**Define It**

A monologue is a long speech made by a character, usually in a play.

**Monologue**

Monologues are similar to other devices such as asides and soliloquies, but there are important differences. Whereas a soliloquy involves a character speaking his thoughts/feelings to the audience or him/herself, no other characters are involved. Similarly, asides (whilst also being much shorter) are not heard by other characters. A monologue is simply the thoughts of a person spoken out loud, so it could be to another character.

**Deconstruct It**

From the Greek *monos*, meaning single, alone.

From *logos*, meaning speech, word.

**Link It**

Duologue, soliloquy, sermon, speech, lecture, discourse.

**Use It**

Micky's song about Sammy acts as a monologue.