

# Before We Get Started

**Register your  
attendance.**

Session numbers are in  
the program.



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# Introduction to Extemporaneous Speaking

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## Importance of Extemporaneous Speaking

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Enables you to present yourself with confidence.

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Develop an interest in current events.

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Develop a strong work ethic and discipline.

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Become an informed voter.

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Learn skills that will set you up for long term success.

# Types of UIL Extemporaneous Speaking

- INFORMATIVE SPEAKING

Goal is to increase the audience's knowledge on a topic and to stimulate an active interest in the topic.

Topic:

What can be expected in the upcoming debate between Harris and Trump?

- PERSUASIVE SPEAKING

Goal is to reinforce the views of the audience or to bring those of neutral or opposing views around to the speaker's beliefs or proposed course of action.

Topic:

Will the upcoming Harris/Trump debate help Americans clarify the issues facing our society?

# Mechanics of the Contest

7-minute speech  
Current event

30 minute  
preparation

No assistance.  
No pre-written  
speeches.  
Use files only.

# The Draw



This is the location where you draw your topic and prepare your speech. Files stay here until round is completely finished.

- Draw 5 topics and choose 1 for your speech.
- Contestants draw at 10-minute intervals.
- All first speakers draw at the same time; all second speakers draw 10 minutes later; all third speakers draw 10 minutes later.
- 30 minutes to prepare your speech.

# Topics

- National, International and Texas issues.
- Separate topics for Informative and Persuasive.

*It is the responsibility of the contestant to deliver an informative or persuasive speech.*

Sample topics on the UIL web site:

[www.uil.utexas.edu](http://www.uil.utexas.edu)

# Files

## Electronic

The use of electronic retrieval devices.

Files may be saved on a flash drive, or on the computer desktop.

Services that can be purchased – Prep'd, Extemp Genie

Check UIL guidelines for ERDs

Work on the files.

Pay attention to the topics.

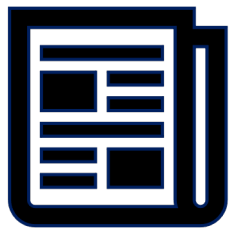
Read articles.



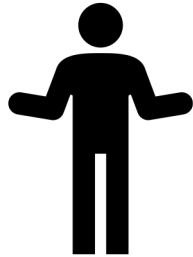


# Key to Success

Prepare



Practice



Walk, talk, think  
like a Champion!



Thank you for attending



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feedback.**

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