

Give an Inaugural Address

Pretend that you have been elected President of the United States. Now is your time to shine as America's latest leader! You are going to give an inauguration speech in front of the whole country. Follow the steps below to write your speech.

1. Brainstorm! An inauguration speech is your chance to tell the country what you plan to do during the four years of your presidency. Make a list of things you would do if you were President. For example, do you want to improve education and other social programs? Give money to artists? Preserve national parks and save endangered species? Be creative!

Idea #1: _____

Idea #2: _____

Idea #3: _____

Idea #4: _____

Idea #5: _____

2. Narrow your scope. Circle three of your favorite ideas listed above to use in your speech.

3. Write your introductory statement. This is the first sentence in your opening paragraph. It should state the main idea of your speech, and grab the listener's attention. (*Example: During the next four years of my presidency, Americans can expect some exciting changes in this country!*) Write your first sentence below.

4. Write the rest of your opening paragraph. After your introductory statement, briefly mention each of the points you will be discussing in your speech. These points are the three ideas you circled in Step 1. Write them in sentence form here.



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5. Write the body of your speech. This is where you explain how you'll put your ideas into action as President. Set aside one paragraph for each of your three ideas (three paragraphs total).

Paragraph for idea #1:

Paragraph for idea #2:

Paragraph for idea #3:

6. Write the conclusion. End your inspiring speech by reviewing your ideas. Remember to thank everyone who voted for you! Write your conclusion below.
