

My Opinion Speech Worksheet

Age Group: 8-12 Years | Skill Focus: Sharing Opinions & Giving Reasons

My name: Date:

How to use this worksheet

You will choose a question, decide what you think, find reasons and give a short speech.
Do each step in order. There are no wrong opinions, only clear reasons!

1 Choose Your Question

Tick ONE question you have a strong opinion about, or write your own!

School Life

- ☐ School uniforms: yes or no?
- ☐ Later school start times
- ☐ More playtime at school
- ☐ No homework at weekends

My own:

Free Time

- ☐ Cats or dogs?
- ☐ Books or screens?
- ☐ Summer or winter?
- ☐ Phones for kids?

My own:

Our World

- ☐ Ban plastic bags?
- ☐ Cooking lessons for all
- ☐ Plant more trees?
- ☐ Recycling at school

My own:

Opinion Spark!

An opinion is what YOU think. A fact is something that can be proven.

Fact: "Dogs have four legs." **Opinion:** "Dogs are the best pets."

My question:

What do I think? Tick ONE!

- ☐ Yes, I agree ☐ No, I disagree ☐ It depends

My opinion in one sentence:

How strongly do I feel? Tick ONE!

- ☐ A little ☐ Quite a lot ☐ Very strongly

2 Find Your Reasons

A good opinion always has reasons. Warm up, then find three of your own!

Fact or Opinion? Tick the OPINION in each pair.

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| ☐ Pizza is delicious. | ☐ Pizza has cheese on it. |
| ☐ The Earth goes around the sun. | ☐ Winter is the best season. |
| ☐ Our school has a big field. | ☐ Our school field is beautiful. |

REASON 1 Why do I think this?

Because

For example

This matters because

REASON 2 Why do I think this?

Because

For example

This matters because

REASON 3 Why do I think this?

Because

For example

This matters because

What if someone disagrees?

Listening to the other side makes your opinion stronger.

Someone might say:

I would answer:

3 Plan Your Speech

Use the OREO plan: Opinion, Reason, Example, Opinion again. Plan each part below!

OPINION Say what you think

Try: "In my opinion, ____ because ____."

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REASON Explain why you think it

Try: "The first reason is _____. Another reason is _____."

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EXAMPLE Prove it with a story or fact

Try: "For example, _____. This shows that _____."

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OPINION Say it again to finish strongly

Try: "That is why I believe _____. Thank you for listening!"

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Opinion Power Words

START: In my opinion I believe I strongly feel

REASON: because one reason is this matters since

EXAMPLE: for example such as like when

END: that is why so in conclusion

Read your plan out loud once. Check it!

☐ My opinion is clear

☐ I have 2+ reasons

☐ I have an example

Tip: A good opinion is like a table. Your reasons are the legs that hold it up!

4 Give Your Speech

Your speech should take about 1 minute. Tick each Speaker Tip you remember!

Opinion Speaker Tips

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| ☐ State your opinion clearly | ☐ Speak slowly and clearly |
| ☐ Give reasons, not just "I like it" | ☐ Look at your audience |
| ☐ Stay polite and respectful | ☐ Use a strong, confident voice |

Give your speech 3 times. Colour a star after each one!

Practice 1: to a mirror



Practice 2: to a toy or pet



Practice 3: to family or friends



Time it! My speech took (minutes and seconds):

Did my audience understand my opinion? Tick ONE!

- ☐ Yes, clearly ☐ Mostly ☐ Not yet

How did your speech feel? Tick your choice!



Clear and convincing!

☐ Tick here



Getting there

☐ Tick here



Needs more reasons

☐ Tick here

My strongest reason was.....

Next time I will add:

Parent / Teacher Feedback

What the child did well:

One thing to try next time:

Opinion stars: ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Signed:

Well done! Your opinion is worth hearing!