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Answer Key: Drama Detective: 2nd Grade Script Decoder Quiz

Moving beyond simple reading to identifying the building blocks of a play, these questions serve as a quick formative assessment for scene layouts.

1. In a play, the words written in (parentheses) that tell an actor how to move or speak are called:

Answer: B) Stage directions

Stage directions guide the actors on their actions and emotions during a scene.

2. The people or animals in a play are called the characters.

Answer: A) True

Characters are the individuals who talk and act out the story in a dramatic work.

3. A _____ is the written text that actors read to know what to say.

Answer: C) Script

The script contains all the dialogue and instructions for a play.

4. What do we call the conversation between two characters on stage?

Answer: C) A dialogue

Dialogue is the term used for characters speaking to one another in a play.

5. A play is divided into smaller parts called acts or scenes.

Answer: A) True

Scenes help break the story into different times or locations on the stage.

6. The main problem that the characters face in the story is called the _____.

Answer: B) Conflict

Conflict is the struggle or challenge that makes the plot interesting.

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7. Where would you look in a script to find out which characters are in the play?

Answer: A) The Cast List

The Cast List or 'Cast of Characters' lists everyone appearing in the play.

8. The 'Setting' of a play tells the audience when and where the story happens.

Answer: A) True

The setting describes the location (like a forest) and the time (like 'long ago').

9. The objects that actors use on stage, like a magic wand or a telephone, are called ____.

Answer: C) Props

Props is short for properties, which are the items used by actors during a performance.

10. When a play ends and the main character solves their problem, we call this the:

Answer: C) Resolution

The resolution is the part of the plot where the problems are wrapped up.