

# Monologues

**Directions:** Read the following monologues and select which one you would like to perform

- Girl Monologues = Yellow
- Boy Monologues = Blue
- Girl or Boy Monologues = Green

Then, [CLICK HERE](#) to go to Padlet and on your “sticky” say:

- Your name (first and last)
- Name of the monologue you selected

**Monologue #1 - Girl - Dramatic**  
**“Same Thing”**

*In this teen girl monologue, TARA confronts her friend about how competitive she seems to be with her all the time.*

**TARA:** Why do you always feel the need to do that? You don't have to be so competitive all the time if we're friends. We are friends, aren't we? (beat) Then why do you always try to one up me? If I get a lipstick, you get the same one, if I get a blouse, you have to get the same one, in a different color, if I like a guy, you have to try to hook up with him. What's your deal?

(beat)

I feel like whatever I do or want you go after the same things. I don't know if it's cause your jealous of me or insecure with yourself. I want you to do your own thing and be your own person and stop chipping away at what I have going on.

## **Monologue #2 - Girl - Dramatic**

### **“Typical Teen”**

*In this teen girl monologue, SHADIRA confronts her Mother about the pressures she has in her life and how she needs more support and understanding.*

**SHADIRA:** I’m trying. It’s not always as easy as you think. I have so much going on in my life and I can only do so much. I know you think I am Wonder Woman, I know how things look to you and everybody else on the outside, but I am still only eighteen and sacrificing so much of my youth for what I want in my life.

I get that this is what I want and I’ve brought this upon myself. You are right, it is what I want but you can’t continue to burden me with things you need me to do for you. I don’t have time to run to the store on the way home from practice, when I have exams and homework. I don’t have time to have hour-long dinners with you and the family, or do chores or all the other things that other girls my age do...I can’t have a boyfriend or go to house parties or any of it.

(beat)

It’s not that I don’t want to do those things, well, I can do without the chores, but I need to be disciplined and fully committed to figure skating. You know this Mom, you know what this means to me. Please try to understand me better. I’m not your typical teen.

### **Monologue #3 - Girl - Dramatic**

#### **“Attention”**

*In this teen girl monologue, MICHELLE confronts her sister about how she is always the cause of drama in their family.*

**MICHELLE:** That’s all you want, isn’t it? That’s what you do, it’s why you always create drama in this family. Attention! You’re just never happy unless the world is talking about you. You can’t live without creating some kind of drama so everyone can be thinking about you and that makes you happy.

Why are you so sick in the head? Why? Why can’t you just be normal and not be so crazy like that? It’s freaky and weird and there are better things you could do for people to think of you. Do some good stuff once in a while and I bet you will not only get everyone thinking about you but you will also feel good about yourself for a change.

Don’t you want that? Don’t you want to feel good about yourself?

## **Monologue #4 - Girl - Dramatic**

### **“Just So You Know”**

*In this teen drama monologue, SALLY complains to her sister about how disturbed she is over how she gets treated by her.*

**SALLY:** Why do you have to be such a loser to me all the time? You literally treat me like dirt. It's like we're not even sisters. You never want to hang out and you're always so mean to me, especially when you're with your friends. God forbid I'm even in the same room with you when your friends stop over. You always tell me to leave. It's my house too and I don't have to go into another room just because you say so. Just because you are older doesn't make you the boss of me.

(pause.)

You're never there for me. Not even as a friend let alone sister. Seriously. You don't even know who I am and we live together. It's pathetic, really. It is.

I hope that one day you stop trying to be so cool and start treating me like someone you actually care about in your life. Nothing would be cooler and more important to me than that...just so you know.

## **Monologue #5 - Girl - Dramatic**

### **“Bring About Change”**

*In this teen drama girl monologue, MELANI talks to her Auntie about her deep interest in making the world better by helping people.*

**MELANI:** I want to be famous. I want to be absolutely famous. Not famous like a singer or actress...I want to be known for helping people. I only want the fame to come because I know that it will help make people more aware of my cause. I plan on using fame to strengthen what I believe in for the benefit of others.

...I see so many horrible things going on in the world...so many people suffering in so many different countries...including our own...it makes me think what kind of future will my generation have?

This is what motivates me...helping people. That much I am certain of...I know there is nothing else I wish to do in my life but make this world better, bring people together, make things good. I'm taking time now while I'm young to figure out my plan and strategies to make a difference.

I'm not trying to claim that I want to be some sort of saint but I know my calling is to bring about change, *here*, before I leave...and I know I will.

## **Monologue #6 - Girl - Dramatic**

### **“Swag”**

*In this monologue MELANIE talks to her brother about how he shouldn't feel humiliated in school just because she's his sister.*

**MELANIE:** So what if I'm not one of the cool kids at school? So what? ...Because I don't have nice swag or whatever, I'm not considered good enough? I have friends and I *like* my friends but I don't go around talking trash to them about YOU the same way you do behind my back. I'm your sister and you should always put that first. Just because I'm not popular like you doesn't mean you should be ashamed of me in any way. That's retarded and one day you'll realize how stupid you've been. One day all of this high school nonsense won't even matter!

**Monologue #7 - Boy or Girl - Dramatic**  
**“I’m Not Dumb”**

*A student talks to his/her guidance counselor about feeling less intelligent than the other kids.*

I try my hardest in school but I am always just passing by the skin of my teeth. I feel like I am dumber than the other kids. I don’t know why I am not smart like they are. I study when I go home. Sometimes I stay after school for extra help. I always do extra credit.

Why am I not smart enough, Mrs. Gardner? I want to have a good future. I know I am young but what I do now will mean something later in my life, I just know it. My parents are immigrants who came to this country and I want to make them proud. But how can I make them proud when I am stupid?

What is wrong with me?

## **Monologue #8 - Girl or Boy- Dramatic**

### **“What’s Your Deal”**

*In this monologue, a person talks to Cher, who he/she thought was a good friend of his/hers but has been acting shady whenever she is in front of her “other” friends.*

I know I’m eccentric but that doesn’t mean I’m crazy, does it? I’m a little quirky and rough around the edges but it doesn’t mean I’m not all there mentally. You shouldn’t judge me based on what people say about me and letting them fool you into thinking I’m weird and strange when you’ve gotten to know me. You shouldn’t be embarrassed hanging out with me or talking to me in front of your other friends. I thought you were better than that. But if you want to pretend and act like we were never really cool with one another because it’s uncool to be seen with me around school, then fine, do what you need to do and go hang out with your other peeps. I don’t need a friend like you anyway.

**Monologue #9 - Girl or Boy- Dramatic**  
**“Goodbye”**

*In this kid monologue, SAM is leaving with family to go back home and says final goodbye to a chained dog named BLACKY.*

**SAM:** Hey Blacky, listen, I came here to tell you it's my last day. Do you hear me? We're leaving tomorrow, my mum and dad are packing our suitcases now.

I'm terrified to leave you, Blacky. What are you gonna do without me here? Chained to the ground like this? You've changed my life, my whole life during this past week and I'm going to miss you more than anything. But I want you to know one thing, you may be cold some days, lonely, tired but you'll never be forgotten, I'll always remember you, for as long as I live.

I wish I could save you, but I can't, they won't let me take you, Blacky. Do you remember the star that we saw last night? That's us together, in another place...far away from here.

## **Monologue #10 - Boy- Dramatic**

### **“Old Enough to Work”**

*In this teen monologue, MARTIN complains to his Mother about how they never have any food in their refrigerator.*

**MARTIN:** There's never anything to eat in this house, Mom. How come we never have snacks or anything good? There's nothing. Nothing in the cabinets, the fridge, nothing ever. I go to my friends houses and there's always a ton of food. It's like being in the store. How come we never have anything like that in our house? Huh?

(he stares at his Mother, who is apparently deeply upset)

Mom, look...I'm old enough to work. I could get a job somewhere now, I think. Right? Something. Just to help out. (beat) I didn't mean to...I think I can get a job at the market cause I overheard some people talking that some of the new stores being built are going to need workers and I could find out if they want to hire me. One of them is going to be a sandwich shop. I can make sandwiches. It's not that hard to make sandwiches...

(beat)

Mom...Mom...I'm sorry. I just get hungry. I don't want you...it's cool. You know? I'm fine. Don't worry. Okay?

(beat)

It's fine, Mom. We're fine. Really. I'll go over to the market tomorrow and find out the deal. Alright? Trust me, everything is fine.

## **Monologue #11 - Boy- Dramatic**

### **“Final Exam”**

*In this teen monologue, SCOTTY RYAN is a popular guy in school but works up the nerve to ask one of the ‘nerds’ for help studying for the final exam so he can graduate.*

**Scotty Ryan:** Listen, uh I was wondering, I don't know how to really ask you this but I was hoping you could kind of help me out with studying for the final...like, just meet up a few times cause I'm trying to pass and if I don't pass, I'm not gonna graduate. Mr. Ling told me today that everything depends on me passing the final cause my grades were bad all year long, so, I know we don't know each other but I know how smart you are in class and if anybody could help me pass I figured it would be you. I'll pay you if you want and please don't say anything to anyone about helping me cause I don't want anyone knowing I'm in this situation.

## **Monologue #12 - Boy- Dramatic “Space”**

*In this teenage monologue for a guy, TOBEY confronts his Mother about how she needs to start giving him more space.*

**TOBEY:** Mom, why do you always tell me to do things at the wrong time. I know what you're going to say, "When is it ever the right time?" But you don't understand, you always ask me to do things around the house when I'm in the middle of something. Like when I had my friends over yesterday, you ask me to rake the leaves... Why would you ask me to rake the leaves when my friends just showed up? It's not like you didn't know they were coming, I asked you beforehand. Or what about when I was studying for an exam, it's not like I was playing video games, I was studying and you ask me to do the laundry.

Mom, I don't mind doing chores but you need to respect my space a little bit too because I do have a life and what I have going on matters to me. You may not think so but it does and I'm telling you this without arguing with you because I want you to understand where I'm coming from. Okay? Can we get on the same page with this?

## **Monologue #13 - Boy- Dramatic**

### **“Get Settled”**

*In this teen male monologue, JOSH is talking to his Grandpa about how he has to defend himself against the school bully.*

**JOSH:** Well, Grandpa, I'm not going to have a choice. I'm gonna have to fight 'em. I've warned him so many times but he won't shut his big stupid face and I keep telling him to stop, stop, stop and he won't. Now, he's acting all tough in front of our friends, trying to make me look like I'm scared of him or something...so, I think I'm going to have to go and fight him because I can't let him keep thinking it's alright to try to say things to me he shouldn't keep saying. I've given him enough warnings and he keeps doing it and it's getting worse, so I think before he goes too far, it needs to get settled.

## **Monologue #14 - Boy- Dramatic**

### **“Robotics”**

*In this teen monologue, NICK talks to a friend about what he wants to do in his life for career.*

**NICK:** I don't know man, I kind of been struggling with it, I guess. Not sure what I want to do, really. I don't know how it's so easy for everybody else it seems. Like Dan, he just always knew he wanted to be a basketball player, since he was like five. How do you know something like that so young, right? I mean, I don't even remember being five. Crazy to me.

I don't even know what college I want to go to and how can I know if I don't know what it is I want to do. The stuff I like has nothing to do with anything or it's like a specialized school and my family doesn't have the money for me, not with three brothers and three sisters. (beat) I love mechanical things...building robotics type stuff. Wires and connectors. I've always been into that. You know, you see all my gadgets and stuff but where am I gonna go for that? I just think it's a dream man. I'm probably going to do some community college type thing and get some regular job making decent money somewhere. I don't know. Sounds lame but I don't think I can take my interest in robotics too seriously because it just doesn't seem like something that can happen.

Talking to my parents about it is a freaking joke. Always too busy and they just expect me to go to community college anyway like my older brothers, so, whatever right? What can I do?

What do you think man, what do you think I should do?