Spotlight on Playscripts!

Step into the spotlight and let your story take the stage!

- **Character names are written in capital letters on the left side of the page so the actors can quickly spot their lines.**
- **Dialogue is the spoken words of the characters, which appear directly after their name.**
- **Stage directions are instructions written in brackets or italics, telling actors how to move or how to say their lines.**
- **The setting description at the start of a scene tells the audience where and when the action is taking place.**
- **A colons (:) is often used after a character's name to separate who is speaking from what they are saying.**

Did you know? Did you know? Playscripts are written specifically to be performed by actors! Unlike a storybook, a script uses special formatting to help the cast know exactly what to say and how to move on stage.

Key vocabulary: Character · Dialogue · Stage Directions · Setting · Scene · Script