

We Tell Stories Through Theatre

How do people use drama to tell stories?

Developmental Stage

Second grade students are entering Piaget's Concrete Operational Stage. They begin to think logically and sequentially, but are very concrete in their thinking. Children can now conserve and think logically but only with practical aids. They are no longer as egocentric as younger children, but they still see the world with themselves at the center. They are able to follow narrative in storytelling.

Practices we use in drama activities:

- **Developing structured stories, understanding structure**
- **Understanding objectives and motivation**
- **Understanding character vs. person vs. actor**
- **Developing and resolving social conflicts**
- **Gaining a greater recognition of gender differences**
- **Developing independence**
- **Beginning to write**