DEBATE/SPEECH

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The purpose of making a debate/ speech is to convey information orally to a large gathering of people strongly and convincingly.

FORMAT  Includes the topic (For/Against) SALUTATION, greeting the chief guest and fellow speakers or listeners.

- Begin with "Honourable Chairperson, judges, teachers and my dear friends, I stand before you to express my views for/against the motion on the topic……"

CONTENT: Express your views about the topic.

- Compare, contrast and sum up highlighting your viewpoint.

- Use LANGUAGE that is persuasive and powerful using the expressions like-I vehemently disapprove of, I strongly feel, in my opinion, may I ask…..etc.

SPEECH: Must reflect CLARITY of thought, accuracy of facts and balanced view.

At the end write "THANK YOU".

Follow the word limit.

Solved example (DEBATE):

BRAIN DRAIN IS NOT ABANE FOR DEVELOPING COUNTY LIKE INDIA (AGAINST)

Honorable Judges, my worthy opponents and dear students,

Today I, Abha of class XII, will speak against the motion, "Brain drain is not bane for a developing country like India."

I would like to draw the attention of my worthy opponents to the fact that India is a developing nation and a lot of money is spent on the education and paid as subsidies to the students of Engineering and Medical but it is ironical that these students after completion of their studies instead of serving their Motherland go away to foreign countries to earn more money. This is indeed a great national loss because the expense incurred on their education comes from the taxes submitted by the common people. The present statistical data reveals the fact the number of students leaving the country and going abroad has nearly doubled. I'm sure and confident that my honorable opponents will do some souls searching!

Those in favour of the motion have highlighted the view that brain drain has brought prestige to the Nation, I strongly disagree, in my opinion brain drain is a great loss of talent of our Nation. Had these talented Engineers Doctors stayed behind the people of our Motherland would have benefitted immensely, the day would not be far when she would once again be called the "Golden Bird".

The drifting away of the intelligent people has left our country poor and benefitted another country. To conclude I would once again firmly say that Brain drain is a bane for a developing country like India.

SOLVED EXAMPLE-SPEECH:

Q1. Write a speech in 150-200 words on the topic, "Discipline shapes the future of a student." It is to be delivered in the morning assembly. You are Karuna/Karan.
Respected Principal, teachers, and dear friends,

Today I, Karuna, am here to express my views on, "Discipline shapes the future of a student."

We are all aware of the fact that Discipline is the key to success. Discipline should be inculcated early in life. If we are disciplined in life we inculcate a sense of duty and obedience. Let me give you an example to prove my point, every day we are assigned homework by our teachers, if we are disciplined we complete the work within the stipulated time we get the appreciation of our teachers and also do well in the examinations.

Discipline is essential in all walks of life. Right from the working of the Government of the country to the ordinary farmer who tills his field all follow discipline. It is the bedrock of character. Absence of it leads to chaos and confusion. Imagine a day on the road when people do not follow the traffic rules. Can you imagine the utter chaos it will lead to! So Discipline is essential in running the society smoothly.

A person can reach the pinnacles of glory by following discipline. It acts as a restraint and at the same time builds self-confidence. Moreover it balances the personality of a person and inculcates good work ethics.

PRACTICE QUESTIONS:

Q1. "Brain drain is not bane for a developing country like India." Write a debate in 150-200 words either for or against the motion.

Q2. You are Shobha/ Suresh of Springsdale Senior Secondary School, Green Park, Delhi. You have been chosen to participate in a debate on "Women's Safety in Contemporary Time". It is a state-level debate contest arranged in an auditorium. You have to write the debate in 150-200 words.

Q3. In a debate competition mention your views in favour or against the topic "Can you change your personality?" (Word limit-150-200 words)

Q4. You are Mahindra/Madhumati of Delhi Public School, Gomtinagar, Lucknow. Your school has hosted a debate competition on "Increasing incidents of ill-treatment meted out to the aged in metro cities." (Word limit 150-200 Words)

Q5. An inter-school debate is arranged on the topic Globalisation its positive and negative impacts. You are Harsh/Harshita of St. Xavier's School, Bangalore. You are selected to participate in the said contest. Write a debate on the same. (Word limit-150-200 words.)