

Features of playscripts

- Cast-to show who is in the play, with brief description of each character.
- Scenes tell you where the play is taking place. There are no chapters or paragraphs. At the beginning of each scene there is a brief description of where the scene is taking place and what is happening.
- Name of speaker is written before their dialogue. A colon is usually put after the name. No speech marks. New line for new speaker.
- Stage directions tell people what to do or how to say their words. These are either written in italics or put in brackets or both.
- Present tense is used.
- Narrator sometimes tells the story.
- Words in capital letters - need to say these loudly or emphasize them.
- Ellipsis ... to show a character is thinking or hesitating or for suspense.