

How-to Write an Oratory Speech

1. Choose a topic.
2. Brainstorm what makes that topic important. Who is your topic affecting? What is the problem? Are there possible solutions? Does this problem reach a wide range of people or is it too focused? Why does this topic upset/interest you?
3. Research these brainstorm areas and start to gather information. Oratory speeches must have sources. Great places to start are: Wikipedia, Google searches with your topic and keywords from above (#2)
4. Write a first draft!
 - a. Your first point is where you explain the problem. Talk about how it became a problem, what it is, and where it comes from. This is a general, broad overview point.
 - b. Your second point is where you talk about the cause and effects. Give us examples here of the problem. (Real life examples or personal examples)
 - c. The third point is where you talk about the possible solutions. Remember, your audience is kids AND adults, what can each age group realistically do?
5. Get revisions and suggestions from coach
6. Write final draft

****Oratory speeches do well, often, with some “puns.” If this is not a familiar area or styling of writing for you, let the coach aid in adding these humorous parts. For instance, if you were doing an oratory on the importance of safety in college sports, you might say “first, we will put our helmets on and step onto the field as we take a closer look at the problem.”

Here is a link to an example of an oratory speech:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bFAeBwOG0yk>