

NEW INVENTIONS SPEECH (SAMPLE) OUTLINE

PURPOSE: To Inform

SPECIFIC PURPOSE: To Inform my audience on the benefits of human implantation of microchip technology

INTRODUCTION

- I. Attention-Getter: James Arellano was driving home from a friend's house one night when a drunk driver ran a red light and smashed right into his car. James was rushed to the hospital with critical injuries. The problem was, the medical staff who treated James had no way of knowing that he suffered from MS and was already taking several powerful medications. James Arellano died that night, not from the car accident, but from the interaction of drugs that were administered in the emergency room. That could have been you, or a member of your family. But a new technology is on the way that will prevent this type of tragedy.
- II. Thesis: Someday soon, a microchip containing all your medical information may be implanted in your index finger and provide lifesaving information.
- III. Preview: I will first explain what implanted microchip technology is. I will then tell you its benefits for healthcare. And finally, I will explore where this technology may take us in the future.

BODY

- I. According to *Science Magazine*, November 2000 (p. 18), microchip technology is a way of storing all your medical data on a tiny chip that could easily be implanted in the tip of your finger.
 - A. Microchips can hold a tremendous amount of data and yet take up very little space.
 - B. Implanted microchips are already used extensively in the medical field.
 1. For spinal cord research.
 2. In heart monitors.
 3. In pumps to deliver chemotherapy
 - C. Implanting microchips in the fingertip would be relatively simple.
 1. Procedure.
 2. Service and care.

Transition Statement: Now that I have explained what implanted microchip technology is, let's turn to its benefits to healthcare

- II. Implanted microchips could have enormous healthcare benefits by holding lifesaving information.
 - A. Blood type and allergies would be stored, as would any preexisting condition.
 - B. Medications and physicians' names would be available, as would next of kin information.
 - C. Organ donor information or wishes about life support could also be included.

Transition Statement: Now that we know the benefits to healthcare, let's explore where it may take us in the future.

- III. In the future this technology may revolutionize our lives.
 - A. Our driver's license and credit card information could be stored in our fingertips, making fraud much more difficult.
 - B. Lost children could be identified and returned home.

CONCLUSION

- I. Reinforce Central Idea: Now that we know what implanted microchip technology is, and the benefits may hold to improve our lives, it may actually be true that we have information at the tip of our finger.
- II. Note of Finality: James Arellano died because the doctors who cared for him did not have vital information. One day, perhaps, this tragedy won't have to happen to anyone else.

SAMPLE (AFFIRMATIVE) LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE OUTLINE

Topic: Illegal immigration is detrimental to California.

Note: Each major argument must be supported by a qualified source.

Level of detail may vary, based on student choice.

INTRODUCTION

- I. Greet the audience and thank your opponent
- II. State the topic and your position (“I am here to support the topic that . . .”)
- III. Preview your major arguments

BODY

- I. Undocumented immigrants cost the state billions of dollars in education costs.
Los Angeles Times, January 13, 2006, (p. A6)
- II. Undocumented immigrants put an undue burden on California’s healthcare system.
CNN.com, June 20, 2006 (<http://www.cnn.com/>)
- III. Undocumented immigrants take entry-level jobs from American citizens.
The Economist, May 15, 2006 (p. 53)

CONCLUSION

- I. Summarize
 - II. Note of finality
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SAMPLE (NEGATIVE) LINCOLN-DOUGLAS DEBATE OUTLINE

INTRODUCTION

- I. Greet the audience and thank your opponent
- II. State the topic and your position
- III. Preview your major arguments

BODY

- I. Undocumented immigrants are necessary for California’s agriculture industry.
La Opinion, May 27, 2006 (p. A 13)
- II. Undocumented immigrants take jobs Americans will not take.
Los Angeles Times, February 1, 2006 (p. A 17)
- III. Undocumented immigrants pay taxes.
Forbes, December, 2005 (p. 35)

CONCLUSION

- III. Summarize
- IV. Note of finality