

mediastage™

Media learning software to create, direct and stage a virtual play, film or TV production...



What is mediastage?

Imagine if students could experience every aspect of staging their own theatre, TV or film production – without even leaving their desks?

Script-writing, casting, set building, direction, lighting, audio recording, film and camera skills: the mediastage virtual 3D production platform, with numerous pre-made activities and performances, is truly an interactive and entertaining media studies curriculum in a single package.

The mediastage learning concept

mediastage is a fully equipped, totally realistic, virtual 3D production studio. It offers students the chance to direct, experience and control every human and technical aspect of a stage or screen production. Initially designed for media studies in the secondary school curriculum, the interface is so intuitive that many primary schools have successfully started to use mediastage too - as an engaging tool to support multi-media story telling.

Media production involves understanding many different skills and roles. For this reason, mediastage is ideal for encouraging student teamwork and collaboration and allows students to save and share the performances as image or movie files for uploading to the web or emailing.

"If you get the chance to see mediastage in action or try it for yourself, you'll soon see why it's one of the best examples of educational software around."

George Cole, TES

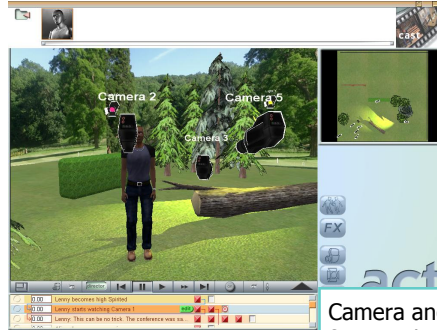
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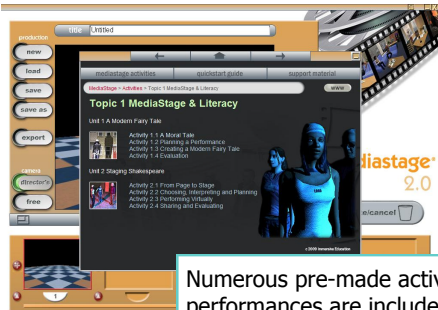




Students can storyboard and script the entire production and use as many characters as is required



Camera angles are laid out and reviewed from multiple plains thus allowing the director to choose the best approach.



Numerous pre-made activities and performances are included with mediastage



mediastage comes with a wide variety of resources and tools which allow the students to design their own sets.

Using mediastage

mediastage comes with a comprehensive library of resources and tools. Students build and populate their sets, select their characters and arrange lighting and cameras using objects from the library. Character movements, lighting and cameras are in their full control. Students can:

- build their own 3D stage sets and experiment with staging
- add virtual actors from a 3D cast and animate them using a range of gesture and movement instructions
- direct the cast to walk, talk, and pose! Text-to-speech technology allows characters to speak students' scripts, whilst an audio recording facility allows them to record their own voices - both with full character lip-synchronisation
- operate cameras, frame shots and set up lights and add special effects
- import sound effects, still images, video files and background music

Learning benefits & outcomes...

Immersive experience spanning every aspect of production

Students discuss and demonstrate their own understanding of media language, forms and conventions through performance.

Brings the stage and screen to life with a click

Gives students unparalleled access to understand and practice key skills and techniques.

Builds confidence and skills in direction and production

mediastage is inclusive and reassuring for those students who would normally shy away from acting out scenes in real life.

Encourages collaboration

Use with a series of pre-made activities and performances or as an open-ended creative learning tool.

Ideal for whole class or individual learning

Equally suitable for desktop, notebook or interactive whiteboard use