



Dance

Preparing for Post 16

A Level Specification

Read through the Specification at a glance section, pages 9-10 to give you a brief overview of the course.



[Link](#)

Digital Resource

Compulsory Area of Study Rooster: Watch all 8 sections of Rooster by Christopher Bruce.

What era is the piece exploring? What themes can you identify throughout the professional work? Do any of these themes relate to the social position of the time? Can you give an example?

[Watch – Christopher Bruce Rooster](#)

[Watch – Singing in the rain](#)

Key info:

Compulsory Set Work & Area of Study: Christopher Bruce Rooster Additional Set Work: Gene Kelly & Stanley Donen Singing in the Rain Additional Area of Study: American Jazz Dance Period 1940-1975

Exam Question:

Compulsory Area of Study Rooster: Analyse the roles of the male soloists in the opening section of Rooster. You should provide clear examples to support your answer

Additional Area of Study Singing in the Rain: Watch the 8 dance sections from the film Singing in the Rain.

1. Choose one section to explore and analyse.
2. Identify and analyse the use of Action, Space, Dynamics & Relationships.
3. Identify and analyse the aural (sound) and physical (set/ stage/ props) setting for your chosen section
4. Present your findings in a PowerPoint presentation using images and annotation to support your analysis.

If you are considering studying Dance next year, then these are activities that you should seriously consider completing over the next few months to prepare yourself for the very large step up to Post 16 from GCSE.

The activities are divided into:

Essential - suggested as good preparation for the course.

Recommended - suggested to support the essential activities for the course

Optional - suggested to support wider learning around the subject; you are expected to do this independently at Post 16.

TV Shows to watch (The images are links)

[Making Rooster](#)



[Female inequality – 1960s Britain](#)



[1960s Britain](#)



[Singing in the Rain Analysis](#)



[Gene Kelly, 84](#)



[Debbie Reynolds](#)



[American Jazz Dance Scene](#)



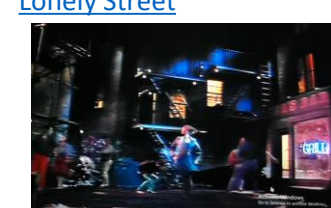
[Jerome Robbins Documentary](#)



[Richard Alston – Soda Lake](#)



[Robert North – Lonely Town, Lonely Street](#)



Further Support Videos

[The Rolling Stones Story](#)



[History of the Hollywood Musical](#)



[Mary Quant Article](#)

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[Stanley Donen Article](#)

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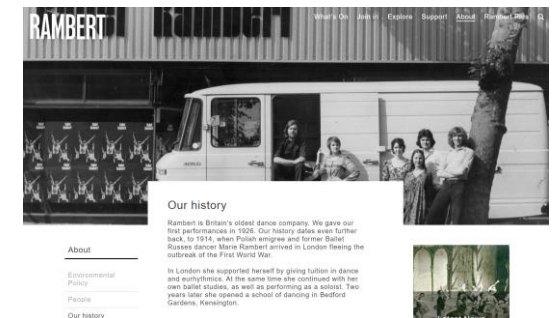
**10 Must know
Choreographic moments
emblematic of Broadway
dance**



**15 Most famous jazz dancers
that made it to the Zenith**



Rambert – Dancers Perspective



Submitting the essential tasks

- Tasks should be submitted by email, using PowerPoint or word to collate the information.