



Speak & Tell! Video: “Focus Your Message for Effective Public Speaking”

Emmy-award winning broadcaster, public speaker, and community advocate Michael Bartley has spent plenty of time at a podium, educating and inspiring audiences. He shares his advice for structuring a speech, and backing up talking points with research, to ensure your message has maximum impact!

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF SPEECHES; CHOOSING A SPEECH TOPIC; AND BACKING UP YOUR POINTS WITH WELL-RESEARCHED FACTS.

[Clippings.me Team – 10 Types of Speeches Every Speechwriter Should Know](#)

Learn the features of different types of speeches, so you can focus your message and make an impact on your audience.

[Virtual Speech.com – Guide to Choosing a Successful Speech Topic](#)

Looking for inspiration for your speech topic? Consider these tips for narrowing down your choices.

[Speak for Success! The Genard Method – How to Hook Your Audience with a Great Opener](#)

Make those first moments of your speech count! Discover ways to grab the audience’s attention right from the start!

[The Grand Finale: 12 Ways to End your Speech – West Side Toastmasters](#)

Learn the different ways to *end* your speech so audiences remember you *and* your message!

[Public Affairs Council – Speechwriting 101: Writing an Effective Speech](#)

Communicate your message effectively with a clear and organized speech!

[Freedom Forum Institute – Is Your Speech Protected By The First Amendment?](#)

Did you ever wonder if your school could prevent you from stating a controversial opinion in a newspaper, website, or in a live speech? Learn about students’ First Amendment rights and responsibilities.

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[Toastmasters International](#)

Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills. Check out this awesome collections of public speaking tips, video demonstrations, and a regional map to explore Toastmasters chapters around the world.

[National Public Radio \(NPR\) – The Best Commencement Speeches, Ever](#)

Take inspiration from these great speakers and their history-making Commencement speeches. Read the transcripts and even watch videos of some of the speakers in action!

[American Rhetoric – Top 100 Speeches](#)

Explore this ranking of top speeches in history. Click on the links to watch them and read their transcripts and learn from their techniques!

[Ranker – Famous Short Speeches](#)

Your speech doesn't need to be long to be effective. Check out these famous short speeches that made history – and use them as a guide to giving your own concise, yet effective, speeches!

[How To Be A Great Audience Member – The Gluck Fellows Program of the Arts at UC Riverside](#)

Review this guideline for audience etiquette and consider sharing it with your teachers and classmates to create a welcoming and respectful environment for classroom speeches.

[Write-Out-Loud.com – How To Research A Speech](#)

In order to inform or persuade people, your speech needs compelling *facts*.

Authenticating and Verifying information in the age of Fake News.

Learn how to conduct research for your speech and ensure you're using high-quality, current, and unbiased material.

- [Media Smarts](#)
- [FaceCheck.org](#)
- [Common Sense Media](#)

Tell us about a memorable speech *you* heard, and the advice or words of wisdom that stuck with you!

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