



3 V's Sentence Starters & Brownie Examples

Having a hard time getting started? Use our sentence starters to make a 3V - Values, Villains, Vision - sandwich. Hankering for something sweet? We've baked up a batch of ooey-goey delicious brownies!

3 V's Sentence Starters

Shared Values (2 parts: Establish unity across differences + shared value):

- Most of us believe...
- No matter our gender...
- Whatever our zipcode...
- No matter our differences...
- No matter what's in our wallet...
- No matter the color of our skin...
- As human beings, we all deserve...
- Most of us want pretty similar things ...
- In STATE/America, we believe in fairness...
- From [geographic area] to [geographic area]...
- From the youngest to the oldest among us.
- In STATE/America, we show up for each other...
- We all deserve to feel safe in our communities...
- Whether you live in the city, suburb, or rural [area]...
- Whether you're white or Black, Hispanic or Asian...
- Regardless of where you come from or where you live...
- Most of us, no matter who we are or where we're from...
- Whatever our race, background, or zip code, we all deserve...
- Here in [state/district/city/town], we work hard and we build our own success.
- From [geographic area to geographic] and [geographic area to geographic area]
- Here in [state/district/city/town] we work hard, we take care of our families, and we make America the best that it can be

Name Villain (who/what/how/why):

- A handful of lawmakers...
- A small group of lawmakers...
- Yet for too long a powerful few...
- Yet today, certain politicians claim...
- Yet some lawmakers have decided ...



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- But Representative [Opponent name]...
- But for too long a handful of politicians...
- But for too long, we've let a powerful few divide us...
- Yet for too long certain politicians in the pocket of special interests...
- But today, a rich and powerful few try to turn us against each other so that they can...

Vision (Collective Action):

- By coming together...
- Together, we can rewrite the rules...
- We have power in numbers to deliver...
- We can join together and urge our leaders...
- We can solve this by electing leaders who will...
- By joining together across our differences we can...
- By joining together to demand proven solutions like...
- Together, we have the power to demand that leaders...
- Let's level the playing field by choosing leaders who believe ...
- By coming together, we can elect new leaders who will work for all of us...
- No matter the size of the community we live in, we know how to come together...
- We need to join together with people from all walks of life to fight for our future...
- By joining together and [CALL TO ACTION (ex: speaking up at school board meetings, contacting our elected leaders, and voting..)] we can...



Brownie Examples

Policy	Brownies
Abortion/ Reproductive Choice	Freedom to decide if, when, and how to start a family. Freedom to get the care we need, when and where we need it, safely and compassionately. Freedom to make decisions about our health based on science, best medical practices, and the specifics of the situation.
Clean/Green Energy	Our future is bright and powered by locally generated clean energy. Homegrown energy to fuel a cleaner, safer, and better world. Well-paying jobs in the clean energy industries of the future.



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Childcare Subsidy	Parents can go to work knowing their kids are growing and thriving in safe, caring hands.
Climate Change	Leave a healthy world for future generations.
Disability Rights	Inclusive and accessible communities for all.
Drug Addiction	Enough affordable rehab programs to serve everyone who needs them; Easily accessible & affordable treatment to get our loved ones fighting this disease the services they need to get their lives back on track.
Education Funding	Every child has the freedom to learn and pursue their dreams no matter their zip code. <i>Specifics:</i> High-speed internet and enough computers for all students. Well-stocked art rooms so all children can explore their creativity. Enough instruments so every child has the chance to make music Access to safe playing fields and sports equipment so kids get the exercise they need. A school librarian who can help kids discover great new reads.
Education Curriculum	Teaching our kids an honest education that prepares them for the future.
Environmental Justice	We can leave dirty fuels behind and make this a place where we all can breathe fresh air and drink clean lead-free water, no matter our color, income, or zip code.
Environmental Protection	Clean lakes to swim in. Knowing our kids are breathing fresh air when they play outside.
Equal Pay	No more finding out that your coworker is doing the same job for way more money. Equal pay for equal work.
Equal Rights	A world where we all can live freely no matter our skin color or who we love.
Fair Wages	Earn a fair return for our work. People who work for a living ought to earn a living. Hard work should pay enough to let us live in dignity.
Fair maps	Voters pick our leaders, our leaders don't get to pick their voters.
Minimum Wage / \$15 Wage	A person who works for a living ought to earn a living. Able to work one job and be able to cover your expenses. A wage that covers basic expenses and leaves you with enough to buy your kids ice cream at the end of the month.



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Gun Safety	Freedom to live safely.
Healthcare & Prescription Drugs	Get the care we need, no exceptions. Get the care we need, when we need it, without worrying about going bankrupt.
Higher Education	Launching graduates into the working world with more freedom and less debt. The freedom to take a job based on whether you want it, not on whether it will cover your student loan payments.
Housing Affordability	We all have a place to live, laugh, and love with friends and family. Having a place to call home, hug our loved ones, and make memories. Home, the place where we lay our heads, hug our loved ones, make our memories.
Infrastructure: Broadband	Connecting us in our learning, work, and our lives. Kids can do their homework at home, not in a parking lot. Bridging divides and creating high-speed connections for learning, working, and fun.
Infrastructure: Roads & Bridges	Roads and bridges that are safe enough to get us where we need to go. Bridges, tunnels & highways designed to handle the traffic they need to, without hour-long waits.
Local/Small Business	Local businesses that make our communities vital places to live and work. Local stores that your kids can shop at, knowing the owner will know who they are and what they need. Small businesses create jobs that let people care for their families now and ensure a better future for their children. Freedom to create good-paying jobs and take care of our families.
Paid Leave	Paid time off to care (for loved ones) Being there the first time your baby smiles. Being there for a loved one when they need you the most.
Police Accountability	Hold those who took an oath to protect, to account. Be able to move through our communities without fearing for our lives or our loved ones.
Social Security	Program that seniors have paid into. Programs that help seniors retire with dignity and security.
Unions	Join together in union [to bargain collectively/for better pay, working conditions] Bargain collectively [for better pay and working conditions]
Voting	Your vote is your power. Use it.



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Empowerment	Remember how excited you were the first time you voted? Let's make sure all voters can experience that.
Voting Rights	We can safely and freely cast our ballots. Ensure that trusted local election officials count every vote. We all want to have an equal say in the decisions that shape our future.

