

## Persuasive Speech Outline

*Use the general guidelines below to create an outline/first draft for your speech.*

**Paragraph 1:** Define the issue that concerns you. Here, you will write briefly about the controversy. That means you need to explain both sides. This can be done in a couple of sentences. Your **thesis statement** goes here.

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**Paragraph 2:** Explain, using research based arguments, what you believe about the problem.

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**Paragraph 3:** Explain, using research based arguments, what you believe about the problem.

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**Paragraph 4:** Again, using research based arguments, what you believe about the issue.

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**Paragraph 5:** Explain what the opposition thinks or feels about the issue.

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**Paragraph 6:** Rebut the opposition using logic

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**Paragraph 7:** Restate your position and call on the audience to change their thinking or behavior.

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