2 African American females (20's)
This is a comedy sketch the likes of *Amos and Andy* or *Jack Benny and Rochester.*

M. REAL
What you wanna do is stop talkin' bout goin' to jail. Uplift yo'self, elevate, be somebody. Follow in the footsteps a' great men.

L. COLLINS
Now what the use of me bein' somebody and elevatin.? What good it's goin' do me, I wanna go somewhere I can eat.

M. REAL
Well, that's all right. If you elevate, then you can eat.

L. COLLINS
I never will forget the words of my grandmother use to tell me when I was a little boy. She use to hold me on her lap and look into my big blue eyes. She'd push my goldilocks back from my forhead and said, "Son, my darlin son, where there's a will dere's a way."

M. REAL
She was right!

L. COLLINS
I got a will to eat, but I cain' find the way.

M. REAL
Keep on lookin' you'll find it.

L. COLLINS
But now since you said dat, ah, elevation- you know, dat's sumpthin' good. We ought to do that. Get outta the gutter and step on the sidewalk.

M. REAL
Now you talkin'.

L. COLLINS
Follow in the footsteps of great men-

M. REAL

Yeah!

L. COLLINS

Men like Booker T. Washington.

M. REAL

That's a great man.

L. COLLINS

That's a man who's name is known everywhere.

M. REAL

Yeah!

L. COLLINS

The chillun knows him, his picture is in de books and papers. Why? Because he was a man that done sumthin'.

M. REAL

Yeah! (beat) And what did he do?

L. COLLINS

I don't know. But whatever it was, he done it.

M. REAL

Yeah.

L. COLLINS

And look at that other great man.

M. REAL

Who was that?

L. COLLINS

Dat great soldier-

M. REAL

Who?

L. COLLINS

Frederick Douglass- put his gun on his shoulder, walked out onto de battlefield, and said, "Gimme liberty or shoot me."

M. REAL

Uh-huh.

L. COLLINS

And dey shot him.

M. REAL

What?

L. COLLINS

But there's a man-

M. REAL

Who?

L. COLLINS

Abraham Lincoln.

M. REAL

Honest Abe?!

L. COLLINS

Dat's da one!

M. REAL

Chopped Down his daddy's cherry tree-

L. COLLINS

Sho nuff did.

M. REAL

Wont he a white supremecist?

L. COLLINS

Ain't everybody <u>perfect!</u>