

Kentucky 4-H Speech Planning Guide

Before you start getting your speech ready, it's important to check out the 4-H Speech Contest rules. These rules will give you all the important information and guidelines you need to follow to make sure your speech fits the contest requirements. You can get the contest rules from your county 4-H agent.

Preparation Checklist

- Choose a topic
 - Select a title
 - Collect information
 - Organize ideas into three parts: introduction, body, and conclusion
 - Practice giving your speech
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Speech Outline

Use this outline to organize your ideas into three parts: the introduction, body, and conclusion of your speech. Use additional space as needed.

Introduction

The purpose of your introduction is to capture the attention of your audience. Get them excited to listen to the speech through a joke, a quote, a poem, or a captivating story. Share why this speech can be important to them.

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Body

Explain two or three main points of your topic. Explain each point clearly and concisely, using up-to-date factual information and key points in a logical order.

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Conclusion

Wrap up your speech, summarizing the main points while leaving your audience with an attention-grabbing statement, question, or wrap-up thought. End strong!

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