Sample Performance Task #3
for an Integrated Theatre & Language Arts Unit on
MYTHOLOGY: DAEDALUS AND ICARUS

Goal:
To understand how cause and effect are represented in the “Daedalus and Icarus” myth

Student Roles:
Actors role-playing characters from the myth

Audience:
Peers

Situation:
Students create scenes to represent events, ideas, and relationships that define and support character traits, motivations, and actions.

Product:
Improvised scenes exploring causes and effects occurring in the myth

Criteria for Assessment:
Creating
The improvised scenes present the “voices” that influence the characters’ decision-making process, illustrating the cause and effect relationships in the myth.

Performing
Individuals contribute fully and uniquely to the ensemble effort. Characterization is motivated and maintained.

Responding
Appropriate vocabulary is used with understanding. Explanations and examples of causes and effects present in the myth can be supported in discussion.