Lesson Plan

School: Grigore Moisil National College
Lesson: Identify your ideas
Time: 50 minutes
Aim: Students will identify a specific idea that they would like to develop into a speech.
Resources: worksheets, notebooks, video-projector, laptop.

Methods: Conversation, elicitation, explanation, group work, individual work

Warm up:

Time: 5'

Aim: to engage students with the topic of the lesson

Procedure: Teacher asks students what their definition of ideas worth spreading is. Students brainstorm ideas and share them with the class.

Activity 1

Time: 10'

Aim: to identify some topics they would consider for a speech

Procedure: Students make a list of ideas/topics they are passionate about. Students share their ideas with the class.

Activity 2

Time: 20'

Aim: to identify topics they would like to approach in their speech

Procedure: After having identified some favourite topics they would like to talk about, students are provided with a short list of questions to help them discover three topics of interest they would like to further develop into a speech.

- Which of these ideas can you tell personal stories about?
- If everyone on earth listened to your idea, how would it change the world?
- Which would you be most comfortable or excited speaking about?

• Which is an idea you are uniquely positioned to talk about?(i.e. an environmental scientist may be a better person to give a talk on climate change, but only you could give a talk on how your experience hiking in the mountains shaped your thoughts on the environment.)

Students work in small groups. They present their ideas and receive and offer feedback.

Activity 3: Time to write

Time: 10'

Aim: to choose the topic they would like to develop in their speech

Procedure: After receiving feedback, students take some time to reflect and to narrow down the 3 previous ideas to one. They can choose to start outlining or writing a bit about each idea to see what feels most promising. In doing so, students use what they know about great ideas and the feedback they have already received.

Activity 4: Independent Reflection Checkpoint

Time: 5'

Aim: to reflect on the things presented during this class

Procedure: Individually, students answer the following questions.

How do I feel about my own ideas?

What feedback did I receive that is helping me think more about my talk?