GCSE:

These changes only apply to the 2021 exam series.

- Component 1 there are no planned changes to the written exam.
- Component 2 (devised piece) Students are allowed to complete a monologue.
- Component 3 (scripted) this will be examined by post.
- Component 3 the number of performances required has been reduced from two to one. However, students must continue to identify two extracts from their chosen play and can perform both should they wish to.
- Component 2 and Component 3 performances the timing requirements has been reduced to one and a half minutes (monologue) and two minutes (duologue/group).
- Component 2 and Component 3 performances a penalty will applied to performances that don't meet these minimum requirements in the same way as in previous series.
- Components 2 and 3 students are allowed to submit alternative evidence where it hasn't been possible to produce a recording of a final performance.

A-Level:

A-level Drama and Theatre (7262) These changes only apply to the 2021 exam series.

- Component 1 there are no planned changes to the written exam.
- Component 2 students are allowed to complete a monologue.
- Component 3 this will be examined by post.
- Component 3 the required number of extracts has been reduced from three to one. However, AQA will accept all submissions and mark all work (whether one, two or three extracts have been explored).
- Components 2 and 3 the timing requirements have been reduced to one and a half minutes (monologue) and three minutes (duologue/group).
- Components 2 and 3 a penalty will be applied to any performances that do not meet these minimum requirements in the same way as in previous series.
- Components 2 and 3 AQA will allow students to submit alternative evidence where it hasn't been possible to produce a recording of a live performance.