

REVIEWS OF THE COVENANT PLAYERS BY PUPILS FROM FORM 8L

Holle

On Friday we went to the assembly hall of our school to see the Covenant Players.

The whole show took only 45 minutes. The group of actors had 4 members: two men and two women of various ages. They had a different sense of humour than ours here in Germany, which is not surprising. They travel all around the world and visit schools because they want the students to have fun with the English language.

The show was not a usual theatre play because they acted out sketches and then we talked about them and we had to do short activities too, for example you had to ask a partner 20 times “who are you?” and then the partner asked back and you had to answer.

In my opinion the drama activities we did with the Covenant Players were thought-provoking because we e.g. had to think about who we are. I would recommend the group because it is a nice alternative to lessons and it is original, enjoyable and cool.

Cepand

The Covenant Players consist of four people who only spoke English and who did lots of fun activities with us. Our class went to see their show in our assembly hall in the fifth lesson last Friday. The show lasted for about one lesson.

There were two men and two women. One man had a pronounced squint and the other man looked like an outsize swot. But that does not matter – what counts is what they did with us.

English is the most important language in the world and everyone has to be able to speak it. This is what the Covenant Players wanted to show us – and that English is fun.

However, I personally did not enjoy the activities, but I know they had good intentions and that is the important thing. So I would nevertheless recommend the group to my friends.

Franz

I found that we as the audience did not enjoy the Covenant Players so much because our English was not good enough to understand all the jokes, so we often laughed because we thought the actors were nice and we did not want to hurt their feelings.

But the jokes we did understand were funny. Sometimes they were even deeply philosophical – e.g. when they asked us who we were and they did not want to know our names, but they wanted to learn something about our personalities.

I think the Covenant Players travel around the world and it is hard for them to produce a show that everyone can enjoy. For me the show was disappointing.

Claudia

Last Friday, 26th February, the Covenant Players visited our school. They consisted of four interesting people from very different parts of the world. For example David came from California and Morten from Sweden. They are volunteers who travel around the world for one year and visit schools, churches and so on. They do this because they want us to have fun with English and they want to tell us something about life in general.

The show took 45 minutes. I think this was too short because it was fun and very interesting to listen to them. Without much equipment they did some pretty good sketches, which were very thought-provoking. For example they asked us who we were. But they did not want to know our names because we are not our names, are we? They wanted to know things about us, about our lives. But not everyone knows himself or herself, so this was a philosophical question. Besides, they asked us why we do sports – to have fun or because of the prizes we might win?

I really liked the Covenant Players because they were unusual and fun. In my opinion it is worth one's while as a student to do drama activities with the Covenant Players, so I would recommend them.