## | Drama | Year 8 - Romeo and Juliet









## Communication: How do we communicate our ideas in Drama?

Device	Definition
Vocal: Pitch and Tone	How high and low and the emotion in our voice.
Vocal: Pause and Pace	When we pause in our speech or how fast or slow we speak for emphasis.
<u>Facial Expression</u>	Look on your face to show emotion.
<u>Gesture</u>	A key movement used to show meaning such as thumbs up.
Eye contact	Who you look at in a scene- which character, is it the audience or out into the distance.
Body Language	Communicating through how we move, the way we walk, where we look.
Marking the moment	Using Frozen image, slow motion or pause in speech to emphasis are specific moment.
Thought Tracking	An aid to characterisation: the character speaks their thoughts out loud.
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## Perspective

- How would Romeo and Juliet feel, falling in love knowing their families hated each other?
- How would Juliet feel when her father told her she must Marry someone else, because he has decided it?
- Do you think that the feuding families have actually caused a lot of unchecked violence for no reason?
- Do you think it was Fate that Romeo and Juliet met?
- Do you think we should fit in with the rules our culture and society tell us?

## Culture and Identity

<u>Set in Italy-</u> Shakespeare frequently set his scenes in Italy- it was a place where the rich would go, it was the cultural capital in Elizabethan England.

<u>Patriarchal Society.</u> Women were considered inferior to men- women belonged to their fathers, and then their husbands so Juliet would be expected to obey her father. Women were expected to bear children, be gentle and womanly.

<u>Religion-</u> The heavy Religious presence is evident across several parts of R&J. This is reflective of a society across Europe that was deeply religious. (Catholic or Protestant.) Several characters demonstrate their commitment to the church.

Research what these words mean

Feud

Tragedy

Catharsis