Theatre Performance Video Collection Pictured: UK's National Theatre's Treasure Island and Royal Shakespeare Company's Hamlet.

Theatre Performance Video Collection raises the curtain on world-class theatrical performances courtesy of the U.K.'s National Theatre, Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC), and British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), allowing students to experience the classics of Shakespeare, Arthur Miller, Jane Austen, and Mary Shelley as well as contemporary plays and interpretations. Showcasing performances from exemplary actors and directors such as Helen McCrory, Adetomiwa Edun, Simon Russell Beale, and Maggie Smith, the well-studied plays and literary works in this collection are sure to spark engaging discussions and projects for students. It is a must-have for schools with theatre, drama, performing arts, and literature classes.

CONTENT HIGHLIGHTS

Bring texts to life through unlimited simultaneous use of streaming video to aid the analysis of performances, play texts, and literary works. This collection features:

- Plays and literary works commonly studied in high school English and Theatre classes, literary classics, and recent productions with modern themes.
- Supplementary documents supporting teaching and learning and behind-the-scenes insights such as exclusive archival materials from the National Theatre Archive, Rehearsal Insights from the National Theatre, and Teaching Packs and production stills from the Royal Shakespeare Company.



Hugh Quarshie and Lucian Msamati in Royal Shakespeare Company's Othello. Photograph: Kieth Pattison

TEACHING AND LEARNING

This collection aids teaching and learning of theatre and drama in schools with a variety of content and tools. Here are just a few ideas for using the collection:

- Bookmark specific scenes, monologues, and staging examples and embed in learning management systems to aid in distance learning.
- Invite students to compare multiple productions of a play to highlight the effect of actors and directors on the performance, stagecraft, costume design and other aspects of theatrical production.
- Showcase BBC Face to Face interviews alongside excerpts of live performances to deepen understanding of the craft of acting and writing.
- Let students view Rehearsal Insights from the National Theatre to aid their analysis of a play and inform their own insights.



Royal Shakespeare Company's Othello as displayed on the Alexander Street video player.









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National Theatre Collection

National Theatre Collection brings the stage to you through 30 high-definition streaming video performances and unique archival material, drawing on 10 years of National Theatre Live broadcasts as well as recordings never previously seen outside of the National Theatre's archive. As a supplement to the filmed productions, exclusive digitized archival materials such as prompt scripts, costume bibles, and costume designs provide behind-the-scenes background and contextual information.

"Nothing can replace the experience of seeing work live – but sharing these recordings of so many important NT Live productions will give schools an amazing insight into the world of contemporary production. These recordings will create a unique and rich teaching tool – and in a world where funding and support for teaching Drama in schools is being constantly undermined – creating ways for teachers and pupils alike to access this work is more vital than ever."

- Paule Constable, Lighting Designer

The Royal Shakespeare Company Collection

The Royal Shakespeare Company Collection offers 25 high-definition, surround-sound recordings of The Bard's dramatic canon along with supplemental teaching materials to enhance student engagement.

High-quality Shakespeare productions are always in demand. With The Royal Shakespeare Company Collection, your library can offer modern productions featuring the world's best Shakespearean actors, like David Tennant, Sir Antony Sher, Paapa Essiedu, and Simon Russell Beale, and directors like Robin Lough and Dewi Humphrey. Recordings are accompanied by production images, teacher packs, and study notes to increase understanding of these important plays.

"This new streaming partnership provides a cost-effective way for schools and universities to access high-quality cultural experiences."

- Jacqui O'Hanlon, Director of RSC Education

BBC Literary Adaptations in Video

BBC Literary Adaptations in Video is a treasure trove of BBC productions, with nearly 200 hours of video, much of which was buried in the BBC archive for decades. From Dickens to Shakespeare, Chekhov to Arthur Miller, Jane Austen to Mary Shelley, more than 50 famous literary works are included. Talent like Mark Rylance, Yoko Ono, John Gielgud, Sir Ian McKellen, Colin Firth, and more make this product a must-have. In addition to performances, the collection includes titles like Face to Face with actors and writers discussing their craft. Ideal for use in Drama and Performing Arts classes to analyze their craft or specific performances, and English/Literature classes to support the teaching of literary works.



Patrick Kennedy and Carey Mulligan in the BBC adaptation of Bleak House. Photograph: Mike Hogan/BBC



Leah Harvey and CJ Beckford in the UK National Theatre's Small Island. Photograph: Brinkhoff Moegenburg

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