Speakers' Club Handbook

Welcome to Speakers' Club! Before we can get started we need to go over a few rules and expectations to make Speakers' Club a success. In order for us to succeed everyone must participate!

Expectations

Opening Address

• Each member must begin their presentation with "Good morning chairperson, teacher, other adults, and fellow students."

Voice

- Use a loud, clear voice
- Make eye contact
- Do not have anything in your mouth
- Avoid being monotonous
- Do not speak too quickly!

Body Language

- Maintain good posture
- Face your audience
- Avoid playing with objects (ex. Cue cards, clipboard)

Organization and Preparation

- You must be fully prepared for all presentations (you will be handing in all cue cards each meeting)
- Do not attempt to "wing it"
- Make sure you include all necessary elements to receive full marks

Closing

- Each member must end their presentation with an appropriate concluding statement
- Ex. "And in conclusion... Thank you for your time today"

Duties of Speakers' Club Presenters

Chairperson

- 1. Have the agenda filled out
- 2. Call the meeting to order and conclusion at the end
- 3. Introduce each speaker and their topic
- 4. Keep the meeting running smoothly, and do not tolerate interruptions/noise
- 5. Keep all members handed in speeches in order

Evaluator

- 1. Will help teacher evaluate each students' performance
- 2. Must give accurate, fair marks and quality comments
- 3. Must fill out the marking sheets for each speaker and give suggestions
- 4. Fill out the Oratory Skills evaluation for each presenter
- 5. Must provide everyone their marks at the end of the meeting

General Reporter

- 1. Tell the group your expectations for the meeting
- 2. Fill out the General Reporter's Form
- 3. Choose 3 highlights of the meeting to share with the class
- 4. Give 3 suggestions on how the meeting could have been better
- 5. Choose a favorite speech of the day and tell why

Poetry

- 1. Choose and introduce your poem and the poet
- 2. Briefly summarize the poem and your reason for choosing it
- 3. Provide a copy of the poem for the teacher
- 4. Recite the poem
- 5. Include introduction and a conclusion

Music Talk

- 1. Bring a CD (or from an iPod/mp3 player) with your song on it
- 2. Introduce the song and artist
- 3. Give some information on the artist/group
- 4. Explain why you like the song/artist and play a portion for the class
- 5. Provide the lyrics for the song, and explain your favorite part

****all songs must have appropriate lyrics for school - no swearing, no violent themed songs****

Comedian

- 1. Choose 5-10 appropriate jokes/riddles to tell the class
- 2. Tell the class where you got the jokes from
- 3. Explain why you chose the jokes to tell
- 4. Include an introduction and conclusion ****racist or offensive jokes will result in a zero and possibly greater

consequences****

Demonstration

- 1. Introduce your topic and state what you are demonstrating
- 2. Explain each step as you demonstrate it
- 3. Bring all necessary props

Sports Report

- 1. Report on 1 local, 1 amateur, and 1 professional sporting event
- 2. Report on at least 2 different sports
- 3. Tell the class of any major sporting events coming up

Movie Talk

- 1. Introduce the movie title with names of main characters and actors names
- 2. Explain what year the movie was made
- 3. Summarize the movie (don't give away the ending \odot)
- 4. If you own the movie bring it in and play a clip of your favorite part
- 5. Explain why you liked it

Headlines

- 1. Report any news from school, community, Canada, World
- 2. Choose 3 headlines to share
- 3. Explain the headlines and the importance of them

Book Talk

- 1. Bring a copy of the book for the meeting
- 2. Introduce the book, author, genre, copyright date, publisher
- 3. Briefly summarize book
- 4. State if you liked the book and why
- 5. Read a few of your favorite pages

Story Time

- 1. Choose an interesting/humorous experience to share with the class
- 2. You must prepare the story beforehand
- 3. Use appropriate body language and sound effects
- 4. Use pictures if necessary
- 5. Stories should be at least 2 minutes long

TV Talk

- 1. Introduce the TV show and the main characters
- 2. Give a general description of the program
- 3. Share when the program can be seen and what channel it is on
- 4. State likes/dislikes of the show

****TV shows must be appropriate to share with the class - ask if you aren't sure!****

Historical Moment/Person

- 1. Provide date and name or description of the event/person
- 2. Give the historical significance of the event/person
- 3. Explain why you chose this event/person
- 4. Give audience at least 3 points of interest and a few facts

Famous Person

- 1. Identify the person and what they are famous for
- 2. Share background information about the person (birth date, hometown, etc.)
- 3. Give a background about how the person became famous
- 4. Provide a few facts and interesting details about the person
- 5. If possible provide a picture of the famous person

Game Review

- 1. Introduce the game (board game, playground, video, computer, etc.)
- 2. Tell us why you like the game
- 3. Give a brief overview of how to play the game

Memory Box

- 1. Bring in a few items that are meaningful to you
- 2. Share with the class why it is meaningful and provide details
- 3. Show your item/items and pass around if able to

Master Chef

- 1. Speak about a favorite dish or food
- 2. Share the recipe and how to prepare it
- 3. Provide the teacher with a copy of the recipe
- 4. If possible provide a sample for the class

****If you have any questions about any topic please ask your teacher as soon as possible ©****

Speakers' Club Evaluation

Date:	Evaluator:	
oetry		
introduction (1/2)		
name of poem and a	uthor (1)	
reading of the poem	(1)	
summary of the poe	m (1)	
provided a copy for	the teacher (1)	
conclusion (1/2)		/5
introduction (1/2) brought song to clas information on the o stated why they like provided lyrics and s conclusion (1/2)	ed the song (1)	/5
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Comedian		
introduction (1/2)		
5-10 jokes (1)		

- _____ shared where the jokes came from (1)
- _____ tasteful, appropriate jokes (1)
- _____ shared why they chose the jokes (1)
- _____ conclusion (1/2)

Demonstration _____

_____ introduction (1/2) _____ topic stated (1)

_____ explained each step clearly (2)

- _____ brought appropriate props (1)
- _____ conclusion (1/2)

/5

Sports Report _____

introduction (1/2)
 reported on 1 local, 1 amateur, and 1 professional sporting event (3)
 reported on 2 different sports (1)
 conclusion (1/2)

Movie Talk

introduction (1/2)	
main characters and actors names (1)	
shared when the movie was made (1)	
summarized the movie without giving away the ending (1)	
likes and dislikes shared (1)	
conclusion (1/2)	/5

Headlines _____

_____ introduction (1/2)
_____ shared 3 headlines from home, school, community, world (3)
_____ shared the articles with us (1)
_____ conclusion (1/2)

Book Talk _____

introduction (1/2)	
brought a copy of the book (1)	
shared title, author, genre, publisher (1)	
summary of the book with likes/dislikes (1)	
read a few pages from the book (1)	
conclusion (1/2)	/5

Story Time _____

_____ introduction (1/2)

_____ came prepared (1)

_____ interesting use of voice, body language, props (2)

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_____2 to 5 minutes in length (1)

_____ conclusion (1/2)

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TV Talk _____

introduction (1/2)	
introduce TV show and main characters (1)	
brief description of the show (1)	
share when the program can be seen - channel/time (1)	
shared likes/dislikes (1)	
conclusion (1/2)	/5

Historical Moment/Person _____

introduction (1/2)
provide date/name of moment/person (1)
historical significance (1)
explain why you chose this event/person (1)
shared 3 facts (1)
conclusion (1/2)

Famous Person

introduction (1/2)	
name and occupation (1)	
background information given - birth date, hometown, etc. (1)	
background information on how they became famous (1)	
shared interesting facts about the person (1)	
conclusion (1/2)	/5

Game Review _____

 introduction (1/2)
 introduced the game and creator (1)
 gave a description of the game (2)
 shared likes/dislikes of the game (1)

_____ conclusion (1/2)

Memory Box _____

_____ introduction (1/2)

- _____brought at least 1 special object to class (1)
- ______ shares why the object(s) is important to them in detail (2)
- _____ shares object(s) with the class (1)
- _____ conclusion (1/2)

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Master	Chef
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introduction (1/2)	
recipe is presented to class (1)	
clearly explained how to make dish (2)	
shared why it is their favorite dish (1)	
conclusion (1/2)	

General Reporter _____

introduction (1/2)
fair/accurate description of today's meeting (2)
gave 3 highlights (1)
gave 3 suggestions for next time (1)

_____ conclusion (1/2)

Chairperson _____

- _____ introduction (1/2)
- _____ agenda completed before meeting (1)
- _____ introduced each speaker correctly (2)
- _____ assured meeting ran smoothly (1)
- _____ conclusion (1/2)

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Oratory Skills Evaluation

Name:	Date:		
Job Title:	_		
Good eye contact with audier	nce		
Speech has appropriate volu	me, speed ar	and voice inflection	
Able to look up from cue car	ds - memori:	rization	
Effort in researching topic a	and organiza [.]	ation of information	
Speech flows smoothly as a r	result of pro	ractice	
	Mark	/5	
Comments:			



Speech Outline Form

General Topic: _____

Specific Topic: _____

Introduction

First Point

Second Point

Third Point

Conclusion