

Create a Playbill



You are going to put together a program or a "Playbill." Programs are given to audience members on their way in to see a production. They have info about the play, the cast, and the production. Choose a play you're working on in class, or one you've seen, or maybe it's a story you want to be a play! Choose something you know well. Can't think of a play? Use a fairy tale.

You will create the following elements for your playbill

Front Cover

The front cover is the first thing an audience sees when they look at a program. What's the one image or picture that describes the play? Draw this picture or image.

Inside Left Cover Top

A short synopsis. Write a short description of the play. You don't want to give away any important plot points, but what generally happens in the story?

Inside Left Cover Bottom

The cast list. Come up with the ideal cast list for this play. Keep the character personalities in mind and cast actors you think would most suit those characters.

Inside Right Cover Top

A costume sketch. Draw a costume for the main character. What do they look like? What would one of their costumes be?

Inside Right Cover Bottom

The director's note. Write a note to the audience about the production. If you were directing this play, what would you want to tell the audience before they watch it? What theme speaks to you the most when you read the play? What character is the most vivid?

ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET, BRAINSTORM IDEAS FOR YOUR PLAYBILL: What play are you using? What is the story? What images come to mind? What costumes come to mind? What is the theme of the story? What is the one thing you would want an audience to know about the show?