

Student Activity #4

Stories and Legends

Summary

Storytellers are able to captivate audiences. Some of the techniques they use include:

- intonation of voice
- gestures
- facial expressions
- displays of emotions, moods
- instill emotions eg. fear
- humor
- physical actions

You can practice essential skills by participating in the following activities:

1. Pantomime
Practice actions and emotions
2. Improvisation
Use spontaneous dialogue to present a familiar situation.
3. Role Playing
Role plays situations eg. Part of a story, a news story,
4. Dramatic or Choral Reading
Write a brief monologue and present it to others. Practice and present a choral reading.
5. Conversation
Create a conversation between two people, animals, and objects of nature (sun and moon)

Activity

Choose one of the legends to create a play.

Coyote and Salmon

Story of the Moon

Coyote and Grizzly Make the Seasons and Day and Night

Wolf and Wolverine

Story of Famine (Hunger)

Remember to involve your audience by using the techniques listed above.

Present your play to a group.