



Word builder

Ask the class to come up quickly with as many words associated with the theatre as they can, including those from the text.

Before students do the exercise, explain that it is a superstition in the theatre never to say 'good luck' to anyone before they perform – it is thought it will bring the opposite of good luck. Instead they say 'break a leg', which should bring the opposite of breaking a leg, so nothing bad will happen.

Answers

1. I remember my first time on stage well. I'd been called for an audition to see whether I was any good. Before I went on, other actors wished me luck by saying break a leg. It was then curtain up, the start of the show. I was waiting in the wings. I heard one of the actors say the line that was my cue ...
2. Advise students to think of sentences using the words in the Word cloud first. They can then write them out with gaps for the key words before exchanging sentences with a partner for completion.