

Student's roles

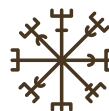


On the day of the performance, before the show, our actors spend around 30 minutes rehearsing with the 6 student actors.

They go over their scenes together and give tips and tricks to help make their performance more believable.

The actors also explain to the students when they need to come on stage and where to position themselves.

And above all, through games and theatre exercises, the actors help the students to feel more confident and ready to give it their all on stage!



SCENE 01 - School

Siobhán quickly interrupts Shaun, embarrassed.

Siobhán: Thanks Shaun! Err... let me ask someone else. *(she points at S1)* <Student 1's name>, come here please.

Student 1: Me Miss?

Siobhán: Yes, could you remind us what we studied last week?

Student 1: Is this a test? Does it count for my final grade?

Siobhán: Oh, err... Just answer the questions. So, <student 1's name>, could you tell me when the Vikings first arrived here in Ireland?

Student 1: Wow, a long time ago! A very long time! It's been a while!

Shaun: *(gets up)*: Late 9th century miss, in the town of Dublin!

Siobhán: Thank you Shaun, but I was asking <student 1's name>. How was "Dublin" written at that time?

Student 1: Oh, I know this Dublin was written in two parts, "Dubh" and "Linn". Dubh Linn".

Shaun: Dubh Linn was the Gaelic name. In Scandinavian, they said "Dyflin"!

Siobhán: And what does Dubh Linn or Dyflin in Scandinavian mean?

Student 1: Dubh Linn means Black Pool.

Siobhán: And why was this name chosen for Dublin?

Student 1: The name comes from the pool where the first Vikings settled.

Siobhán: And who was the first king of Dublin?

Student 1 (attempting clumsily): A guy named Mac Something, wasn't it? Or O'Something then...

Shaun: Thorgils the First, from 841 to 845.

Siobhán: Good! Thank you <student 1's name>.

Student 1: Am I going to get a good mark?

Siobhán: What? ...yes, keep up the good work.

As <student 1> goes back to his seat, Siobhán stares at him full of pride.



SCENE 04 - Attention!

Miss Burke points at student 2 (S2).

Miss Burke: You. Come here.

Student 2: Me, miss?

Miss Burke: No, His Majesty the King! Yes, you, I'm pointing at you, am I not?

Student 2: Ah yes, sorry, how can I help you?

Miss Burke: It looks like a little refresher course of the rules is in order. Rule n°1?

Student 2: You want me to give you the definition of rule n°1?

Miss Burke: No, I want you to whistle it in Morse code! Of course I want you to give us the definition of rule n°1!

Student 2: Rule n°1: The Red Zone is restricted to administration personnel.

Miss Burke: Good, rule n°2 now?

Student 2: The Orange Zone is restricted to teachers and authorized personnel.

Miss Burke: And who gives these authorisations?

Student 2: You do, the chief librarian, miss!

Miss Burke (satisfied): How about rule n°3?

Student 2: Students are confined to the Green Zone.

Miss Burke: This is correct. Go back to your seat.



SCENE 06 - Part 2 - Apparition

Shiobhàn is leaving.

King Viking to Student 3 (S3): Are you the Guardian of the Gate?

Student 3 : Guardian? What? I'm just a student.

King Viking: Student of the Gate, I have...

Student 3 : No, actually, I'm a student in the library.

King Viking: Student of the Library, I have...

Student 3 : Actually my name is <S3's name>...

King Viking: At this rate, we'll be here all day! I have a quest to fulfill! Valhalla awaits me!

Student 3 : Valhalla, the Viking paradise, no way..

SPAM MOMENT

POD : The Viking are in Dublin. Why is that? If you want to know, you need my book. The Journey of Dun-Rà by Patrick O'Donnell, that's me -
Now available for only 15€ - Buy 3 get one free

King Viking: <S3's name>, my sword hand itches and my dagger is hungry. What is my mission? I'm ready to fight!

Student 3 : What? Fight a Viking?

King Viking: Ahhh, I can't wait to skewer someone!

Student 3 : Err I'm not so sure!

King Viking: By Thor, you fight like a slug!

Student 3 : This guy is crazy! HELP!

Student 3 goes behind A2/Student.



SCENE 08 : Rumor - Part1

A student stands up, very excited.

Student 4: There's a madman in the library!

Aoife: Calm down! What's the story?

Student 4: There's a Viking with an axe in the library!

Aoife: That's what I heard, I have just seen Miss Burke, she went after him.

Student 4: He's nuts, he's terrorising everyone, he says he wants to fight to go to Valhalla!

Aoife: To Valhalla? What's Valhalla ?

Student 4: He says he has come from the past and that he has to finish the Journey of Duan-Rà!

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Aoife: But it must be the theatre club doing a show or something?

Student 4: That's what I thought at first. But then he decapitated two students with his axe! There's blood everywhere!

Attention: student 4 stays on stage with student 5



SCENE 08 : Rumor - Part1

Student 05 stands up.

Student 5: Have you heard, there's a Viking in the school.

Student 4: Yes, that's right, that's what I was saying to Aoife.

Student 5: He has already killed 57 people with his axe!

Aoife: What, that is fake news!

Student 4: I'm telling you! I've heard that he killed 114 people!

Rumors grow

Aoife: What! Come on, it has already doubled, that is rubbish! It's just a rumor!

Student 4: Whoa, I have to tell the others, they're going to freak out! *student 4 leaves the stage*

Aoife: No wait, it's just a rumor...

Student has already gone. She turns to S5.

Aoife: Where did you hear this story?

Student 5: Everywhere, everyone is talking about it.

Aoife: But, did you see the Viking?

Student 5: The Viking. Not really. I mean, yes online.

Aoife: Wait, stop! We should get the facts first!

Student 5: I know!! I'm going to get so many followers.

Students seat down.



SCENE 12 - Fuse

They begin to carry Miss Burke off-stage when Shaun talks to S6.

Student 6: You shouldn't be here!

Shaun: You bet!

Student 6: Don't you know about the VIKING?

Aoife: Of course we do... the Viking that traveled through Time, right?

Student 6: Yes. The special forces have surrounded the school.

Shaun: What are they going to do?

Student 6: They're going to launch an attack in a few minutes.

Aoife: All of that just for a person disguised as a Viking, it's a bit much, isn't it?

Student 6: Not at all, everybody says there is a whole army of Vikings, and many deaths!

Shaun: It's just a rumor, people talk rubbish! IT IS FAKE NEWS!!

Aoife: He's right. I saw the Viking, and I know the truth!

Student 6: You saw him, for real? Tell me!

Aoife whispers something in his ear.

Aoife: Go on, you can post that on every social media platform you got, that's solid.

Student 6: Whoa, cool! You can count on me.

He goes back to his seat.

