The Task

Write 300 words (or equivalent) on how the character of the FOREMAN would be performed according to his motivation and objectives.

Focus Questions:

- Describe the role the character plays in the scene.
- Explain the character’s objective within the scene and his motivation for achieving it.
- Describe how you would perform the character to communicate meaning (voice and movement)
- Explain what this performance would tell your audience about the character.

EXAMPLE Paragraph

The character of the Foreman is used within the scene to show a middle manager in a dilemma. The Foreman is responsible for dealing with the death of one of his workforce but is also concerned about getting caught by his leader. The character’s objective within the scene is to hide the body of the dead workman. His motivation is the fear of getting caught and punished by a senior officer. When performing the character of the Foreman I would like to show his anxiety. I would do this by using twitchy, staccato movements. I would constantly glance off stage as if I were looking out for anyone who could be approaching. I would use an urgent tone of voice to deliver my lines, creating a difference between the Foreman’s orders and his control of the situation. This would enable the audience to understand that while the Foreman has a position of authority, he is unable to maintain control as a result of his nervousness. It also shows how the Foreman’s fear of punishment makes him forget that he is actually dealing with the death of another human being.