

Opening Credits for Drama Programmes

Aims

The opening credits of a drama programme can often tell you a lot about what is going to happen and who is in the play.

Activity

Watch the opening credits of drama programmes and answer the questions.

- What information is given in the opening credits? Make a good list of all of the things that you discover.
- What colours and typefaces are used in the opening credits? What do they tell you about the programme?
- What do you learn about the action of the play and the story?
- What do you learn about the various characters in the play?

Summary questions

The opening credits of a play will often be a way of setting the scene. They will often involve 'establishing shots' and editing.

Development work

Watch the opening credits of films and television programmes and use the ideas of the lesson to develop and practice this work.

Assessment work and planning

Storyboard a set of opening credits for your drama production.