



Wrap Up Your Task

Remember, you need to create a speech that answers the question:

As Canada’s prime minister, how would you respond to what you believe is the most important issue about government today?

Summarize Your Ideas

Review the chart you began on page 19. Summarize the information in your chart and select one issue that you will present in your speech. Remember: you will need to be persuasive to be selected as prime minister for a day. Consider the “Steps to Persuasive Communication” that you learned about on pages 36 and 37.

Prepare Your Speech

For a speech, speak clearly. State strong facts and reasons. Use effective and convincing words that will make the audience want to listen.

When you can convey your thoughts along with facial expressions and tone of voice, the audience gets a better sense of what you are talking about.

Tone is everything. If you want to persuade your audience, you must be friendly.

Tips for Making a Powerful, Persuasive Speech

- ✓ Organize your ideas.
- ✓ Use visuals to reinforce your points.
- ✓ Establish eye contact with everyone in the room.
- ✓ Speak clearly and loudly enough to be heard.



Introduction
 The most important issue about government today is the way MPs are elected and I have suggestions for how I would use the system to change it. The current system does not represent Canadians well, in my opinion. I will present three reasons supporting my position: not everyone votes for the MP that “represents” them; MPs usually vote with their party; and minority groups in society have difficulty electing MPs.

First Point
 I would like to present a graph showing how people voted in this riding during the last federal election... I would use the system to ensure that...