



Public Speaking Resources

Web Sites

Succeed in Public Speaking

<http://www.school-for-champions.com/speaking.htm>

This page consists of resources on public speaking topics, including fear of speaking, business presentations, good communication, humor in speeches, and professional speaking.

National Christian Forensics and Communications Association (Debate)

<http://www.ncfca.org/>

The NCFCA was established to serve the needs of the national homeschool speech and debate community. Centering their vision on I Peter 3:15–16, the NCFCA’s programs, materials, and activities are ultimately aimed at assisting homeschoolers in addressing life issues from a biblical worldview in a manner that glorifies God.

Toastmasters

<http://www.toastmasters.org>

At Toastmasters, members learn by speaking to groups and working with others in a supportive environment. A typical Toastmasters club is made up of 20 to 30 people who meet once a week for about an hour. Each meeting gives everyone an opportunity to practice: conducting meetings, giving impromptu speeches, presenting prepared speeches, and receiving constructive evaluation.

Advanced Public Speaking Institute

<http://www.public-speaking.org>

Great public speaking resource site with lots of tips and advice.

Allyn & Bacon Public Speaking

<http://www.abacon.com/pubspeak/>

Great list of public speaking resources.

Debate Central

<http://debate.uvm.edu/>

A great site that goes over the fundamentals of debate.

SpeechTips.com

<http://www.speechtips.com/>

Your free guide to speechwriting and public speaking for eulogies, graduations, weddings and any other public speaking engagement.

Books

From Playpen to Podium

by Jeff Myers

Give your kids the communication advantage! Myers, an accomplished speaker and teacher, shows you fun, easy-to-do projects that will make your kids great communicators.

How to Talk So People Will Listen

by Steve Brown

This book is filled with practical tips for becoming a better communicator. Whether you want to improve your public speaking skills or your ability to communicate in daily life settings, you'll discover how to speak so your words make a difference: in church, at home, in business situations, or in social situations.

You Can't Help But Listen: User-Friendly Oral Communication

by Charles R. Munson

This book is written for Christians who are making public declarations before audiences in any kind of circumstance. This includes Sunday school teachers, Bible study leaders, preachers, and teachers of preachers—anyone who seeks to hold the attention of listeners. In this primer on public speaking, Munson explains how to overcome anxiety about speaking and learn to say things in an engaging way.

Public Speaking: A Handbook for Christians

by Duane Litfin

Become a bridge-builder through better communication! Litfin's confidence-building how-to approach covers basic principles of public speaking—from a Christian perspective.

10 Days to More Confident Public Speaking: Say Good-Bye to Stage Fright Forever!

by Lenny Laskowski

Written by an expert in the field, this book has the tools you need to become a relaxed, effective, and commanding public speaker.

Public Speaking Handbook

by Susan Benjamin

Here is your personal guide to “no-fault, no-fear” speaking events! The best way to overcome your fear of public speaking is to know ahead of time what you will say and how you will present the material. This handbook takes you step by step through the process of speech preparation and delivery, from analyzing your audience to the use of your voice.