



Career Presentation: Actor

Directions: In small groups or pairs, research and present on one (1) of the topics below. Be informative, creative, and persuasive, while also being mindful of your public speaking skills. Presentations must include visuals and at least one interactive element (e.g., a short skit, quiz, or Q&A).

1. A Day in the Life of an Actor

Describe a typical workday for an actor (on set or on stage).

Include rehearsals, auditions, shoots, or performances.

Highlight the variability in schedules.

2. Famous Actors and Their Career Paths

Choose one or more well-known actors.

Describe how they got started, their major roles, and key turning points.

Discuss how fame affects their personal and professional life.

3. Education and Training

What kind of training do actors need?

Include drama schools, theater programs, acting workshops.

Compare self-taught actors vs. formally trained actors.

4. Skills and Qualities of Successful Actors

Highlight soft skills (e.g., communication, adaptability, emotional intelligence).

Discuss physical and vocal training, memorization, and improvisation.

5. Auditions and Casting

Explain how auditions work.

What do casting directors look for?

Share examples of real casting calls or audition tapes.

6. Types of Acting Careers

Compare film, TV, stage, voice acting, commercials, etc.

What are the pros and cons of each type?

Include examples of actors who specialize in each.

7. Behind the Scenes: The Acting Industry

Who helps actors succeed (agents, managers, directors)?

What is the role of unions like SAG-AFTRA?

Discuss pay scales, contracts, and networking.

8. Challenges and Realities

Talk about job insecurity, competition, and rejection.

Discuss mental health, side jobs, and long hours.

Share stories of perseverance and resilience.

9. Technology and Acting

Explore how green screens, CGI, voice AI, and virtual auditions are changing the industry.

What skills will actors need in the future?

Career Presentation Rubric:

20 Points - Depth of Knowledge

20 Points - Use of Vocabulary (at least 5 terms)

20 Points - Creativity

20 Points - Public Speaking

20 Points - Visual Aid