

# **Speech Outline Planning Template**

- Title: [Insert the title of your speech here]
- **Topic:** [Write the general subject you'll discuss]
- Specific Purpose Statement: [Explain exactly what you want your audience to learn, believe, or do]
- Thesis Statement: [Summarize your central idea in one clear sentence]

#### Introduction

- Write an engaging paragraph that captures attention, introduces your topic, and establishes your connection with the audience.
- Include a brief preview of your main points and state why your topic matters.

TRANSITION: [USE ONE LINE TO LEAD SMOOTHLY INTO YOUR FIRST MAIN POINT]

#### **Body**

- I. Main Point One
  - a. Sub-point
  - b. Sub-point
  - c. Sub-point
    - i. Supporting detail
    - ii. Supporting detail

TRANSITION: [SUMMARIZE THIS SECTION AND INTRODUCE THE NEXT MAIN IDEA]

- II. Main Point Two
  - a. Sub-point
    - i. Supporting example
    - ii. Supporting example
  - b. Sub-point

TRANSITION: [SIGNAL THAT YOU'RE MOVING TO THE FINAL SECTION]



### III. Main Point Three

- a. Sub-point
  - i. Supporting detail
  - ii. Supporting detail
- b. Sub-point

## **Conclusion**

Write a short paragraph that reinforces your main ideas and brings your message full circle.

Summarize the key takeaways, offer a call to action or final thought, and end with a closing line that feels complete.

# **References / Bibliography**

[List all sources you used in your research following the required citation style.]