

Exploration #5- Wolf Swamp TED-Ed Club – 1/9/19

Great TED Talks tend to capture an audience’s attention immediately. They quickly build on that initial momentum, and provide creative insights and thoughts that reward an audience’s attention. Then, before the talk starts to feel too long, they wrap up with a meaningful conclusion.

Exploration #5

Master the Story Arc: beginning, middle and end

What is a story arc?

What makes for a strong introduction to a talk?

How do you keep the audience’s attention in the middle?

What makes for a strong conclusion to a talk?

Let’s talk about strategies for opening, developing and closing presentations in ways that will enthrall your audience!

Materials:

Idea books - pages with pencils/colored pencils, pens
Computers, headphones, projectors
Sentence Frames for sources (attached)
Camera

Snack and Attendance

Activity #1: Watch [TED-Ed club lesson video #5](#) through snack

Activity #2: Exploration Book, pages 9-10

1. List in your idea book - pages 9-10 - the beginning and the middle that you would like to convey in your talk. You may prefer to use the graphic organizer we give you.
2. Use the points you wrote down last exploration on pages 6-8
3. Spend time thinking about how you will include your personal experiences with your topic.

Activity #3: Work in these groups and explain your ideas to each other for feedback.

Reegina	Tehila	Nico
Alfonso	Frank	Margo
Caroline	Sonia	Giuliana
Robin	Danica	
Jack	Ivan	
Derek	Anniela	

Activity #4: Practice Public Speaking using listening and speaking skills. Each student stands up to give their main idea (under theme) and their beginning, middle and end ideas.

4. Activity #5 -

New videos with kids talking: (from the New London TED-Ed Talks)

[How kids can change the world](#)

[Being Yourself](#)

[Life as an immigrant](#)

[My dog and me](#)

[Changing communities](#)

[Being Yourself](#)

[Getting Involved](#)

[Class Nerd](#)

Master The Beginning of Your Talk - Page 9

Main Idea

In your idea book, explain your main idea. This is your thesis statement...your introduction.

Ideas of how to begin my talk include...

Here you will give three or four reasons you will be talking about regarding your main idea/topic. These reasons will build later with evidence and details. For now, just write your reasons.

Master the Middle - Page 10

You will use three pages from your idea book for these because each page will be for one of your three reasons

Key Points for the middle of my talk include:

This is where you begin to do your research for each reason. To keep it organized, you will make a bullet list or a mind map of the key points and evidence you find. BE SURE TO KEEP a record of where you get your information because you will need to mention those sources.

