

OREGON TRAIL

As seen in the skit, families often left their homes and traveled westward seeking greater opportunities. The expedition, or trip often took several months and families had to plan wisely for the Oregon Trail. The Pioneers faced many challenges along the way. The monologues performed illuminated some of these struggles.

A *monologue* is a speech _____ by an actor/actress that is only spoken to the _____. The speaker expresses their _____ thoughts _____. Monologues are often used in _____. These inner thoughts can expose _____ and illuminate things about that _____ and _____ characters as well.

Directions: Each character performed a monologue. From the information provided in those monologues, choose one struggle/challenge you thought each Pioneer faced in the skit and illustrate them in the boxes below and on the side write down how you thought you would have handled the situation, would you have taken different actions?

