Make-up
COSTUMES

- The clothing and other items an actor wears to help him or her “become” the character.

- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=60F1Jlv-dss&list=SP749105D50D29325E
Technical Elements

- Scenery?
- The scenery is theatrical equipment such as curtains, backdrops, and platforms to communicate the environment. An example might be trees to show a forest environment.

- [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5nZCVXUk3I&list=SP749105D50D29325E](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5nZCVXUk3I&list=SP749105D50D29325E)
Props?

Props are any article other than costumes or scenery used as part of a dramatic production. An example might be a table on the stage.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gxu6Vx2hAVA&list=SP749105D50D29325E
Technical Elements

- Sound and Music?
- Sound is the effect an audience hears during a show, like the sound of rain. And music – well, you know what music is!

- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pEXcIXnH5Mo&list=SP749105D50D29325E
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3ezXi_TSdM&list=SP494D375DFA8E737E
Technical Elements

- Make-up?
- Make-up is the use of costumes, wigs and body paint to transform an actor into a character.
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JkT6G_5b_4A&list=SP749105D50D29325E
Performance Elements

- Acting
- Speaking
- Non-verbal Expression

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jw7gqVcyU&list=SP749105D50D29325E
Performance Elements

- Acting?

Acting is how speaking and moving help to create characters.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fMib3kDKn5U
Performance Elements

- Non-verbal Expression

Non-verbal expression includes gestures, facial expressions, and movement.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tc97XZLPAA&list=SP749105D50D29325E
Performance Elements

- Speaking

Speaking is vocal expression, projection, speaking style and diction.
Now. Can you name one Literary Element?

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Can you name one Technical Element?

- Scenery
- Costumes
- Props
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- Make-up
Can you name one Performance Element?

- Acting
- Speaking
- Non-verbal Expression (An Example might be Mime.)
Now we are going to complete an exit slip about the elements of drama. Remember what we have talked about.