

MONOLOGUE EXCERPT: UNDER THE BIG TOP

By Martin Follose

Gender: Male or Female

Genre: Serio-Comedy

(In this monologue - Hawkins, whose family has a long history of working as bankers, is talking to two clowns from the circus and wants to join them. Hawkins has always dreamed of being able to live a life making people laugh)

Hawkins - (male or female)

You two are SO funny. It must be fun to have a job that makes people laugh.

I wish I could be a clown. *(pantomimes that he looks sad)*

Sad? Am I sad? Yes, I'm sad.

Why am I sad?... Well, that's a long story.

Oh, you want to hear it?

Well... it starts with me being born to a family of bankers. My father and his sister are bankers and their father was a banker and so... everyone expects me to be a banker.

I don't want to be a banker... I don't like working with numbers... But tell my father I that I don't want to be a banker. No way... I'm afraid of him.

I should be strong... I should march into my father's office... open my heart and tell him how I feel... I don't think I can do it.

Oh, I wish I could be a clown like you guys! Me. A clown... WOW! A chance to make people laugh... that has been one of my life's dreams... *(takes a moment to think about his dream and makes a big decision)*

Okay... Let's do it!

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MONOLOGUE EXCERPT: MINDREADER

By Thalia O. (www.dramanotebook.com)

Gender: Male or Female

Genre: Comedy

(In this monologue, a teen shows off an ability to read minds.)

Okay I know this might sound crazy but just hear me out.

You see the thing is... OK don't freak out but, I can read your mind!

Ahh I know crazy right. Like seriously I don't know how this happened, it just did I guess.

Oh my gosh... ughh... I know what you're thinking.

Man, I knew this would happen, you think I'm going insane aren't you?

OK you do you know that I just told you I can read your mind so basically, I know what you're thinking, as in I know you're thinking I'm a total lunatic but I'm not, trust me.

I can totally prove it to you...

...but then that means I'll have to read what you're thinking out loud and...

...I wouldn't want to expose you like that...

...but then again... you're asking for it.

Like seriously, don't try me because I will do it...

(Pause)

All right don't say I didn't warn you!