

Lesson Plan

BASIC INFORMATION	
Summary	On Day 26 of the Forum Project, students will start writing their speech rough drafts
Grade Level	9th grade
Time Frame	1 hour 20 minutes
Subject(s)	English 1
Topic(s)	1. Affordable Housing Crisis 2. COVID-19 Misinformation 3. Fast Fashion & the Environment 4. Gender Pay Gap in Tech 5. Gun Control & Mass Shootings 6. Monarch Butterflies 7. Plastics in the Ocean 8. Reducing Police Violence in Communities of Color 9. School-to-Prison Pipeline 10. Teen Mental Health, Stress & Schools 11. Teen Social Media Use 12. Wildfires
Instructional Materials & Prep	1. Google Slides Resources: 2. Freshman Forum Introduction 3. Forum Project Groups 4. Forum 2021 Group Set Up 5. Forum Topic Sheets 2021 6. 2021 Forum Timeline 7. Student Due Dates Forum 2021
STANDARDS	
CA Content Standard(s)	CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.9-10.7 Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
CA ELD/ELA Standard(s)	
Differentiated Instruction/UDL/C	

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OBJECTIVES		
	Students will identify two possible solutions for their Forum Project problem.	
ASSESSMENT		
WARM UP		
	Forum Speech Draft Progress	
AGENDA		
1. Warm Up 20 minutes 2. Reflect: Key Chart 1 20 minutes 3. Key Chart 2 20 minutes 4. Planning visits & work time	1. Warm Up Frame: Camera Opt-Out	
	Period 3	Period 5
	Kevin Kwan-Sy got PC without webcam	Yarely Barreto Annika Geisler
	2. Transitions 3. Speech Template 4. Check-in	
	Period 3	Period 5
	T1: Check if Hank has completed his section Send Hank to Period 7 Hook is really good. People would assume that mass shootings have gone down during COVID-19 pandemic, but it has actually gone up. Maybe add one or two more sentences to explain why mass shootings have gone up during stay-at-home order. Current actions Besides the 2nd Amendment, what other laws has Congress passed to	T8 Need to facilitate team dynamics with Ana, Yarely and Julian. Julian User Manual Ana User Manual Yarely User Manual Need to add the subtopics from the Outline. This topic leads to a timeline slide. The speech and timeline should have specific dates for each of the key events. The effectiveness and complications section are missing. How effective

	prevent mass shootings?	were removing police from Toronto and Oakland schools in reducing the schools-to-prison pipeline problem?
	T2 What has Stephanie done? Each section needs to be fleshed out with subtopics from the T2 Outline. Read the speech straight through and time how long it takes	T9 A stronger hook would put the statistics into context and explain why the audience should care that 8 million metric tons of plastic enters the ocean. Thanks Roman. Still missing evidence that plastic pollution in oceans is a huge problem. Is there any data to quantify how much single-use plastic bags contribute to the pollution problem in oceans? This is an excellent example of the plastic bag ban. How effective was the plastic bag ban in reducing pollution in oceans (or pollution in general)? Missing conclusion
	T3 The causes section should explain what are some of the causes that contribute to the fast fashion problem and set up the proposed solution. Is the fast fashion problem about pollution or child labor? Specifically, what amendment to the Paris Agreement is T3 proposing? After the solution has been clarified, there should be a paragraph about the effectiveness of the proposed solution.	T10 Did Aryo do anything? After the hook, the speaker should introduce the team and Forum Project topic. This section may want to explain why the timeline starts with the Firearms Owners Protection Act of 1986, instead of say, the Second Amendment. The causes and timeline should have a smooth transition that explains why mass shootings is such a big problem in the U.S. as well as key events leading up to mass shootings today. What is LCM?

	T4 Hook is good. Split the speech into paragraphs to make it easier for people to follow. Have governments or companies tried any of the solutions that T4 is proposing? For example, one proposed solution is to replace plastic straws with paper straws. Several years ago, California banned plastic straws in restaurants, which caused a lot of boba tea shops to switch to paper straws. The effectiveness and complications section for this solution is missing.	T11 What is the source of this statistic? Why should the judges care that teenagers are spending an average of 2 hours a day on social media? This section is missing. The last paragraph already cited these statistics. This section needs to add evidence that parent controls have succeeded in reducing teenage social media usage.
	T5 Timeline needs to be revised Causes and Current Actions need to be expanded. What are the reasons why more teens are seriously considering suicide? Is it due to stress from math or other issues, such as domestic violence, bullying, etc.? One of the issues about these solutions is that both examples are from math class. This raises a couple of questions: Is the source of stress from all students coming from math class? Is there any data about how much stress would be reduced if math teachers adopted these solutions? Need to finish conclusion.	T12 How much more did the Monarch butterfly population drop in 2020? What is the source of this evidence? Why should the judges care that monarch butterfly population has dropped? There should be a paragraph to put the monarch butterfly population into context. If the solution is to plant more milkweed, the causes should set up the solution. Did the bad weather destroy milkweed? What evidence is there to support the claim that bad weather and/or urban development has destroyed milkweed? This section should include the sub topics from the Outline, such as effectiveness and complications.
	T6 Actually, the Atlanta shooting might be the most recent.	T13 Is there any evidence or data to support this claim that stress is due to schools giving too much homework? So are teenagers' mental health issue

	This part needs to be explained. How has the NRA complicated gun control laws? What does Matthew Beck's example have to do with Red Flag Law? This claim needs to be backed up by evidence. Of the states or cities that have implemented Red Flag Laws, how effective were the Red Flag Laws in reducing mass shootings? The complications needs to be supported by evidence. What conservatives are opposed to Red Flag Laws? If both solutions are mediocre, it might raise the question: Why is T6 proposing two mediocre solutions? One way to reframe this conclusion is to evaluate which of the two solutions might be more effective and close the speech by arguing that one solution might be more effective.	increasing due to homework or drugs and alcohol? A number of school districts, including Albany Unified School District, have implemented later start times. How effective has the later start times been in terms of reducing teen mental health issues? Are there any specific examples or evidence that changing homework and testing policies has reduced teen mental health issues?
	T7 This evidence does an excellent job to support the claim. If climate change is responsible for wildfires, why have wildfires in California gotten more frequent and/or more serious than other states or areas? Is there any evidence or data to support this claim? Are these indigenous people in the U.S. or somewhere else, like Australia? The evidence here is unclear. Pick one of the examples in the last paragraph. Then, use data and statistics to support the claim that controlled burns can work.	T14 What does "lower tenure" mean? There's no transition so it's not clear if the same student or different student is going to present the next section. Is there any evidence from Buffer or Glitch that shows that pay transparency has reduced or eliminated the gender pay gap? This section should be potential complications, not weaknesses. A complication would address the issue of: What is preventing other tech companies, such as Google or Amazon, from adopting pay transparency? Who is speaking here?

	These claims about the complications and concerns need to be supported by evidence. It may make sense to have the entire team read the speech and time it. If the speech is over 15 minutes, the team might want to have a discussion about editing down the second solution(s).	
		T15 Is there any data or evidence to support these claims? There's a difference between a public health epidemic and teen mental health issues. Is there any evidence to support the claim that teen mental health issues are caused by lack of sleep? The transition should also introduce the next speaker Where is the evidence to support the claim that "millions upon millions of teens" struggle with mental health? The effectiveness section should cite evidence to support that later school start times reduce teen mental health issues. If the school did not continue with the schedule, this does not seem to support the claim that this is an effective solution.
	5. Outlines Frame: •	
CLOSURE		
Homework		
AUTOPSY		
Period 5 10:30		

Warm Up
10:30-10:40

Breakout Room
11:00

OBSERVATIONS