

Characterisation

Drama - Approaching text: Bringing it to life

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Let's read the monologue

Character A (14 years old) is talking to their neighbour.

I was going to tell you. I promise. I was going to tell you. I just... time just went by and it wasn't long before you'd forgotten about it, so I just... I let it slip. I didn't think it was important. If I had known then what I know now of course I would have said something immediately. Do you think I'll get into trouble? That day when you caught me in your garden, I was only there because I saw someone lurking in the back garden. I wanted to ask them if they knew you. How was I supposed to know that they were going to come back and do what they did.



Task 1

Given Circumstances and interpretation

Write a list of all the things you know about the character in this monologue based on what you have read.

Then write a list of questions of things you'd like to know about the character in the monologue



Task 2

What is the characters motivation?

Complete the sentence: “In the monologue, my characters motivation is...”

Then highlight the line that, for you, best demonstrates that motivation.



Task 3

Perform the monologue

Act out the whole monologue. Change the way your voice sounds to show your interpretation of the character and to communicate the characters motivation to the audience

