



Topic: Behind the Scenes

Year: 3

Term: Spring 2

Background Information

To understand that we have day and night .
To know that light changes during different seasons, with longer days (and more light) in the summer.
They will have performed productions before, using playscripts to recite lines and follow stage directions.

Diagrams / Timelines / Photos



Marilyn Munro by Andy Warhol



By Roy Lichtenstein

Know how to / Activity

Create your own comic, with illustrations in the style of Lichtenstein.

Keep a diary to track when the sun rises and sets or how shadows change.

Interesting facts

English :

- Playscripts and dialogue in stories are written differently.
(Script) Juliet: Romeo, Romeo, Wherefore art thou, Romeo?
(Story) Juliet cried, "Romeo, Romeo, Wherefore art thou, Romeo?"

Shakespeare (1554-1616) is a very famous playwright and poet .
Some of his most famous plays are 'Midsummer Night's Dream', 'Romeo and Juliet' and 'The Tempest'.

He wrote approximately two plays each year for 20 years.

He was famous for playing with words, and invented more than 1700 words, e.g. bedroom, eyeball, swagger, gossip, puking.

His longest play, Hamlet, had 4042 words.

During the time Shakespeare was writing plays, it was illegal for women to act, so all female parts were played by boys or young men dressed as women.

Science—Light:

- We need light to see, and darkness is the absence of light.
- Light is reflected from surfaces.
- Light from the sun can be dangerous and there are ways to protect our eyes.
- Shadows are formed when the light from a source is blocked by an opaque object.
- There are patterns in the way shadows change.

Art—Pop Art

An art movement that originated in the mid to late 1950s. It was commonly used for advertisements.

Famous Pop Artists include:

- Andy Warhol
- Roy Lichtenstein

Key Vocabulary

Reflect	Light is thrown back without being absorbed.
Shadow	A dark area where light is blocked by an object.
Source	Where light comes from, e.g. the sun. light bulb, etc.
Opaque	Not able to be seen through as light cannot pass through
Transparent	Light can pass through, so it is see through
Speech marks/ invert-ed commas	Punctuation used to mark the beginning and end of speech in a text, e.g. Juliet cried, "Romeo, Romeo, Wherefore art thou, Romeo?"
advertisement	An image used to persuade someone to like or buy something.
Pop art	Art based on simple bold images of every day items.
contemporary	Modern
Popular culture	Culture based on the tastes of ordinary people
Stage directions	The instructions in a playscript that tell actors what to do and how to act.
props	Items used during a performance
Backstage	The area behind the stage. Also used to describe the people that work behind the scenes on props, lighting, scenery, etc.
Stage	The location that a play is performed. 'Upstage' is used to describe the part of the stage furthest from the audience, 'Down stage' is the part of the stage closest to the audience.