Englisch LK analyzing speeches

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ANALYSING SPEECHES - checklist

Make sure that you cover those of the following points that are relevant to the speech.

- 1. Historical facts
- a. Who speaks?
- b. To whom?
- c. When?
- d. Where in what situation? (e.g. on TV/film/radio, at a small political meeting/big political rally, in a popularly elected forum, in a law court, as part of a ritual (a wedding, a funeral etc.))
- e. What has led to the decision to speak?
- 2. The text.
- a. The structure of the speech (Find headlines: e.g.
- 1. introduction,
- 2. analysis of the problem or conflict,
- 3. argumentation,
- 4. climax.
- 5. conclusion
- these five points are

the traditional demands to the structure of speeches; they may not all be suited for the analysis of 'your' speech!)

- b. The main claims advanced (facts, values, policies)
- c. Give a short summary.
- 3. Intention (e.g. to convince the audience, to sell something (also figuratively, i.e. a political message), to express certain emotions)
- 4. Message (sum up the message in a few words)
- 5. Language special linguistic effects:
- a. Special expressions
- b. Imperatives/persuasive/urging verbal forms
- c. Repetition of certain words or phrases
- d. Use of contrasting terms
- e. Use of loaded words
- f. Use of personal pronouns (does the speaker try to identify himself with the

audience?)

- g. Direct speech addressed to the audience
- 6. Style
- a. Emotional or matter-of-fact
- b. Use of irony and sarcasm
- 7. Evaluation (your views)
- a. Does the speaker succeed in catching the attention of the audience?
- b. Do you think that his argumentation is convincing?

VOICE

- 1. Volume
- 2. Pitch
- 3. Variation
- 4. "Special effects" (laughter, crying, singing etc.)

BODY LANGUAGE (videos!)

- 1. Use of facial expressions
- 2. Use of gestures
- 3. Tense or relaxed
- 4. Posture (e.g. standing, sitting)
- 5. Movement (e.g. shifting of position, walking around)

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