LIVE THEATRE	HAMILTON	Seat	Group
Component 3 Section B Written Exam 25 mins	by Lin-Manuel Miranda		Rational
Name	Character	Class	Tutor

Production Studied

Hamilton written by Lin-Manuel Miranda and directed by Thomas Keil. Performed at Richard Rogers Theatre in 2015

https://hamiltonmusical.com https://www.disneyplus.com/en-gb/movies/hamilton/3uPmBHWIO6HJ



Book, Mosic and Lyrics by LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA Inspired by the book ALERANDER ALMUIDU by RON CHERNOW Chereography by ANDY BLANKENBUEHLER Birected by THOMAS KAIL

RICHARD RODGERS THEATRE + 226 WEST 46" STREET

HISTORICAL REFERENCE QUIZ

- Where is it set? 1. 2. When does the story start? 3. What has happened just before? What historical event does it follow? 4. 5. Where was Hamilton from? What was unique about his background? 6. Who were the 7 founding fathers? 7. What two roles did Hamilton undertake? 8. What did he write while in those roles? 9. 10. Who was the king of England? What was Hamilton's wife called? 11. 12. What happened during their relationship? 13. Who was Hamilton's first child? How many children did he have? 14. 15. How many survived until adulthood? 16. Who was the general of the American soldiers? 17. Why did they want independence from England? 18. Who won? 19. Who became the first president? What happened to Hamilton's son? 20. Who became the second president? 21. 22. Who returns from France? 23. Who became the third president? How did Hamilton die? 24.
- 25. Who shot him?

Score	/ 25
Score	/ 25



BROADWAY PRODUCTION QUIZ

1.	What Theatre was the production performed at?	 	
2.	When was it first performed?	 	
3.	Who wrote the play?	 	
4.	Who played Hamilton?	 	
5.	Who played George III?	 	
6.	Who directed the production?		
7.	What production company produced the show?	 	
8.	What was the production budget?		
9.	What does the set represent?		
10.	What's a moving circular floor called on a stage?	 	
11.	What period are the costumes from?	 	
12.	What colour are the military tunics?		
13.	What styles of Music does it feature?		
14.	What has Hamilton only got one of?	 	
15.	Talk Less	 	
16.	Where did it happen?		
17.	What has its eyes on Hamilton?	 	
18.	Why do you write?		
19.	What will there be more of tomorrow?	 	
20.	Who's it nice to have on your side?		
21.	What will King George do to remind you of his love?		
22.	Who gets the job done?		
23.	How many words in the title of songs sung by George III? _		
24.	What song reverses time?		
25.	What does Eliza do at the end of the show?		
		Score	/ 25

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HAMILTON: FROM BOOK TO BROADWAY

Alexander Hamilton, America's most unlikely Founding Father, was a penniless immigrant from the Caribbean who arrived in New York City on the eve of the American Revolution. Hamilton rose to become George Washington's right-hand man and the first Secretary of the Treasury, only to meet a tragic end in a duel with the Vice President of the United States, Aaron Burr. Hamilton's story, as written by historian Ron Chernow, inspired Lin-Manuel Miranda to create the musical *Hamilton*. A diverse cast portrays the historical figures in what Miranda calls a "story of America then told by America now." ¹

Before reading Chernow's biography *Alexander Hamilton*, Miranda knew only that Hamilton was on the \$10 bill and that he died in a duel with Aaron Burr.² But as he read, Miranda saw parallels between Hamilton's complicated life and the lives of many people in America today:

"It is such an unlikely story. And in that, it's like the story of our country. It's completely unlikely that this country exists, except that it does. . . . And I thought, *That's hip-hop*. It's writing about your struggle, and writing about it so well that you transcend your struggle. "³

Lin-Manuel Miranda set out to create a hip-hop album about Alexander Hamilton.⁴ He first received attention for the project when he performed one song, "Alexander Hamilton," at the White House Poetry Jam on May 12, 2009. ⁵ Three years later, 12 songs were performed as part of Lincoln Center's "American Songbook" series. Ultimately, Miranda spent six years working on *Hamilton* before it opened Off-Broadway at New York's Public Theater in February 2015. The production enjoyed a sold-out run before it transferred to Broadway in July.

The attention to historical integrity in *Hamilton*, combined with its inventiveness and exuberance, sets it apart from other adapted works. Ron Chernow has praised Miranda for being "smart enough to know that the best way to dramatize a story is to stick as close to the facts as possible." ⁶ Miranda distills the 800 pages of *Alexander Hamilton*, multiple primary source documents, and almost 30 years of American history into two hours and 45 minutes of theatrical brilliance.

Both the biography and the hit musical explore Hamilton's life as it touched all the major players and central themes of the American founding. In *Alexander Hamilton*, Chernow retells the story of Hamilton's life by drawing on extensive research from primary and secondary sources and maintaining historical accuracy. In *Hamilton*, Miranda takes artistic license with facts while retaining historical integrity.

How did Lin-Manuel Miranda and Ron Chernow balance historical fact and creativity in telling Hamilton's story?

*: "Changing the Game: Lin-Manuel Miranda," Latin Post TV, November 8, 2015, www.youtube.com/watch?v=YXyDSuVb6bI *: "Alexander Hamilton Rap at the White House Evening of Poetry," May 12, 2009, www.youtube.com/watch?v=E0aX8Jy11MI

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INTERVIEWS WITH LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA AND RON CHERNOW



LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA

How has reading *Alexander Hamilton* and working on this musical changed what you think about the Founding Fathers and about the Founding Era in American history?

orking on this show has really proved the validity of something Ron Chernow said to me—you have to work really hard to make this part of American history boring. I think because we've grown up in this country, and because it has existed for more than 200 years, there is an air of inevitability about its existence: Well, of course, we declared our independence, and here we are. But it's an insanely unlikely story, the story of our founding.

The fun for me was not only in discovering the history of this era but also in exploring the idea that, depending on the teller, the story is very different. That became a major theme of the show.

I'll give you an example. At the Constitutional Convention in 1787, the delegates were working on the new form of the US government. Are we going to have three bodies? Are we going to have four? Then Alexander Hamilton said, "I've got an idea"—and went on to speak extemporaneously for six hours. We don't have Hamilton's copy of the speech. We do have James Madison's notes, and Madison would go on to be one of Hamilton's political rivals. What Madison wrote down was used against Hamilton for the rest of his career. One of Hamilton's ideas was electing a president for life, so later he was accused of secretly being a monarchist who was trying to bring back British-style government. Over and over again, we see that who tells the story determines the story being told, and that was one of the things that fascinated me.



RON CHERNOW

Let's talk for a little bit about fiction versus non-fiction. You wrote a book of non-fiction, and then Lin-Manuel Miranda made it into a musical. When is it fair to take artistic license with non-fiction?

One of the first things I learned from Lin-Manuel Miranda is that, while history is long, messy, and complicated, Broadway shows have to be short, coherent, and tightly constructed. And there is an inevitable tension between the two. So often, when writers in Hollywood or on Broadway use history or biography as the basis for a show, they don't really care what happened. Miranda does care what happened.

However, in a show, some dramatic license has to be taken with the history. In my biography of Hamilton, I have hundreds of characters. The musical *Hamilton* has only 10 or 12 characters, so everything has to happen to them, by them, and around them. Every time Lin had to use artistic license—that is, when he had to invent someone or something—he introduced authentic elements into the scene or characterization. So, for instance, in the show, Hamilton asks Burr to become one of the authors of the Federalist Papers. It's a completely imaginary scene, because the other authors were John Jay and James Madison. But Hamilton says to Burr, "I know I talk too much, I'm abrasive / You're incredible in court. You're succinct, / persuasive." In this way, Miranda has given us a perfectly accurate and very vivid description of the two men as lawyers. I think that because the ingredients in the broth are authentic, the broth has the flavor of real history. And he does that throughout the show.



CONTEXT

Act	Scene	Song	Location	Time	Description (What, Who and How)
			(Where)	(When)	
	1	" <u>Alexander</u> <u>Hamilton</u> "			
	2	"Aaron Burr, Sir"			
	3	" <u>My Shot</u> "			
	4	" <u>The Story of</u> Tonight"			
	5	" <u>The Schuyler</u> <u>Sisters</u> "			
	6	"Farmer Refuted"			
	7	"You'll Be Back"			
1	8	" <u>Right Hand</u> <u>Man</u> "			
	9	"A Winter's Ball"			
	10	" <u>Helpless</u> "			
	11	" <u>Satisfied</u> "			
	12	" <u>The Story of</u> <u>Tonight</u> (<u>Reprise)</u> "			
	13	" <u>Wait for It</u> "			
	14	"Stay Alive"			
	15	" <u>Ten Duel</u> <u>Commandments</u> "			

		"Meet Me Inside"		
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	17	"That Would Be Enough"		
	18	"Guns and Ships"		
	19	"History Has Its Eyes On You"		
	20	" <u>Yorktown (The</u> <u>World Turned</u> <u>Upside Down)</u> "		
	21	"What Comes Next?"		
	22	" <u>Dear</u> <u>Theodosia</u> "		
	23	"Non-Stop"		
	1	"What'd I Miss"		
	2	" <u>Cabinet Battle</u> <u>#1</u> "		
	3	"Take a Break"		
2	4	" <u>Say No to This</u> "		
	5	" <u>The Room</u> <u>Where It</u> <u>Happens</u> "		
	6	"Schuyler Defeated"		
	7	" <u>Cabinet Battle</u> <u>#2</u> "		
	8	"Washington On Your Side"		

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	9	" <u>One Last Time</u> "		
	10	"I Know Him"		
	11	" <u>The Adams</u> Administration"		
	12	"We Know"		
	13	"Hurricane"		
	14	" <u>The Reynolds</u> Pamphlet"		
	15	" <u>Burn</u> "		
	16	"Blow Us All Away"		
	17	"Stay Alive (Reprise)"		
	18	"I <u>t's Quiet</u> <u>Uptown</u> "		
	19	"The Election of 1800"		
	20	"Your Obedient Servant"		
	21	"Best of Wives and Best of Women"		
	22	" <u>The World Was</u> <u>Wide Enough</u> "		
	23	" <u>Who Lives, Who</u> <u>Dies, Who Tells</u> <u>Your Story</u> "		

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CHARACTER LIST

Character Name	Actor	Image	Character Description
<u>Alexander</u> <u>Hamilton</u>	<u>Lin-Manuel</u> <u>Miranda</u>		
<u>Aaron Burr</u>	<u>Leslie</u> Odom Jr.		
<u>Eliza</u> <u>Hamilton</u>	<u>Phillipa Soo</u>		
<u>Marquis de</u> <u>Lafayette /</u> <u>Thomas</u> <u>Jefferson</u>	<u>Daveed</u> <u>Diggs</u>		
<u>Angelica</u> <u>Schuyler</u>	<u>Renée Elise</u> <u>Goldsberry</u>		

<u>George</u> <u>Washington</u>	<u>Christopher</u> Jackson	
<u>John</u> <u>Laurens /</u> Philip Hamilton	<u>Anthony</u> <u>Ramos</u>	
<u>Hercules</u> <u>Mulligan</u> / <u>James</u> <u>Madison</u>	<u>Okieriete</u> <u>Onaodowan</u>	
<u>King</u> <u>George III</u>	<u>Jonathan</u> <u>Groff</u>	
<u>Peqqy</u> <u>Schuyler</u> / <u>Maria</u> <u>Reynolds</u>	<u>Jasmine</u> <u>Cephas</u> <u>Jones</u>	



HISTORICAL CONTEXT



Link the correct description to each character

Eliza Hamilton	Alexander Hamilton's Sister-in-Law
Angelica Schuyler	A spy against the British Government
George III	Alexander Hamilton's wife
Hercules Mulligan	The First President of the United States
George Washington	Alexander Hamilton's son
Philip Hamilton	A woman who has an affair with Alexander Hamilton
Maria Reynolds	The King of England

What do you learn about Alexander Hamilton during the first song?

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How did Lin-Manuel Miranda create compelling theatre using primary and secondary sources? Most importantly, how can you do what he did?

The following steps will take you through reading and interpreting historical documents, looking at how Miranda transformed the original words and ideas into lyrics, and doing your own research to develop a performance piece—rap, song, poem, monologue, or scene—based on primary sources and historical context. Keep in mind that your performance will be no longer than two minutes.



SETTING THE STAGE: ALEXANDER HAMILTON AND HIS ERA

Before exploring the performance, you will need to learn more about Alexander Hamilton and his era.

Alexander Hamilton bornonNevis, intheCaribbean	Family moves to St.Croix	Father abandons family Whenhewastenhisfathersplit,fullofit,debt-ridden	Aftermotherdies, beginsclerkingin St. Croix Theten-dollarfoundinafatherwithoutafather	Gotalotfartherbyworkingalotharder Bybeingalotsmarter	"HurricaneLetter" inRoyalDanish-AmericanGazette Putapenciltohistemple, connectedittohisbrain Andhewrotehisfirstrefrain, atestamenttohispain	EnrollsatKing'sCollegeinNewYork Getyoureducation,don'tforgetfromwhenceyoucame,and Theworldisgonnaknowyourname.What'syourname,man?	Publish &s <i>ullVindicationoftheMeasuresoftheCongress</i> hisfirstRevolutionarypamphlet	JoinsNYmilitiacompany		Appointedaide-de-camptoGeorgeWashington <i>Weaottamakeanall-outstand</i>	Ayo,I'mgonnaneedaright-handman. –GeorgeWashington	MarriesElizabethSchuyler	LeadsregimentatYorktown WeescorttheirmenoutofYorktown	Theystaggerhomesinglefile Theworldturnedupsidedown	Writescharterfor Bankof New York Co-founds New-York Manumission Society
1757 or 1755	Stamp Act 1765	1766	1768	Boston 1770	1772 	BostonTeaParty 1773 Whyshouldatinyislandacrossthesea regulatethepriceoftea?	-AlexanderHamilton 1774	AmericanRevolutionbegins 1775	DeclarationofIndependence 1776	1777	FranceallieswithUnitedStates 1778 JohnLaurensproposes"BlackRegiment"	1780	1781	AmericanRevolutionends 1783	1784

Compromise of 1790: Assumption of the debt fornational capital on AppointedfirstSecretaryoftheTreasurybyGeorgeWashington Writes ReportonthePublicCredit ReportonaNationalBank Writes Reportonthe Establishment of a Mint and Reporton TheworldwaswideenoughforbothHamiltonandme–AaronBurr Admitsaffairin ObservationsonCertainDocuments ffIthrowawaymyshot,isthishowyou'IIrememberme? Whatifthisbulletismylegacy?–AlexanderHamilton TiedElectionof1800:EndorsesJeffersonoverBurr Thenslowlyandclearlyaimyourguntowardsthesky *Manufacture* BeginsaffairwithMariaReynolds Goesandproposeshisownformofgovernment! flsaygoodbye, then ationle arnstomoveon Hisownplanforanewformofgovernment! Talksforsixhours!Theconventionislistless. DraftsWashington'sFarewellAddress Anewlineofcredit, afinancialdiuretic ffweassumethedebts, the union gets Summonallthecourageyourequire PublishesattackonPresidentAdams leffersonhasbeliefs.Burrhasnone AttendsConstitutionalConvention Amorousconnectionwithhiswife FightsduelwithAaronBurr, anddies ResignsasSecretaryoftheTreasury Look'emintheeve,aimnohiaher Butwhenallissaidandallisdone BeginswritingFederalistPapers Founds New-YorkEveningPost Itoutlivesmewhenl'mgone Eldestson, Philip, killedinduel Withhisknowingconsent ^coraconsiderabletime -GeorgeWashington -AlexanderHamilton -AlexanderHamilton -AlexanderHamilton Howdoyounotgetit? Myrealcrimeisan Ishould'veknown thePotomac 1787 1796 1798 1795 1797 1804 1788 1789 1790 1800 1801 [67] Jeffersoninaugurated as third President andBurrasVicePresident FrenchRevolutionbegins XYZAffair, and Alien and Sedition Acts Constitutional WashingtoninauguratedasPresident AdamsinauguratedassecondPresident **JSConstitutionratified** Thatpoorman,they'regonnaeathimalive! -KingGeorgelll JohnAdams?!...

Hamilton is the story of America's Founding Father Alexander Hamilton, an immigrant from the West Indies who became George Washington's right-hand man during the Revolutionary War and was the new nation's first Treasury Secretary. Featuring a score that blends hip-hop, jazz, blues, rap, R&B, and Broadway, *Hamilton* is the

story of America then, told by America now.

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LOOKING AT DOCUMENTS: A CLOSE READING OF PRIMARY SOURCES

Lin-Manuel Miranda took words and ideas from primary sources as the foundation for the story and the songs of *Hamilton*. In this section, you will do a close reading and analysis of excerpts from the two documents on which Miranda based the song "Farmer Refuted":

- *Free Thoughts, on the Proceedings of the Continental Congress*,⁷ by Samuel Seabury, in which the loyalist argues against the plans of the Continental Congress to oppose Great-Britain
- A Full Vindication of the Measures of the Congress,⁸ by Alexander Hamilton, in which the 19year-old Hamilton defends the actions of the Continental Congress

These are the first two attacks in an ongoing public debate between Seabury and Hamilton. Hamilton, a student at King's College, dramatically demonstrates his gift for demolishing an opponent's argument and constructing his own during the exchange.

Use the Primary Source Analysis worksheets on the next two pages as you read excerpts from the two texts. You will select key words and summarize the meaning of the excerpts, using first the author's key words and then your own words. Once you have completed the worksheets, you will be able to identify:

- 1. Each author's point of view
- 2. Each author's reason for writing the document

You will use the same process later to analyze the documents you choose for your own performance piece.

⁸: Excerpts from A Full Vindication of the Measures of the Congress, from the Calumnies of Their Enemies ..., by "A Friend to America" [Alexander Hamilton] (New York, 1774): 4, 25–26. Available through the Sid Lapidus '59 Collection on Liberty and the American Revolution, Princeton University Digital Library, http://pudl.princeton.edu/objects/6i053g71x.archive.org/stream/fullvindicationo00hamil.



⁷ : Excerpts from Free Thoughts, on the Proceedings of the Continental Congress, by "A. W. Farmer" [Samuel Seabury] (New York, 1774): 1–2, 36, The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, New York NY, GLC09666

PRIMARY SOURCE ANALYSIS

Free Thoughts, on the Proceedings of the Continental Congress, by the Reverend Samuel Seabury (excerpts):

Permit me to address you upon a subject, which, next to your eternal welfare in a future world, demands your most serious and dispassionate consideration. The American Colonies are unhappily involved in a scene of confusion and discord. The bands of civil society are broken; the authority of government weakened, and in some instances taken away: Individuals are deprived of their liberty; their property is frequently invaded by violence, and not a single Magistrate has had courage or virtue enough to interpose. From this distressed situation it was hoped, that the wisdom and prudence of the Congress lately assembled at Philadelphia, would have delivered us. The eyes of all men were turned to them. We ardently expected that some prudent scheme of accommodating our unhappy disputes with the Mother-Country, would have been adopted and pursued. But alas! they are broken up without ever attempting it: they have taken no one step that tended to peace: they have gone on from bad to worse, and have either ignorantly misunderstood, carelessly neglected, or basely betrayed the interests of all the Colonies. . . . Will you be instrumental in bringing the most abject slavery on yourselves? Will you choose such Committees? Will you submit to them, should they be chosen by the weak, foolish, turbulent part of the country people? —Do as you please: but, by HIM that made me, I will not. —No, if I must be enslaved, let it be by a KING at least, and not by a parcel of lawless upstart Committee-men. If I must be devoured, let me be devoured by the jaws of a lion, and not gnawed to death by rats and vermin.

Key Words:

Summary of the Author's Words:

Restatement in Your Own Words:



PRIMARY SOURCE ANALYSIS

A Full Vindication of the Measures of the Congress, by Alexander Hamilton (excerpts):

... They endeavour to persuade us, that the absolute sovereignty of parliament does not imply our absolute slavery; that it is a Christian duty to submit to be plundered of all we have, merely because some of our fellowsubjects are wicked enough to require it of us, that slavery, so far from being a great evil, is a great blessing; and even, that our contest with Britain is founded entirely upon the petty duty of 3 pence per pound on East India tea; whereas the whole world knows, it is built upon this interesting question, whether the inhabitants of GreatBritain have a right to dispose of the lives and properties of the inhabitants of America, or not? ... The port of Boston is blocked up, and an army planted in the town. An act has been passed to alter its charter, to prohibit its assemblies, to license the murder of its inhabitants, and to convey them from their own country to Great-Britain, to be tried for their lives. What was all this for? Just because a small number of people, provoked by an open and dangerous attack upon their liberties, destroyed a parcel of Tea belonging to the East India Company. It was not public but private property they destroyed. It was not the act of the whole province, but the act of a part of the citizens; instead of trying to discover the perpetrators, and commencing a legal prosecution against them; the parliament of Great-Britain interfered in an unprecedented manner, and inflicted a punishment upon a whole province, "untried, unheard, unconvicted of any crime." This may be justice, but it looks so much like cruelty, that a man of a humane heart would be more apt to call it by the latter, than the former name.

Key Words:

Summary of the Author's Words:

Restatement in Your Own Words:



LYRICS FOR "FARMER REFUTED"

from the score of Hamilton by Lin-Manuel Miranda

SAMUEL SEABURY

Hear ye, hear ye! My name is Samuel Seabury, and I present "Free Thoughts, on the Proceedings of the Continental Congress!" Heed not the rabble who scream revolution, they have not your interests at heart.

MULLIGAN

Oh my God. Tear this dude apart.

SEABURY

Chaos and bloodshed are not a solution. Don't let them lead you astray. This Congress does not speak for me.

BURR

Let him be.

SEABURY

They're playing a dangerous game. I pray the king shows you his mercy. For shame, for shame ...

He'd have you all unravel

sound of screams but the

revolution is comin'. The

have-nots are gonna win

hard to listen to you with a

HAMILTON

Yol

at the

this, it's

straight face.

SEABURY

Heed not the rabble

Who scream Revolution, they Have not your interests at

heart.

Chaos and bloodshed already haunt us, honestly you shouldn't even talk. And what about Boston? Don't let them lead you Look at the cost, n' all that we've lost n' you talk about Congress?! My dog speaks more eloquently than thee! But strangely, your mange is the same.

Chaos and bloodshed are not A solution.

astray.

This Congress does not speak for me,

they're playing a dangerous game.

HAMILTON

Is he in Jersey? For the revolution!

COMPANY

For the revolution!

SEABURY

Heed-

HAMILTON

If you repeat yourself again I'm gonna-

SEABURY/HAMILTON

Scream—

HAMILTON

Honestly, look at me, please don't read!

SEABURY

Not your interests—

HAMILTON

Don't modulate the key then not debate with me! Why should a tiny island across the sea regulate the price of tea?

BURR

Alexander, please!

HAMILTON

Burr, I'd rather be divisive than indecisive, drop the niceties.

ENSEMBLE

Silence! A message from the KIng! A message from the King!

FULL COMPANY

A message from the King!



SEABURY

I pray the king shows you his mercy. For shame, For shame,

SIDE BY SIDE: COMPARE AND CONTRAST

Find lyrics from the song "Farmer Refuted" and quotations from the primary sources that reflect the same ideas, even if the words are not exactly the same. Write the lyrics in the left column and the matching text from a document in the right column. Identify the author of each quotation, either Hamilton or Seabury. Then consider the following question as you write your own rap, song, poem, monologue, or scene: How do the lyrics capture the meaning and message of the original texts?

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CREATING YOUR PERFORMANCE

OVERVIEW

- A. What Story Do You Want to Tell?
- B. How Will You Tell Your Story?
- C. Write Your Performance Piece (no more than two minutes long!)
- D. Rehearse and Revise
- E. Perform for Your Class

A) WHAT STORY DO YOU WANT TO TELL?

- a) Based on your interests and research and the time allowed by the project, decide what story you want to tell and how to draw the audience into that story.
- b) Consider: What do you find interesting about the historical person, event, or document? What will move the audience? How will you use primary sources in your performance piece? Even if you choose an event or a document, your story is being told by a person (or several people). Keep in mind who is telling the story and his or her point of view.
- c) You are welcome to choose any Founding Era person, event, or document. You can pick from the list below or pick your own starting place. You will find background information and primary sources on the Hamilton Education Program Online website [hamilton.gilderlehrman.org] for selected people, events, and key documents. You can also supplement your research with additional resources. Use the Research Organizers on pages 18 and 19 to help you with this part of the project.

PEOPLE

Abigail Adams
John Adams
Samuel Adams
Richard Allen
Theodosia Burr Alston
Aaron Burr
Angelica Schuyler Church
Paul Cuffe
Benjamin Franklin
George III, King of Great-Britain
Nathanael Greene

- Alexander Hamilton Elizabeth Schuyler Hamilton Philip Hamilton John Jay Thomas Jefferson Henry Knox Lucy Knox The Marquis de Lafayette, John Laurens James Madison Gouverneur Morris
- Hercules Mulligan Thomas Paine Paul Revere Philip Schuyler Margarita (Peggy) Schuyler Van Rensselaer George Washington Martha Washington Phillis Wheatley

EVENTS

1770 Boston Massacre	1786 Shays' Rebellion
1773 Boston Tea Party	1787 Constitutional Convention
1774 First Continental Congress	1790–1791 Debate on a National Bank
1775 Battles of Lexington and Concord	1794 Whiskey Rebellion
1776 New York and New Jersey Campaigns	1800 Presidential Election
1777–1778 Winter at Valley Forge	1804 Hamilton-Burr Duel
1781 Battle of Yorktown	



KEY DOCUMENTS

1765 The Stamp Act

1772 Phillis Wheatley's Poem on Tyranny and Slavery

- 1775 Patrick Henry's Speech to the Second Virginia Convention ("Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death")
- 1775 Olive Branch Petition
- 1775 Declaration of the Causes and Necessity of Taking Up Arms

1776 Declaration of Independence

1776 Common Sense

1781 The Articles of Confederation ratified

1785 James Madison, Memorial and Remonstrance Against Religious Assessments

1787 and 1788 Federalist Papers and Antifederalist Papers

1788 United States Constitution ratified

1789 George Washington's First Inaugural Address

1789 The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano

1791 Bill of Rights

1791 Hamilton's Report on the Subject of Manufactures

1796 George Washington's Farewell Address

RESEARCH ORGANIZER: PERSON OR EVENT

Person or Event: _____

Background Summary: In 2–4 sentences, identify the most significant, interesting, or memorable facts or aspects of the person's or event's background story.

Primary Sources: Find at least three sources. Find powerful quotes in each document.

Primary Source 1: Cite the first document and source here.

Notes or Quotations: Place your quotation here. Include any notes to help you recall why you chose this quotation. Repeat the same process for Primary Sources 2 and 3.



Repeat the same process for Primary Sources 2 and 3.

Primary Source 2:

Notes or Quotations:

Primary Source 3:

Notes or Quotations:

The Big Finish: What aspect of this person or event "speaks" to you? How will your research help you tell your story?



RESEARCH ORGANIZER: KEY DOCUMENT

Identify the document:

Background Summary: In 2–4 sentences, identify the most significant, interesting, or memorable facts or aspects of the document's background.

Select one excerpt from the document and explain its significance:

Select a second excerpt from the document and explain its significance

Select a third excerpt from the document and explain its significance

Select a fourth excerpt from the document and explain its significance

The Big Finish: What aspect of the document you selected "speaks" to you? How will your research help you tell your story?



B) HOW WILL YOU TELL YOUR STORY?

Which format should you use-rap, song, poem, monologue, or scene?

Lin-Manuel Miranda chose different musical voices and styles for different historical people based on their personality and their role in history. Hamilton was driven and unrelenting, traits that reflect hip-hop. Miranda identified the OldWorld King George III with 1960s British pop and the world-traveling Thomas Jefferson with jazz.

What style of artistic expression best tells your story?

C) WRITE YOUR PERFORMANCE PIECE

Remember to keep the following guidelines in mind when creating your performance piece:

- Must be based on your research
- A maximum of two minutes for your performance
- No more than three people in a group

Our Script

Character | Dialogue / Action



Character Dia	alogue / Action

D) REHEARSE AND REVISE

Adequate rehearsal is vital. A two-minute presentation should be rehearsed a minimum of three hours, excluding time spent learning the material.

Polish your performance:

- Projection: Make sure the audience can hear and understand you
- Movement and Expression: Both should be used to help convey the message of your piece
- Revision: Be willing to make changes to your performance based on feedback from others

E) PERFORM FOR YOUR CLASS OR SCHOOL PROJECT RUBRIC (15 Points)

Your performance piece will be evaluated based on your research and the historical integrity, originality, and artistic expression in your work.

	Research	Historical Integrity	Artistic Expression
1	Inadequate research shown	Lacks historical integrity	Little or no creative effort or originality
2	Needs more evidence of research	Very inconsistent in historical integrity	Some creative effort and originality
3	Good examples of historical research in primary sources	Historical integrity is generally maintained	The piece shows originality and artistic merit
4	Above-average quality of insightful research in primary sources	Above-average historical integrity	The piece is original, creative, and performance-ready
5	Clear evidence of exemplary research in primary sources	Clear evidence of exemplary historical integrity	Production is highly creative and original, well written, and well performed

What is meant by	What is meant by	What is meant by Artistic	What is meant by
Research?	Historical Integrity?	Expression?	Originality?
Use primary sources from the Hamilton Education Program Online website or independent research to understand your person, event, or document. You may need to use information you learned in class or from reading reputable sources.	Your performance piece captures the meaning and message of the primary sources, although artistic license may have been used to change specific facts.	Your performance piece provides an original interpretation of your topic through song, rhyme, or prose that conveys to the audience a clear, engaging message.	The performance piece does not copy another piece of work; the originality comes from choice of character, inventiveness of lyrics and music, and unique expression of ideas and story.



DESIGN

This lesson you will be exploring props, costumes and set

Do Now

What is the word 'prop' short for?

What are they?

What's the difference between a stage prop and a hand prop? ______

PROPS	SET DESIGN
List all of the key props that were used in the performance	Draw the set and label
COSTUME	
COSTUME List all of the key costume elements that were used in the performance	



Tasks - Costumes

1. As a designer, draw the costumes for the one of the female characters from *Hamilton*. Explain the style, garments, colour, fabric, accessories, hair and make-up you have chosen and the reason for your choices.





2. As a designer, draw the costumes for the one of the male characters from *Hamilton*. Explain the style, garments, colour, fabric, accessories, hair and make-up you have chosen and the reason for your choices.



- 3. Using this template, design the following:
- suitable stage makeup for the character of Eliza Hamilton
- an expressionistic mask for the character of King George III



Task - Props

Make a list of the props that appeared in the production of *Hamilton* and where in the play they were used.

Ргор	Where was it used?



TECHNICAL DESIGN

What are the abbreviations of lighting and sound?

FX	LX
FX List all of the key sounds that were used in the performance	LX Re-draw the set with added lighting and label

Explain the reasons for the design choices

Task - Set

Below is the set design from the production of Hamilton.



Below identify 3 scenes where lighting changed and how it was used.

	What is happening	Atmosphere created by lighting	Effectiveness	Colour
1				
2				
3				



Performance

Use the following exercises to familiarise yourself with the characters within the play and how they were portrayed in the performance.

1. Create a list of all the characters within the play decide on three words that you think best describes each character.

Character Name	3 Words
Alexander Hamilton	
Aaron Burr	
Eliza Hamilton	
Marquis de Lafayette	
Thomas Jefferson	
Angelica Schuyler	
George Washington	
John Laurens	
Philip Hamilton	
Hercules Mulligan	
James Madison	
King George III	
Peggy Schuyler	
Maria Reynolds	

2. Choose your favourite actor and write a character profile below. Include your reason or choosing them, what type of character they played, how they are portrayed their role and other characters that they are linked too



Movement



Look at the image above. After you have viewed the image carefully, answer the following questions:

1. What do the **facial expressions** of the Mulligan, Lafayette, Laurens and Hamilton communicate to the audience about their relationship?

2. What does the **body language** of both Mulligan, Lafayette, Laurens and Hamilton communicate to the audience about the atmosphere within the scene?

3. What does the **posture and proxemics** of both Mulligan, Lafayette, Laurens and Hamilton communicate to the audience about their relationship?



SECTION B

Answer either question .

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You should base your answer on **one live theatre** production seen during the course. You must use a **different** text from the one used in Section A.

At the beginning of your answer, you should state the name of the production, the company and the venue.

Either,



Analyse and evaluate how costume, hair and make-up for **two** characters made an impact on you as a member of the audience.

[15]

In your answer include:

- a detailed description of the costume, hair and make-up
- how costume, hair and make-up were used to communicate meaning
- your response to the costume, hair and make-up as a member of the audience



[15]

In your answer include:

- reference to the acting style
- how the actor used vocal and physical skills to create character and communicate meaning
- your response to the actor's performance as a member of the audience





Key Words

Devising Rehearse Rehearsal Script Scene Character Narrator Still Image

Stanislavski:

Given Circumstances Units And Objectives Through Line Adaption Motivation Super Objective Subtext Imagination Physical Actions The Magic 'If' Communion Tempo Rhythm Concentration Relaxation Emotion Memory

Vocal Skills

Pitch Pace/ Tempo Pause Accent Volume Clarity

Physical Skills Movement Proxemics Gesture Posture Stillness Positioning Blocking Expression Facial Expressions

Lighting Design

Plotting LX Intensity Focus Angle Colour Gobos Fresnel Lantern Parcan Lantern Profile Spot Lantern LED DMX Moving Heads

Sound Design

Music Sound Effects Live Sounds Recorded FX Volume Reverb/Echo Amplification Microphones XLR/Jack/Phono

Set Design

Proscenium Arch Traverse Stage Thrust Stage In-the-Round Backdrop Cyclorama Props Furniture Entrances/Exits Sight Lines

Costume Design

Material/Fabric Garments Hair Styles/Wigs Make-Up Accessories

