Lesson Plan

School: Grigore Moisil National College

Lesson: Introduction to Public Speaking

Time: 50 minutes

Aim: Students will get acquainted with main elements of public speaking.

Resources: worksheets, notebooks, video-projector, laptop

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

Activity 1

Time: 10'

Aim: to engage students in the topic of the lesson

Procedure: Students make a list of situations in which people need to deliver a speech in real life. They consider both public and private life (e.g. jobs, convince your parents your parents to give you money for something you wish, convince someone to give you a second chance, to take someone's side, etc.). Students work in pairs and brainstorm some ideas for their list. After having brainstormed ideas, students share them with the class.

Activity 2

Time: 15'

Aim: to familiarise students with different persuasive techniques

Procedure: Students make a list of what convinced them in someone's speech and how they managed to convince someone. Students share their ideas with the class. Teacher introduces the three appeals of persuasive writing (logos-logic, ethos- ethics, pathos-emotion). Students brainstorm where they have seen examples of the three appeals in media and advertisements.

Activity 3

Time: 20'

Aim: to highlight the importance of body language in public speaking

Procedure: Students draw up a short speech in which they try to convince their classmates to give them something. Students are going to pay special attention to body language when delivering their speech. A discussion ensues once several speeches have been present to the class

Activity 4: Independent Reflection Checkpoint

Time: 5'

Aim: to reflect on the things presented during this class

Procedure: Individually, students take time to reflect on what they have learned during the class and the work they have done and answer the following question.

What were some of the most interesting things you learnt during this lesson? What did you learn about your fellow group members that surprised or inspired you? How do you feel about your activity today?