

Lesson Plan

School: *Grigore Moisil National College*

Lesson: *Plan the arc of your speech*

Time: 50 minutes

Aim: Students will plan the arc of their speech.

Resources: notebooks, videos, 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 makes a story great. Students brainstorm ideas and share them with the class.

Activity 1

Time: 15'

Aim: to identify the main elements/part of a story

Procedure: Teacher introduces 4 main concepts: hook, perspective, tension and closing. Students watch the TED talk below and decide whether it has all the 4 parts or not.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IwQX8Bu_cyE&t=1s

Activity 2

Time: 10'

Aim: to learn about storyboarding

Procedure: Students watch the video below and take notes. After watching the video, students discuss as a class about the importance of storyboarding.

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

Activity 3:

Time: 15'

Aim: to create a storyboard for their speech

Procedure: Teacher provides students with the following guiding questions.

1. *What is the one idea you want people to walk away with?*
2. *How do you want to start and end your talk to make sure people are on the journey with you?*
3. *What is the logical sequence of events to get from the beginning to the end of your talk?*

Students sketch out the different parts of their speech on index cards or sticky notes. Once finished, they share their storyboard with the group for feedback.

Extra resources:

Storytelling techniques for engaging presentations

<https://blog.sparkol.com/8-classic-storytelling-techniques-for-engaging-presentations>

Hooks for speeches and presentations

<https://www.americanexpress.com/en-us/business/trends-and-insights/articles/hook-presentation-audience-30-seconds/>

How to build tension/suspense

<https://www.duarte.com/presentation-skills-resources/move-presentation-audience-with-story-techniques-in-presentations>