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My basic understanding of drama is a work of literature or a composition which delineates life and human activity by means of presenting various actions and dialogues between a group of characters.

The basic elements of drama are plot (the events in a play), setting (the time and place of a literary work), character (people or creatures in a play), characterization (the process by which the writer reveals the personality of a character), dialogue (conversation in a play), theme (the central thought of a play; the idea or ideas with which a play deals), and scenery (the various elements that are used to create a particular visual setting for a play). Types of drama are tragedy (In the Greek sense, a play that ends with the death of at least one of the main characters. In modern usage, it refers to a play that doesn't have a happy ending), comedy (In the Greek sense, it is a play that doesn't end in death. In modern usage, it refers to a play that ends happily or that is humorous) and tragicomedy (a play in which serious and comic elements are mixed). Drama is furthermore designed for theatrical presentation, to be acted on stage. Even when we read a play we have no real grasp of what that play is like unless we at least attempt to imagine how actors on a stage would present the material. Drama not only we meet on a theater stage, but also in daily life.

Drama plays a major role in our lives. We all experience 'real life' drama in the form of our own personal experiences as well as 'real life' drama in the news and current affairs. We are also exposed to fictional drama in film, on television, and in the theatre. By studying drama's impact on our culture we can start to look more critically at what these media offer us and we can choose whether or not to accept the messages that they give. By

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studying Drama we become intelligent spectators who can distinguish between good and bad drama as well as 'right' and 'wrong' ideologies. We can start making informed decisions about the drama that we see.

For example, we are familiar with the word 'Drama Queen'. When you see someone who gets too upset or angry over small problems and the other people says, "You're such a drama queen! It's no big deal." Drama Queen is a person who habitually responds to situations in a melodramatic way.

Generally, while drama is the printed text of a play, the word theatre often refers to the actual production of the text on the stage.

Theatre thus involves action taking place on the stage, the lighting, the scenery, the accompanying music, the costumes, the atmosphere, and so on. So, what is a play? What is Theatre? A play is a story told by actors in a theatre. Theatre is a building or area for dramatic performances (Meriam Webster). The study of Drama emphasizes the written text or scenario, whereas the study of Theatre concerns the performance.

Through drama we can become anyone, anywhere, at any time. By understanding drama we can learn to understand anyone, anywhere, anytime.