

Persuasive Essay/ Speech

TOPIC

You are the Secretary General of the United Nations in 2007. As part of your job, you must address the General Assembly of all 200 Member Countries each year in a speech called “The State of the World.” As Secretary General, this is your opportunity to speak out to the entire world about the most important issue facing the international community of nations in 2007.

As you do every year, you choose one topic to address to the world. What would it be? Why is this the most important issue facing the nations of the world in 2007? What do you propose to do to address this issue?

You will need all the elements of a great essay:

1. Engaging introduction that hooks the reader/listeners from the first line and weaves to a focused thesis statement.
2. Body paragraphs with specific support and data that enhances your argument.
3. Topic sentences of each paragraph must hook back to the thesis statement, introduce your supporting ideas and act as transitions throughout the essay/speech.
4. Try to avoid the word “there,” passive voice and the excessive use of “be” verbs (is, was, were, are).
5. Parallel structure –(rhythm and the sacred three) –must be part of essay.
5. You will need to quote and paraphrase from at least two secondary sources that you will include with your essay. You will write this essay in first person. Must be at least 2-4 pages double- spaced.
6. You will include an outline and write using the MLA format.

Due: Wednesday, November 14