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GOOGLE TOOLS IN THE THEATRE ARTS CLASSROOM

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Materials

Video modules, Handouts, Transcripts, MP3 Files, PDF of
Powerpoint Slides, Completion Certificate

Course length

9 modules
1 hours, 32 minutes of video
3 credit hours

Course Description

Have you been wanting to find some new ways to enhance your classroom with technology? Have you been told you need to integrate technology in your classroom but don't know where to start or what would even make sense to use in the drama classroom?

Whether you want to find some new ways to diversify your instruction and assessment, provide new resources and opportunities for your students, or simply needs some help with organization and communication, Google Tools has a treasure trove of resources ready for you to use today.

Instructor Anna Porter covers the tools of Google Forms, Photos, Calendar, Earth, Custom Search and Sites. Each lesson has video examples of how to use the tools as well as tips and resources for each module.

About the Instructor

Anna Porter is a high school drama teacher. She has taught for 9 years in Utah and during that time served as a PLC leader and mentor teacher. Anna has a Bachelor's Degree in Theatre Arts Education from Brigham Young University as well as an endorsement in Educational Technology.

Course Curriculum

Lesson 0: Introduction 4:27

Gives an overview of the course and how it will break down into various modules.

Lesson 1: Getting Started 12:25

This lesson covers how to set up a Google account and how to access the tools that will be covered in the course. It also introduces resources and provides ideas for teaching digital citizenship and setting up classroom rules and routines in regards to technology.

Lesson 2A: Google Forms Part 1 10:00

How to create a Google form using a digital audition form as an example.

Lesson 2B: Google Forms Part 2 8:18

This lesson explores additional ways to utilize the forms and the information gathered in the drama classroom

Lesson 3: Google Photos 10:11

This lesson explores how Google Photos can help your students communicate using pictures, as well as how you can utilize it as a teacher to organize, document and share your program's resources.

Lesson 4: Google Calendar 9:19

This lesson explores how to use Google Calendar to organize and communicate events with all of your stakeholders.

Lesson 5: Google Earth 11:52

This lesson teaches how to build context and take your students on a virtual field trip to locations that you are discussing and exploring in class and production.

Lesson 6: Google Custom Search 10:39

This lesson will explore how you can help your students focus on key information by creating a custom Google Search Engine that they can use for your class.

Lesson 7: Google Sites 15:05

This final lesson explores the ways in which you can utilize Google Sites in your class and program.

Standards Connections

National Core Arts Standards

Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work - Grade 6

TH:Cr1.1.6.b - Identify solutions to design challenges in a drama/theatre work.

Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work - High School Proficient

TH:Cr1.1.HSI.b - Explore the impact of technology on design choices in a drama/theatre work.

Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work - High School Accomplished

TH:Cr1.1.HSII.a - Investigate historical and cultural conventions and their impact on the visual composition of a drama/theatre work.

California VAPA Standards (2019)

6.TH:Cr1 Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work

6.TH:Cr1.c - Identify solutions to design challenges in a drama/theatre work.

Prof.TH:Cr1 Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work

Prof.TH:Cr1.c - Explore the impact of technical theatre elements on design choices in a drama/theatre work.

Acc.TH:Cr1 Generate and conceptualize artistic ideas and work.

Acc.TH:Cr1.a - Investigate historical and cultural conventions and their impact on the visual composition of a drama/theatre work.

Colorado Academic Standards - Drama and Theatre Arts

Sixth Grade

DT.6.1.1.b - Students Can: Identify possible solutions to design challenges in a drama/theatre work.

High School - Fundamental Pathway

DT.H1.1.1.b - Students Can: Explore the impact of technology on design choices in a drama/theatre work.

High School - Advanced Pathway

DT.H2.1.1.a - Students Can: Investigate historical and cultural conventions and their impact on the visual composition of a drama/theatre work.

Common Core

Speaking and Listening

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.SL.1 - Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.SL.3 - Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.SL.5 - Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of data to express information and enhance understanding of presentations.

Language

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.L.1 - Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.CCRA.L.2 - Demonstrate command of

the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

Language

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.9-10.1 - Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.9-10.2 - Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

Writing

CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.6 - Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

Florida Sunshine State Standards

Critical Thinking & Reflection

TH.912.C.2.1 - Explore and describe possible solutions to production or acting challenges and select the solution most likely to produce desired results.

Historical & Global Connections

TH.912.H.2.5 - Apply knowledge of dramatic genres and historical periods to shape the work of performers, directors, and designers.

Innovation, Technology & the Future

TH.912.F.3.8 - Use current and emerging technology appropriately to communicate rehearsal information with the cast and crew of a production.

Organizational Structure

TH.912.O.3.3 - Analyze and demonstrate how to use various media to impact theatrical productions.

Skills, Techniques & Processes

TH.912.S.2.1 - Create one or more technical design documents for a theatrical production.

TH.912.S.3.1 - Articulate, based on research, the rationale for artistic choices in casting, staging, or technical design for a scene from original or scripted material.

TH.912.S.3.9 - Research, analyze, and explain the processes that playwrights, directors, designers, and performers use when developing a work that conveys artistic intent.

Georgia Performance Standards - Theatre Arts

Grade 6 - Creating

TA6.CR.1 - Organize, design, and refine theatrical work., a. Identify artistic choices, utilize theatre vocabulary, and demonstrate non-verbal communication skills in the rehearsal process., b. Interpret a character's motivation by understanding the relationship between their background and their behavior., c. Identify the variety of relationships between characters., d. Identify, define, and classify character traits., e. Recognize and demonstrate the roles, responsibilities, and skills associated with collaborative performance., f. Use resources to identify and create technical elements of theatre.

Grade 6 - Performing

TA6.PR.2 - Execute artistic and technical elements of theatre., a. Incorporate technical elements in performance.

Grade 6 - Connecting

TA6.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Identify similarities between theatre and other art forms., b. Draw conclusions about the relationships between theatre and life., c. Define tasks associated with a theatre production (e.g. director, stage manager, designer, technician, playwright, actor).

Grade 7 - Creating

TA7.CR.1 - Organize, design, and refine theatrical work., a. Identify and rehearse effective communication skills., b. Compare and contrast character types and relationships by analyzing character motivations, objectives, and goals., c. Compare the physical, emotional, vocal, and social dimensions of a character., d. Investigate the role and responsibility of the cast and crew., e. Identify and model ensemble skills in the rehearsal process., f. Utilize staging and blocking choices to enhance the performance., g. Compare, contrast, and design elements of technical theatre., h. Utilize theatre vocabulary throughout the rehearsal process.

Grade 7 - Performing

TA7.PR.2 - Execute artistic and technical elements of theatre., a. Select a variety of technical elements that can be applied to a theatrical work., b. Incorporate artistic and technical elements into a theatre performance.

Grade 7 - Connecting

TA7.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Compare and contrast theatre with other art forms., b. Articulate relationships between theatre and life., c. Utilize a multi-disciplinary approach to create original theatre., d. Describe the careers and professional responsibilities associated with theatre production (e.g. director, stage manager, designer, technician, playwright, actor).

Grade 8 - Creating

TA8.CR.1 - Organize, design, and refine theatrical work., a. Differentiate the physical, emotional, vocal, and social dimensions of a variety of characters., b. Compare the relationships and interactions between characters by analyzing character motivation (objectives, obstacles, strategy, action, stakes, outcome)., c. Incorporate dramatic elements through improvisation., d. Connect theatre vocabulary to the application of theatre performance., e. Identify and demonstrate both ensemble and leadership skills in the rehearsal process., f. Evaluate the effectiveness of artistic and technical elements used in a theatre production., g. Design and create scenery, props, costumes, lighting, and sound., h. Assume different roles and responsibilities in the rehearsal process.

Grade 8 - Performing

TA8.PR.2 - Execute artistic and technical elements of theatre., a. Incorporate artistic and technical elements into a theatre production., b. Resolve conflicts in technical applications.

Grade 8 - Connecting

TA8.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Investigate and prove common themes and structure among theatre and other disciplines., b. Defend how theatre reflects life., c. Incorporate multi-disciplinary aspects into theatre performance., d. Identify and analyze professions associated with different forms of production (e.g. director, stage manager, designer, technician, playwright, actor).

Grades 9-12 - ACTING LEVELS I-IV - Performing

TAHSA.PR.1 - Act and direct by communicating and sustaining roles within a variety of situations and environments., a. Examine and implement the voice, body, observation, and imagination as tools of the actor in presentations of formal and informal theatre., b. Research and assess the development of acting skills for character creation and performance including historical movements, personal experience, and cultural influences., c. Act by developing, communicating, and sustaining roles within a variety of situations and environments., d. Identify and examine the responsibilities and tasks of an actor in relationship with directors, designers, and technical crew., e. Use the skills and tools of a director to conduct rehearsals for performance.

Grades 9-12 - ACTING LEVELS I-IV - Connecting

TAHSA.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Examine multiple facets of the business of theatre., b. Examine the methods of pursuing various acting careers, including demonstrating audition etiquette and techniques.

Grades 9-12 - ADVANCED DRAMA LEVELS I-IV - Performing

TAHSAD.PR.2 - Execute artistic and technical elements of theatre., a. Engage as a creative team in script analysis to plan and create technical elements of a theatre production.

Grades 9-12 - ADVANCED DRAMA LEVELS I-IV - Connecting

TAHSAD.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Explore the relationship between theatre and other non-arts disciplines to synthesize concepts and skills from other disciplines to create theatre., b. Explore careers through participation in various production roles and activities found in commercial, professional, amateur, and/or educational theatre.

Grades 9-12 - FUNDAMENTALS OF THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Creating

TAHSFT.CR.2 - Develop scripts through theatrical techniques., a. Differentiate between dramatic and traditional literary writing and utilize common steps of the playwriting process., b. Assess the need for script analysis, concept development, and directorial and technical concerns of a theatrical script., c. Construct and critique elements of dramatic structure, character, and dialogue., d. Create and perform scenes for audiences.

Grades 9-12 - FUNDAMENTALS OF THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Performing

TAHSFT.PR.2 - Execute artistic and technical elements of theatre., a. Identify and define the various collaborative roles and relationships of technical production personnel (e.g. sound, lighting, set, scenic, costume, dramaturge, makeup, marketing, business aspects) in relation to the directors and performers., b. Identify and apply the various aspects of directing, staging, performance spaces, and rehearsal management., c. Recognize and apply the basic elements and procedures involved in the construction of props, scenery, and platforms., d. Formulate effective theatrical designs in order to support the text and directorial concept.

Grades 9-12 - FUNDAMENTALS OF THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Connecting

TAHSFT.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experiences, careers, and other content., a. Examine how theatre reflects real life., b. Analyze how theatre employs aspects of other art forms and disciplines to effectively communicate with a live audience., c. Demonstrate awareness of the discipline, knowledge, skills, and education

required for careers in theatre., d. Explore various careers in the theatre arts (e.g. performance, design, production, administrative, education, promotion).

Grades 9-12 - MUSICAL THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Performing

TAHSMT.PR.1 - Act and direct by communicating and sustaining roles within a variety of situations and environments., a. Examine and implement the skills and tasks associated with acting, singing, and dancing, incorporating vocal and movement technique, observation, and imagination to create characters for formal and informal performances., b. Identify and examine the responsibilities and tasks of an actor in relation to directors, designers, choreographers, technical crew, and production staff., c. Use the skills and tools of a director to develop a presentation of formal and informal musical theatre performances., d. Conduct rehearsals to present a musical theatre performance for a live audience.

TAHSMT.PR.2 - Execute artistic and technical elements of theatre., a. Engage as a creative team in script analysis to plan and create technical elements of a theatre production, including sets, props, costumes, makeup, lighting, and sound.

Grades 9-12 - MUSICAL THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Connecting

TAHSMT.CN.1 - Explore how theatre connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Explore the business of musical theatre., b. Explore careers through participation in various production roles and activities found in commercial, professional, amateur, and/or educational musical theatre.

Grades 9-12 - TECHNICAL THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Creating

TAHSTT.CR.1 - Create technical elements of theatre (e.g. sets, props, costumes, makeup, lighting, sound), a. Explore and utilize the elements of design and principles of composition for a theatrical context., b. Create basic to advanced technical elements by choosing appropriate materials, tools, and techniques., c. Analyze and/or develop choices in technical elements (e.g. sets, lights, costumes, sound) of informal and formal productions and theatrical texts as a part of the design process, considering mood, tone, and symbolism., d. Create industry standard paperwork (e.g. budgets, cut lists, materials, cue sheets, lighting and costume plots, schedules, calendars) as it relates to completing design renderings and/or models., e. Conceptualize and/or generate design elements for a dramatic work (e.g. scene, one act, full-length, musical).

Grades 9-12 - TECHNICAL THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Producing

TAHSTT.PR.1 - Produce technical elements in theatre., a. Identify, explain, and demonstrate standard safety guidelines and operating procedures for tools and equipment used in formal and informal theatre productions., b. Identify and interpret design and construction documentation, materials, techniques, and procedures for production., c. Differentiate between stock and non-standard material, scenic, or technical elements related to a production., d. Conduct initial research about design to inform further development of the production concept., e. Explore and/or produce an appropriate series of design documentation for a theatrical production (e.g. thumbnail sketches, swatches, first renderings, mixed media presentation).

Grades 9-12 - TECHNICAL THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Responding

TAHSTT.RE.1 - Respond to technical elements of theatre

using appropriate supporting evidence., a. Revise projects, plans, and/or procedures after peer criticism to improve development of technical elements., b. Identify and analyze the characteristics of different types of performance spaces and how they can influence production decisions (e.g. proscenium stage, studio/black box, thrust stage, classroom, arena, found space), c. Evaluate design choices of professional designers., d. Evaluate design and technical elements in a post mortem following the completion of a theatre production.

Grades 9-12 - TECHNICAL THEATRE LEVELS I-IV - Connecting

TAHSTT.CN.1 - Connect technical elements of theatre., a. Explore and understand the collaborations between designers and directors to develop design elements., b. Investigate the history of theatre architecture, stage technology, and other technical elements., c. Understand technical theatre career options and various industry unions (e.g. International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Actor's Equity, United Scenic Artists, Stage Directors and Choreographers Society, League of Resident Theatres), d. Explore connections with other disciplines associated with technical theatre (e.g. scientific principles behind technical theatrical practices, physics of electricity and sound, basic structural engineering, load ratings, working load limits), e. Connect design themes with historical and social relevance using dramaturgical research and an understanding of historical and cultural artistic movements (e.g. expressionism, realism, Kabuki, Sanskrit Drama).

Grades 9-12 - THEATRE MANAGEMENT - Connecting

TAHSTM.CN.1 - Explore how theatre management connects to life experience, careers, and other content., a. Analyze various existing theatre management elements (e.g. press releases, lobby displays, ticketing, sales strategies, budgets) in professional, non-professional, and academic theatre to consider the rationale for choices directed at reaching specific target markets.

North Carolina Essential Standards 2024

Advanced High School Connect

AD.CN.1.1 - Analyze the impact of theatre throughout the world from the 1900s to the present on trends, styles, and artists, and their future implications.

Advanced High School Respond

AD.RE.1.2 - Evaluate the impact of theatrical works on intended audiences.

North Carolina Essential Standards 2010

Advanced High School Standards - Culture

A.CU.1.1 - Interpret theatre arts from personal, cultural, and historical contexts.

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Theatre Arts

MS 117.212 LII - Foundations: Inquiry and Understanding

B.1.E - demonstrate knowledge of theatrical vocabulary and terminology.

MS 117.213 LIII - Foundations: Inquiry and

Understanding

B.1.E - apply knowledge of theatrical vocabulary and terminology.

HS 117.315 LI - Foundations: Inquiry and Understanding

C.1.F - demonstrate a working knowledge of the language of theatre such as stage terminology, elements of theatre, or theatrical conventions.

HS 117.315 LI - Historical and cultural relevance

C.4.B - relate historical and cultural influences on theatre.

HS 117.315 LI - Critical evaluation and response

C.5.G - use technology such as electronic portfolios, research projects, and journals to document and present information in a clear and coherent manner.

HS 117.316 LII - Foundations: Inquiry and Understanding

C.1.F - relate the interdependence of all theatrical elements.

HS 117.316 LII - Critical evaluation and response

C.5.F - use technology such as portfolios, research projects, and journals to document and present information in a clear and coherent manner.

HS 117.317 LIII - Critical evaluation and response

C.5.F - use technology such as portfolios, research projects, and journals to document and present information in a clear and coherent manner.

HS 117.318 LIV - Critical evaluation and response

C.5.F - employ technology such as portfolios, research projects, and journals to communicate and present findings in a clear and coherent manner.

Alberta, Canada

Theatre Studies Drama 10 (Greek, Medieval or Elizabethan, and Canadian)

1 - recognize theatre has evolved as a traditional art form

Technical Theatre/Design 10-20-30 - Management - Business

1 - demonstrate understanding of the duties of business management staff

3 - demonstrate understanding of the importance of record keeping and box office procedures

Junior Goal II Objectives

gain awareness of how the integration of disciplines enriches dramatic communication

Junior Goal III Objectives

develop awareness of various conventions of theatre

Junior Orientation

demonstrate a willingness to take calculated and reasonable risks

focus concentration on one task at a time

generate imaginative and creative solutions to problems

meet deadlines and follow through on individual and group commitments

support positively the work of others

work cooperatively and productively with all members of the class in pairs, small groups and large groups

Junior Goal I Objectives

develop a sense of responsibility and commitment

develop the ability to initiate, organize and present a project within a given set of guidelines

develop the ability to interact effectively and constructively in a group process

develop the willingness to make a decision, act upon it and accept the results

extend the ability to think imaginatively and creatively

strengthen powers of concentration

Senior Goal I Objectives

demonstrate a sense of inquiry and commitment, individually and to the group

demonstrate a sense of responsibility and commitment, individually and to the group

demonstrate the ability to contribute effectively and constructively to the group process

develop a sense of inquiry and commitment to learning

extend the ability to concentrate

Orientation Drama 10

concentrate on the task at hand

demonstrate effective use and management of time

demonstrate self-discipline, self-direction and a sense of responsibility

display consideration and respect for self and others

listen to self and others

make effective decisions or choices

positively support the work of others

share ideas confidently

solve problems imaginatively and creatively

work cooperatively and productively

British Columbia (2018)

GRADE 6 - ARTS - Exploring and creating

Intentionally select and apply materials, movements, technologies, environments, tools, and techniques by combining and arranging artistic elements, processes, and principles in art making

GRADE 6 - ARTS - Communicating and documenting

Adapt learned skills, understandings, and processes for use in new contexts and for different purposes and audiences

Demonstrate increasingly sophisticated application and/or engagement of curricular content

Experience, document and present creative works in a variety of ways

GRADE 7 - ARTS - Exploring and creating

Intentionally select and apply materials, movements, technologies, environments, tools, and techniques by combining and arranging artistic elements, processes, and principles in art making

GRADE 7 - ARTS - Communicating and documenting

Adapt learned skills, understandings, and processes for use in new contexts and for different purposes and audiences

Demonstrate increasingly sophisticated application and/or engagement of curricular content

Experience, document, choreograph, perform, and share creative works in a variety of ways

GRADE 8 - ARTS - Exploring and creating

Intentionally select and apply materials, movements, technologies, environments, tools, and techniques by combining and arranging artistic elements, processes, and

principles in art making

GRADE 8 - ARTS - Communicating and documenting

Adapt learned skills, understandings, and processes for use in new contexts and for different purposes and audiences

Demonstrate increasingly sophisticated application and/or engagement of curricular content

GRADE 9 - DRAMA - Reasoning and reflecting

Receive, offer, and apply constructive feedback

GRADE 9 - DRAMA - Connecting and expanding

Demonstrate increasingly sophisticated application and/or engagement of curricular content

GRADE 10 - DRAMA - Explore and Create

Experiment with a range of props, processes, and technologies

GRADE 10 - DRAMA - Reason and reflect

Apply feedback to develop and refine ideas

GRADE 11 - DRAMA - Explore and Create

Experiment with a range of materials, props, processes, and technologies to create and refine performances

GRADE 11 - DRAMA - Reason and reflect

Receive and apply constructive feedback to develop and refine ideas

GRADE 12 - DRAMA - Communicate and document

Document, share, and collaborate on dramatic works and experiences in a variety of contexts

Ontario, Canada

Grades 9 & 10 - Foundations - Concepts and Terminology

C.1.3 - demonstrate an understanding of production roles, practices, and terminology when planning and presenting drama works (e.g., set design, costume design, lighting plot, light cue sheet, sound cue sheet, prompt book, set sketch, set model)

Grades 9 & 10 - Reflecting, Responding and Analyzing - The Critical Analysis Process

B.1.3 - identify aesthetic and technical aspects of drama works and explain how they help achieve specific dramatic purposes (e.g., write theatre or film reviews assessing whether the lighting, sound, set design, and costumes of a drama are used effectively to illustrate the intended message)

Grades 9 & 10 - Creating and Presenting - Presentation Techniques & Technologies

A.3.3 - use a variety of technological tools (e.g., light, sound, set design, props, models) to enhance the impact of drama works