

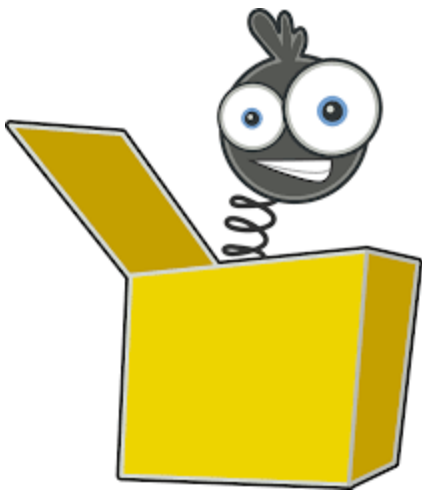
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## “Me in a Box” Speech

For this presentation, you are to select five or so items related to one motif that will fit into a box or sack and which have significance in your life because of what they represent. Use these items to tell about yourself by discussing their meaning to you.



- Start the speech by hooking the audience’s attention with a catchy introduction that introduces a motif (theme) that the items will demonstrate.
- Then introduce the items one at a time and talk about each one and how it relates to your chosen motif. The importance of the selection of items is not nearly as important as your explanation of the item and its symbolism.
- Make sure that you explain how the item represents you: Tell stories, give examples, and develop details that let the audience see one primary aspect of your personality through the motif you are developing.

TIME REQUIREMENT: This speech should last approximately five minutes. In the safety of your own room, practice the speech, preferably in front of a mirror or a video camera, before you give it.

DETAILS: You do not need to write out this speech in its entirety, but you will need to make an outline of what you want to say. Pay special attention to the introduction, transitions from one point (item) to the next, and to the conclusion. An outline template will be provided before you need to outline.