



# English III/IV Speech Composition Fall Semester - 2010

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## Course Description

This class addresses the Arizona State Standards in reading and writing for 11th and 12th graders. It emphasizes the principles of speech composition, informative speech, persuasion, argumentation, debate, and other interpersonal communications. It also emphasizes writing instruction, including attention to style, and matters of precision and correctness. Students will also strengthen communication and presentation skills through individual presentations and group projects.

## Course Objective

To make sure students are able to write speeches that show strong knowledge of the subject matter and the ability to deliver that piece of writing confidently in a variety of social situations.

## Class Rules

1. Be on time.
2. Be prepared.
3. Be respectful of others.
4. Observe all rules and regulations outlined in the student handbook.

## Grades & Grading Scale:

100 – 90 =	A	Grades will be based on number of points earned by the student from the number of points available for earning.
89 – 80 =	B	
79 – 70 =	C	Grades each six weeks will include homework, in class work, quizzes, tests, and writing assignments. Semester grades are calculated by district standards as follows:
69 – 60 =	D	Grading period 1 30%, Grading period 2 30%, Grading period 3 25 %, Final exam 15%.
59 or less=	F	

## Semester Schedule

Week 1: Introductions/Rules/Guidelines/ 6 word Memoirs/60 Second Speeches	Week 10: Speech Week: Interviews ~ Extemporaneous
Week 2: Chapter 1: Understanding Communication	Week 11: Chapter 9: Getting Ready
Week 3: Chapter 2: Verbal and Nonverbal Messages	Week 12: Chapter 14: Speaking to Inform
Week 4: Chapter 3: Using Your Voice	Week 13: Chapter 10: Gathering Information
Week 5: Chapter 4: Listening and Evaluating	Week 14: Chapter 11: Preparing Your Speech
Week 6: Speech Week: Autobiographical – Scripted	Week 15: Chapter 12: Using Effective Language
Week 7: Chapter 6: Communicating Person to Person	Week 16: Chapter 13: Presenting your speech
Week 8: Chapter 7: Speaking Informally	Week 17: Speech Week: Formal Informative Speeches
Week 9: Chapter 8: Interviewing	Week 18: Speech Week: Formal Informative Speeches

## Arizona Standards & Concepts

This course will adhere to Arizona Academic Standards set for 11th & 12th Grade reading, writing, speaking. The following standards and concepts will be addressed throughout the semester. Please see: <http://www.ade.az.gov/standards> for a detailed explanation of each standard and concept.

Standards: Writing Strand: 1 - Concepts 1-5	Reading Strand: 1 - Concepts 4-6	Standard 3: Listening & Speaking
2 - Concepts 1-6	2 - Concepts 1-2	Proficiency 9-12
3 - Concepts 1-6	3 - Concepts 1-3	LS 1 - L S5

## Speech Club

The speech class will also serve as a starting point for a Kofa Speech & Debate Club. The purpose of the club will be to engage other speech clubs in the district in competition OR to serve as a way to do public speaking that can be viewed by general audiences in a more formal setting. Fundraising will be a key component, as will active participation in events.