A dramatic monologue is any speech of some duration addressed by a character to a second person; a soliloquy is a type of monologue in which a character directly addresses an audience or speaks his thoughts aloud while alone or while the other actors keep silent.

Characters express their thoughts through monologues, and use them to deliver important speeches to the audience and other characters. They can be used to share feelings, plans, anxieties—anything that a character needs to communicate that can only be accomplished through speech.

**WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF A MONOLOGUE?**

The purpose of a monologue is to convey important information to the audience that will be needed to understand the overall storyline. This information is called *exposition*.

### You Try

1. Using context clues and reference resources, determine the meaning of unfamiliar words. Then choose six words from those that have been underlined, bolded, and/or that you have circled, and paraphrase the definitions to show your understanding.

2. Choose two or three of the words you have examined that you think are important to your understanding of the passage. Use the words in sentences as part of a summary that explains the central ideas in the passage.

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