

Speaking Task 4: Opinion Presentation

Objectives:

- Present an opinion on reading material
- Develop and present orally an argument for a position
- Respond to questions from the audience

Activity:

You will read three views on a theological or ethical issue about which Christians disagree. Then, you will present your opinion on the issue. Your opinion will be one of the three positions that you read. In your presentation, you will summarize your view and explain why you hold it. When you explain your position, you should refer to at least ONE (1) of the reading passages and at least THREE (3) of the Scripture passages.

Your presentation should follow this format.

1. Briefly summarize the position that you hold (30 seconds to 1 minute)
2. Explain why you believe that your position is the best position on the issue (3-4 minutes)

You will be graded on your content, grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation and delivery for your argument and your responses to the questions.

Reminder: You must use at least one point made in one of the reading passages and reference at least three of the Scripture passages. You should use language that clearly indicates when you are presenting someone else's idea.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR OPINION PRESENTATION

Read the passages below that are provided for the topic on which you are presenting your view. Choose one of the columns and topics below and read the passages that relate to the topic that you have chosen. For your presentation, choose at least three (3) verses or passages on your topic to incorporate into your argument. All the passages excerpted here are from the ESV translation. The passages are listed here for reference:

PASSAGES FOR BAPTISM

- Genesis 17:1-14
- Jeremiah 31:31-34
- Matthew 28:16-20
- Mark 1:1-15
- Acts 2:37-41
- Acts 16:25-34
- Romans 4:9-13
- Romans 6:1-11
- Galatians 3:23-29
- 1 Corinthians 1:10-17
- 1 Corinthians 7:12-16
- Ephesians 4:1-6
- Colossians 2:8-15
- 1 Peter 3:18-22

PASSAGES FOR DIVORCE & REMARRIAGE

- Genesis 1:26-31
- Genesis 2:18-25
- Deuteronomy 24:1-4
- Malachi 2:10-16
- Matthew 1:18-25
- Matthew 5:27-37
- Matthew 19:1-12
- Mark 10:1-12
- Luke 16:16-18
- Romans 7:1-3
- 1 Corinthians 7:1-40
- Ephesians 5:22-33
- 1 Peter 3:1-7