



Dear parents,

Konfident Kidz work with the Irish Board of Speech and Drama for our Speech and Drama, Communication, and Public Speaking exams.

We have found that the Irish Board share our philosophy that the benefits of Speech and Drama extend far beyond stage skills, and promote everyday life and communication skills in our pupils.

#### WHY WOULD EXAMS BENEFIT MY CHILD?

At Konfident Kidz, our goal is to promote self confidence in all our pupils. We firmly believe that the experience of working toward, and completing an exam helps to achieve this goal. The exam is a fantastic experience for our pupils as it gives them the opportunity to showcase their interpersonal skills in a one-on-one environment; something that many people don't have the chance to do until job or university interviews.

#### WHO ARE EXAMS OPEN TO?

Exams are open to every Speech and Drama, and Musical Theatre student in Konfident Kidz. Having taken on board the feedback of parents from the last year, pupils will now be able to prepare for their exams in class.

#### WHICH EXAM SHOULD MY CHILD DO?

There are 3 strands of exams that Konfident Kidz can prepare your child for:

- 1) Musical Theatre Exams
- 2) Grade Exams
- 3a) Communication Skills
- 3b) Public Speaking and Presentation Exams

1) Musical Theatre exams are open to our Musical Theatre students.

2) Grade exams are open to our Speech and Drama students. We would recommend these exams to any of our pupils who have already completed exams with the London College in previous years, as they will be a similar continuation, and to anyone looking to start exams that will focus on performing poetry, prose and drama pieces, as well as the theory behind speech and drama.

3a) Communication Skills exams are open to our Speech and Drama students up to 9 years of age who would like to improve their ability to communicate directly with other people.

3b) Public Speaking and Presentation exams are open to our Speech and Drama students from 10 years of age onwards who would like to improve their ability to communicate directly with other people, make speeches in public, and improve their interview skills.

PLEASE NOTE: We do not recommend switching from one strand of exam to another, eg. Doing one year of Grade exams and then a year of Communication skills exams. This will disrupt your child's development in the strand they have chosen.

### HOW MUCH DO THE EXAMS COST?

The Irish Board of Speech and Drama is a more cost-effective exam option than our previous examination body. Below you will find a list of exam fees. We have needed to include a small fee of €6.50 in order to cover the cost of renting a suitable exam venue and the added administration involved in entering students for exams.

Full exam fees must be paid by 20th October.

#### Musical Theatre Solo

Preliminary One	€29.50
Preliminary Two	€29.50
Junior One	€31.50
Junior Two	€31.50
Junior Three	€31.50
Junior Four	€35.50
Intermediate One	€37.50
Intermediate Two	€37.50
Intermediate Three	€39.50
Intermediate Four	€39.50
Senior One	€46.50
Senior Two	€49.50
Proficiency	€68.50

#### Grade Exams

Preliminary Grade One	€25.50
Preliminary Grade Two	€25.50
Grade One	€29.50
Grade Two	€32.50
Grade Three	€35.50
Grade Four	€37.50
Grade Five	€42.50
Grade Six	€46.50
Grade Seven	€50.50
Grade Eight	€52.50
Grade Nine	€54.50
Grade Ten	€54.50
Grade Eleven	€56.50
Final Grade	€61.50
Proficiency Grade	€72.50

#### Communication Skills

Preliminary One	€22.50
Preliminary Two	€22.50
Junior One	€25.50
Junior Two	€25.50
Junior Three	€27.50
Junior Four	€27.50

#### Public Speaking and Presentation

Grade One	€24.50
Grade Two	€26.50
Grade Three	€27.50
Grade Four	€32.50
Grade Five	€40.50
Grade Six	€45.50
Grade Seven	€31.50
Public Speaking Proficiency	€72.50

#### HOW DO I ENTER MY CHILD FOR AN EXAM?

If you want your child to do an exam, you will need to fill in the entry form given to you by your child's teacher and return it to her along with the appropriate fee in cash.

If you have any queries or questions, please contact [evaleen@konfidentkidz.ie](mailto:evaleen@konfidentkidz.ie)