



THEATER TERMS & DEFINITIONS

1. **Act:** a major division of a play. Acts may be further divided into scenes. May be used to indicate a change in time or place.
2. **Action:** the movement in the play from the initial entanglement through the rising action, climax, and falling action to resolution
3. **Actor:** one who performs a role or represents a character

	Term	Meaning
the theatre the corner prompt) the corner " and	1. Angel: the financial broker of a production Mabaret	the stage manager controls the show. From here he has communication links to all parts of the show and gives cues to all departments. The prompt corner can be on either side of the stage but traditionally it is on the left (i.e. the prompt side). The person who is operating the prompt corner is sometimes said to be "in the corner" or "on the book".
the Right called for because Prompt	2. Bastard Prompt	Used when the Prompt corner is Stage Right instead of the usual stage left also called "opposite prompt" (OP). This may be for architectural reasons in the venue or a set means that the view point from the prompt corner is obscured.
now, be the	3. DSM	Deputy Stage Manager, will cue the show from the book, giving calls and 'go's to the cast.