Is Theatre Dead Again?

September 15th

* Refer to handout → forms & structures *

ELEMENTS OF DRAMA (The Poetics - ARISTOTLE) →

Plot → arrangement of dramatic action (conflict)
Character → in moral sense (values, objectives)
Theme → The connections
Language → Dialogue / monologue
Music → The rhythm of the play / music / sound
Spectacle → scenery, move / up, costumes → visual elements

FORMS / GENRE OF DRAMA (look on handout)

PLAY STRUCTURES (look @ handout)

Climax → linear & logical (w/ climax)
* Character learns something
* Protagonist → character who undergoes a "shift"
Antagonist → provokes the change of protagonist

Episodic → journey (characters choose)
* No connection required w/ place & time
* May contain various plots (school, fame, etc.)
* Not much exposition