

Monologues

This activity accompanies “Precedent,” from *The Complete Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Paul Laurence Dunbar, record number 5110.

Activity Title: Monologues

Description: The students will choose a poem to practice and perform a monologue.

Subject: Reading/Language Arts

Skill: Communication

Behavioral Objective:

- The student will choose a poem to practice and perform a monologue.

Materials:

- “Theology,” “Resignation,” “Love’s Humility,” and “Precedent” poems, available in audio and print form at <http://etc.usf.edu/lit2go/>
- Paper and pencil

Procedures:

Read the poems with the students, or have them read them on their own. Next, have the students choose one of the poems to perform a monologue in front of the class. Give the students time to memorize and practice their poems before having to recite them. Have them practice with a partner or small group.

