

## DANCE A LEVEL SUPER-CURRICULAR: AIMING FOR THE TOP AND ASPIRING HIGH

### Reading Tasks

#### **Fifty Contemporary Choreographers**

**Fifty Contemporary Choreographers** By Martha Bremser & Lorna Sanders.

*A unique and authoritative guide to the lives and work of prominent living contemporary choreographers. Representing a wide range of dance genres, each entry locates the individual in the context of modern dance theatre and explores their impact.*

#### **Marie Rambert**

**Marie Rambert: Quicksilver** by Marie Rambert

*Dame Marie Rambert was a Polish-Jewish dancer and dance pedagogue who exerted a great influence on British ballet, both as a dancer and teacher.*

#### **Matthew Bourne and his adventures in dance**

**Matthew Bourne and his adventures in dance** by Alistair Macaulay

*In 1996, Adventures in Motion Pictures made history as the first modern dance company to open a production in London's West End, guided by Artistic Director Matthew Bourne. In his early works - Spitfire, Town & Country and Deadly Serious - Bourne brought a novel approach to dance. And in his reworkings of the classics of the ballet canon - Nutcracker, Swan Lake, Cinderella - Bourne created witty, vivid, poignant productions that received great acclaim.*

#### **The Intimate Act of Choreography**

**The Intimate Act of Choreography** by Lynn Ann Blom and Tarin Chaplin

*A comprehensive book that covers all aspects of choreography from the most fundamental techniques to highly sophisticated artistic concerns.*

#### **Out of Line**

**Out of Line** by Judith Mackrell

*This book looks at the history, characteristics and practitioners of New Dance and is the first book to cover all aspects of it.*

### Writing Tasks

#### **Review**

Write a review about a performance you have been to see. Hand it in to the Head of Dance for discussion and evaluation.

### Listening Tasks

#### **Matthew Bourne interview**

Listen to the interview with Matthew Bourne on [reinventing Swan Lake](#).

*Sir Matthew Christopher Bourne OBE is an English choreographer whose work includes contemporary dance and dance theatre.*

## **Watching Tasks**

### **Sadlers Wells Theatre**

Watch a performance at [Sadlers Wells Theatre](#), a theatre in Angel (London) , which hosts a variety of dance works from contemporary to hip-hop companies.

*The theatre strives to make and share dance that inspires us all. As one of the world's leading dance organisations, they're dedicated to dance in all its forms and invite you to experience all it has to offer.*

## **Research Tasks**

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Research and write up your findings about the famous British dance practitioner.

### **Dance History**

Research the history of dance in Britain and produce a timeline

## **Trips & Visits**

### **Rambert Dance Company**

[Rambert Dance Company](#)

Visit Britain's oldest dance company

### **MOVE IT**

[Move It Dance Event](#)

*MOVE IT is the world's biggest dance event, bringing together 31,389 people from the performing arts community. Whether you're a dancer, teacher, spectator, student or parent, the show has something for everyone*

## **Creative Tasks**

### **Create a podcast**

Create a podcast for younger students about the process of choreography and creating a dance work.

### **Audition or workshop**

Audition for the Samuel Whitbread dance company, a county dance company/youth company and/or CAT programme at Hot House Dance.

## **Student Led Tasks**

### **Rambert Home Studio**

Take part in Rambert Dance Company [online dance classes](#).

### **Being a Leader**

Lead a year 9 dance club, support Year 11 dancers in lessons with exam work, lead the warm up during Dance Company sessions.