

Wednesday 7 January – Tuesday 20 January 2026

Level 3 Cambridge Technical in Performing Arts

05850/05851/05852/05853 Unit 1: Prepare to work in the performing arts sector





INSTRUCTIONS

- You must undertake research to prepare for the portfolio, personal pitch and an audition/presentation in response to the advertisement.
- You will produce your portfolio, personal pitch and audition/presentation under controlled conditions.
- You can take in up to four A4 sides of notes from your research.
- You must produce your work using IT.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this task is 60.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- This document has 4 pages.

Community Magic*

'There's art in this community.'

A well-known community arts company, Community Magic, is looking for talented performing arts practitioners to take part in an exciting event.

The performance event will be a central part of the launch of a newly refurbished canal-side warehouse. This has undergone a magical transformation to create a new community arts complex.

The newly restored warehouse is being managed by an arts consortium, motivated to join forces and bring resources to a site at the heart of the community. There is a large nightclub central to the complex, and income from this will support community arts events aimed at people of all ages.

Community Magic is planning a launch that will include performance work from different disciplines and a range of styles. It is looking for people to fill a wide range of performance and production roles.

Apply today to be part of the team. You should prepare a pitch and an audition piece for a performance or production role that will be appropriate for Community Magic and the launch event.

Community Magic is an equal opportunities employer and upholds inclusive working policies.

*Community Magic is a fictitious events company

With reference to one of the roles in the advertisement above, you are required to:

- 1 Prepare to pitch for one of the roles mentioned. Your preparation must include a portfolio of documentation (guide of 1500–2500 words) including:
 - introductory comments on your chosen vocational role, including its current employment conditions and promotional methods. These comments should be made with reference to the advertisement and the role applied for
 - a report on the economic, social and cultural context of the event outlined in the advertisement
 - the proposed materials for progression into your chosen vocational role including any ideas and adaptations that you have made to meet the specific demands of the advertisement
 - your overall progression strategy and how this job opportunity fits into these longer-term plans
 - references to the skills, knowledge and understanding gained as part of your learning programme

[24 marks]

- 2 Pitch a response to the advertisement to the camera (maximum 10 minutes). Your pitch should include answers to the following questions [6 marks for each]:
- (a) Why have you applied for this project?
- (b) What role are you interested in and how will this contribute to the project?
- (c) How will the experience and knowledge that you have gained while on your course be relevant to this project?
- (d) What is your progression strategy for the next five years?
- (e) How do you think working on this project will contribute to your progression route?

[30 marks]

3 Audition/presentation piece – present an example of your work to the camera, which is relevant to the advertisement and the role applied for (maximum 5 minutes).

[6 marks]

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