



EMPOWERING YOUTH TO SPEAK UP



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"A small group of thoughtful people can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

The story behind I Speak started with a girl – a 20 year old English student who attended my public speaking activity. She thought that she had no say in her life, and she was changing her major because she was told to do so. She was very shy and quiet that I never heard her speak in front of my whole class. Therefore, she talked to me privately. I remember her speaking up for the first time after a few sessions, saying that she told her father what she wanted to do and she is going to do it . From that time on, this girl was never silenced again because she found her voice; she even went on to have her own activity about entertainment. Though I think public speaking really helped change and shape this girl's life, I really I think I created a monster.

I am doing this because I want to create more monsters. I mean empowered and outspoken youth. I want to provide youth with public speaking skills which would both educate and empower them to take a stand in their own lives – both personally and professionally – and give a voice to the marginalized and silenced individuals.

By working with all the youth programs I could reach, I found that while the program creators know the value of public speaking in building confidence and competence in empowered individuals and leaders, somehow it always ends up being neglected. For all of this and more I believe it is time to attempt to positively influence the community around me.





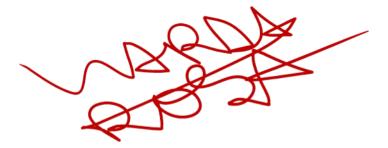
I believe that Arab youth, which should be EVERY COUNTRY'S asset, is disengaged, marginalized, and unheard. It's not just my problem or my country's problem; over 50% of today's youth has previously shared similar concerns. This is why I am so passionate about this project. I want to change the world as we see it and being one entitled millennial I thought I was going to do so easily , but after my training in both the UK and US, I learned that changing the world can start from me, that I should be the change I want to see in the world. I got to know that real change takes time, needs hard work, and starts really small. I realized that the small event at my home town is the big change I want.

One aspect of my project is to create a public speaking training course for college students in Constantine joining youth empowerment programs. Having this vital skill as secondary or as a second to last position is what keeps the motivated and aspiring youth form reaching their full potential, or as I describe it 'reaching their inner monsters.'

With my project implemented, I see a future of civically engaged and empowered youth. I see more outspoken college students achieving their goals and taking the ropes of their lives in their own hands. I see more girls and boys choosing the future they want. With my project implemented, I see more youth taking Constantine by storm

It is said that one drop can start an ocean. Yet I believe with your help advice, support, and my drive, we can make it rain.

Thank you



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Program Management Basis

Rational for Program

- Fighlight to the students the importance of behavioral skills in their career.
- Share with the students the best-in-class methods of learning to achieve holistic accelerated career opportunities.
- Offer a platform for students for knowledge sharing with the industry and help them get industry ready.
- Share learning resources in three core areas of public speaking debating and soft skills in general.
- Enrich the knowledge of youth empowerment with role play, case study, scenarios, and experiences to enhance courseware delivery effectiveness
- Share our IP and, thus, develop a large pool of Students across the city to promote and advocate public speaking and Soft Skills course in the same style and depth.
- Familiarize the youth of Constantine with the concept of the program and evolve well defined public speaking program rollout plan.

Measuring Improvement

The program also provides an instrument for evaluation of improvements in soft skills before and after the training. We will seek all forms of feedback and comments regarding the workshops and their effectiveness.





Frequently Asked Questions

• What are Soft Skills?

"Soft skills" or "behavioral skills" are those that are crucial to an employee's ability to work *smarter*. A survey of employers has revealed a list of specific "soft skills" that they believe as essential for employees. The skills most frequently mentioned for fresh entrant engineers are English communication, knowing how to learn; competence in reading, writing, effective listening and oral communication skills; grammar and vocabulary; adaptability through creative thinking and problem solving; personal management with strong self-esteem and initiative; interpersonal skills; the ability to work in teams, Knowledge of industry.

• What can I Speak offer to the students?

Each event that is held by I Speak can offer soft skills training based on UK and USA training by professional in their own trained faculty or.

Is the I Speak program fee affordable? Yes. We try to negotiate special rates with our sponsors to make it attractive and affordable for all students.

• How long will the I Speak training program be?

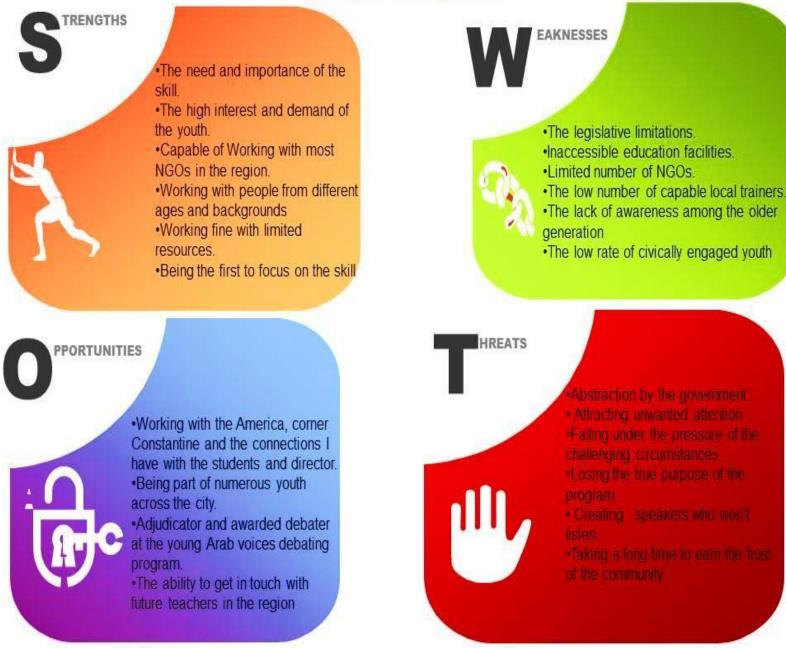
The duration would vary from 3 - 4 days depending on the number of participants. The launching event, though, would be only 1 day just to introduce and simulate what our events and boot camps would look like.

• Is this training available for all students? Yes. Any Connected student from any stream can attend this program.

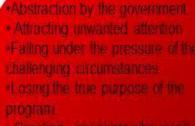




SWOT Analysis: public speaking and youth empowerment program Algeria



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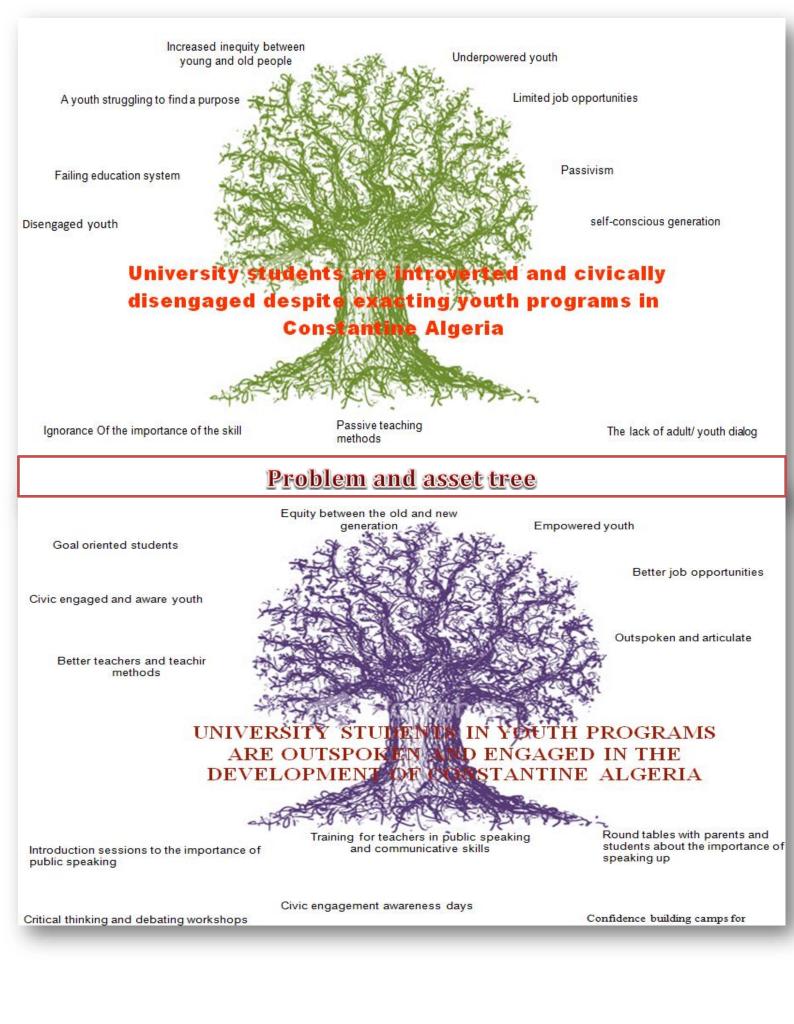


Creating speakers who won't

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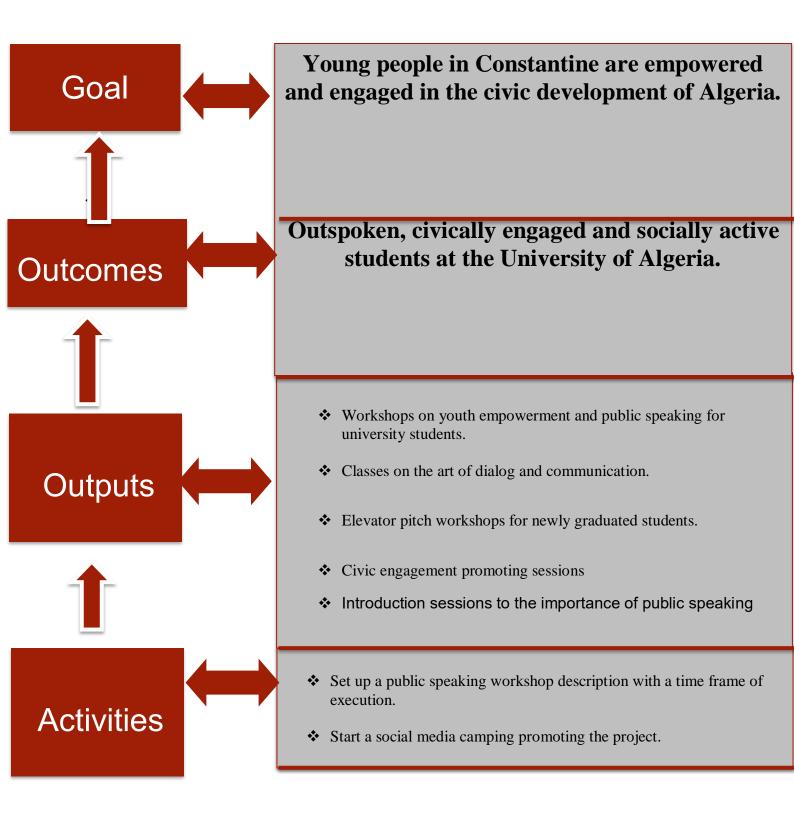
















Result Level	Descriptions	Indicators	Assumptions:
Goal	Young people in Constantine are empowered and engaged in the civic development of Algeria		The children's parents are encouraged Children are motivated to attend Tangible effect so that both the parents and the children feel trust.
Outcomes	The students of the university of Constantine are outspoken and socially active when it comes to university clubs, activism, and the student body.	Students get to see the impact of being engaged and out spoken on both their social and professional life.	Young students standing up for their beliefs and dreams. Students demanding to be part of the decision making in the university. Active and promising university clubs.
Outputs	 Workshops on youth empowerment and public speaking for university students. Classes on the art of dialog and communication. Elevator pitch workshops for newly graduated students. Civic engagement promoting sessions Seminars on the importance of civic engagement. Open days on university policy. 	Students develop the skill of speaking their mind and become more confidant in both social and professional settings	Students do better at their assignments and presentations. Students are more engaged in classes and tend to participate more. Students helping with the community and trying to make a change in their surroundings.





Activities	 Conduct an online survey to gather the needs and interests of <i>Constantinain</i> youth regarding youth empowerment and public speaking. Set up a public speaking workshop description with a time frame of execution. Creating a booklet of the offer of my project 'I Speak' and make it custom to the different youth programs I want to reach out to. 	Students and youth programs showing interest in the project. Number of participants willing to take part of the project. Students investing their free time to learn a new skill.	Create a trust worthy and well trained staff. Create an interesting and sufficient workshop that works for different needs. Create a brand for the project and promote across the city.
	 Start a social media camping promoting the project. Conduct open day introductory sessions explaining the concept of my project. Call for participants through all media outlets possible 		
	 Call for participants through all 		





Introduction

Because real change takes time, needs hard work, and starts really small, the I Speak launching will be a one day event.

The morning will be dedicated to introducing this inspiring program to the public. It includes the main speech about the message and the program and two other keynote speakers who will explain the new idea I Speak is bringing.

The evening will be a simulation of an I Speak slandered workshop just to give the attendees an Idea of what they would expect in a later on I Speak boot camp.







Pre-event Planning

schedule/structure:

a 3 day event during the spring of 2018. Starting at 9am the first day, we will hold 4 sessions. one introductory session in the first day, and 2 sessions during the remaining 2 days which will be devoted to soft skills workshops and training, ending with a closing session.

Optimal number of attendees:

50 attendees and 100 workshop participants

Length of each session:

Around 3 hours each with a lunch break in between

Event facility:

Big room with round tables and chairs for about 150 people, 10 in every table Official colors are dark red, black, white, and silver.





Supplies:

- A stage with a podium
 - Speakers and 4 microphone
 - \hat{r} A projector (data show)
 - 10 pull-up Banners
 - f 1 big entrance banner
 - (1 I Speak big sign
 - © 200 Program schedule fliers
 - to 200 pens, pins, and strikers papers.
 - 12 flipcharts

 - ^{(†} 200 papers from each size (A2, A3, A4)
 - Envelops , badges , stickers , post it notes, colors ...
 - (T-shirts for team leaders, staff members and selected participants.
- Offices supplies (tape, stapler, post it notes , papers, and a big white board)
- Food and drinks :
 - (2 coffee breaks per day .
 - f On table refreshments
 - ^{(†} 1 Lunch per day for all participants.
 - f 1 dinner per day for out of town participants .

ADVERTISING

- $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$ Lead time for advertising:
 - 2 moth before the event
- Direct invitations: For important guests
- Other advertising ideas: Posters, fliers, web posts, and Facebook events

REGISTRATION for participants:

Online: by Google form for all workshop participants





SHEDUALE

⁽Day one :

- ▼ Setting and Icebreaker.
- Morning panel debate "the importance of public speaking ".
- Lunch break.
- Letter to self-workshop.
- Team choosing and building.

♥ Day two :

- Team building workshop and discussion "car & driver ".
- Lunch break.
- Afternoon workshop "Natural Born Leaders".

^{(†}Day three :

- Public speaking techniques workshop.
- Lunch break.
- Closing workshop "action planning log frame".
- Closing ceremony.





All activities are structured as follows:

JUST THE FACTS: This is the basic purpose of the activity - plain and simple - and is intended to be a brief description for the instructor.



Time: A suggested time frame is offered for planning purposes. Of course, as activities are altered or modified for various reasons, times may invariably change.



Materials: A list of suggested materials for the activity is provided. The goal of the basic activity is to keep materials to a minimum.



Directions: Directions, including sample scripts, are offered for convenience. You are encouraged to adapt or modify these activities to better resonate with your particular audience, as these activities offer an opportunity to tackle some difficult issues and conversations.



Conclusion: The conclusion is a guide to engage participants in a thoughtful conversation. The goal of this dialogue is to encourage independent ideas and reasoning.

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Journaling Activity: Journaling questions are offered as a way to incorporate personal reflection using an individualized means of expression. Participants should be encouraged to choose a form of journaling that feels right for them, while also being supported to "test the waters" with a technique that might stretch a traditional comfort zone. The following alternatives to "traditional" journaling (writing) are offered as suggestions:





Icebreakers, introductions & tone setting V

Adding icebreakers, introduction and tone setting exercises to a workshop helps to

▼	Create a positive group atmosphere.	
▼	Relax participants	
▼	Break down social barriers	
▼	Energise & motivate	
▼	Encourage participants to think outside the box	

- Enable participants to get to know one another







GROUND RULES (TONESETTING)

TIME: 30 MINUTES

Objectives:

To give the audience a chance to get down and get themselves seated

To inform public of the program's schedule.

To set a tone of openness and respect for the rest of the event.

We will need:

 \Box One big room with chairs and tables

□ A projector (data show) for Program objectives and message

Preparation:

Arrange seats in a circle around each table.

Place the schedule where all participants can see it.

Activity overview:

After a short introduction, we share the project's schedule with participants, and explain that to be productive they need to agree to some ground rules for the time they will work together. Both participants and facilitator can suggest rules. There must be group consensus on each rule before it is added to the list of rules.







TIME: 2 HOURS

SPEAKING (Morning panel debate "the importance of public speaking ")

Objectives:

To inform public the public about I Speak and the aim behind its creation

To explain how the I Speak's coming events and workshops will proceed

We will need:

- □ One big room with chairs and tables
- □ A projector (data show) for Program objectives and message

Preparation:

Arrange seats in a circle around each table Make sure everyone is seated and awaiting

Activity overview:

We will introduce the idea behind I Speak and the aim for its creation. We will showcase the steps behind the creation of I Speak. Later on, will stress the importance of a project like I Speak and why we wanted it to start from Constantine exactly. At last, we will tell the audience about the bright future we are going to create for the project and ask for all the help and support we can get. The end will be to send them off to a quick coffee break. After that, 2 keynote speakers will join and we will open a panel.





(f Letter to self



(r Team selection and team building (team work)

Objective:

To get to know one's self and also one's team .

You will need:

- One facilitateur and 10 other coordinateurs
- □ At least one blank sheet of paper and envelope per participant *(It is useful to have some extras)
- Pens or pencils for all participants
- Paper and markers, post it notes and a big white board

Preparation:

Arrange 10 seats around each table, place paper where it will be seen by everyone in the circle

Make sure each participant grab a paper and an envelope choose a place to sit and start writing his or her letter

Make sure each participant chooses a name tag randomly and places his letter in the right box according to the color of the name tags

Activity overview:

Participants are asked to think of their present past and future and what they expect from this journey then choose a team and get to know them by Discussing and exploring what makes an effective team.





End of day 1 The start of DAY 2 V







(LEADERSHIP) TIME: TIME: 3 HOURS MINUTES

Objectives:

To explore the emotional implications of leading and following

You will need:

- One facilitator and 10 other coordinators
- □ An enclosed space for participants to walk around
- Seats in a circle
- □ Flip chart, paper, and markers

Preparation:

To make the exercise more challenging you can scatter obstacles like chairs and tables throughout the space.

Arrange seats in a circle

Activity overview:

Participants are paired off and assigned the role of a car or a driver. The car must keep her eyes closed and follow the instructions of the driver who stays behind her giving instructions silently with a set of touch signals. It is the driver's responsibility to protect the car from collisions. Group discussions after the game explore the emotional implications of leading and blindly following.

Instructions:

- 1. Randomly divide group into pairs, and ask them to stand with their partner.
 - For more challenging exercise, put people who do not know each other well together.
- 2. Assign one person from each pair to be the car. The other will be the driver.
- 3. Explain that the role of the car is to keep their eyes closed and follow the driver's instructions.
- 4. Explain that the role of the driver is to keep their eyes opened and protect the car from

collisions.

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5. Tell participants that talking is not allowed, and drivers will communicate to cars with the following touch signals:

- a. Touch on the middle of the back means walk
- b. Subsequent touches on the middle of the back mean walk faster
- c. Touch on right shoulder means turn right
- d. Touch on left shoulder means turn left
- e. Touch on the head means stop
- 6. Make sure everyone understands their roles, and the signals, then start the exercise.
- 7. After one or two minutes stop the exercise and have each pair switch roles. Cars become drivers and vice versa.
- Stop the second round after one or two minutes and have the group return to their seats.
- 9. Lead a discussion on the activity using the notes provided.







Objective:

To explore the **qualities of** each leadership style and how each help with **PUBLIC SPEAKING SKILS**,

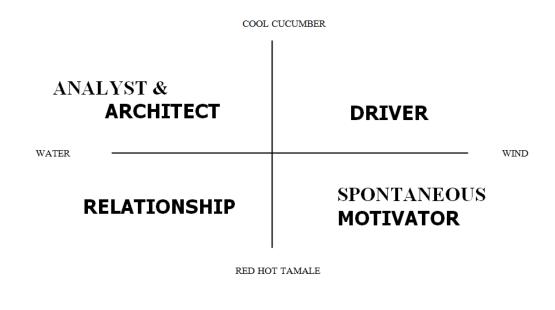
You will need:	One facilitateur and 10 other coordinateurs
	Pens or pencils for all participants
	\Box Paper and markers, post it notes and a big white board
	Make sure each participant is taking part of the

workshop and following instructions

Activity overview:

The four quadrants represent key aspects needed in leadership and functional groups. Leaders come from all quadrants. Preferred style is less important than maturity of that style and the ability to move around the quadrants as needed. A goal of developing yourself as a leader is to be aware of your comfortable quadrants and less comfortable quadrants. This can help you know your strengths and work on your weaker areas, listen to other ways of doing things, try new things and seek appropriate help. People need to lead with a style that fits them, fits the situation and fits the group. If groups are missing people in some of the quads or have everyone bunched in one or two, have the group discuss what the implication of this might be.

This exercise often acts as a segue for subsequent discussion about such topics as gender and leadership styles; how your role and situation can dictate your style; what styles society (and NOLS) views as good leadership; whether it is possible to be a good leader if you reside mainly in one quadrant; what happens to leadership styles under stress, etc.







End of day 2 The start of DAY 3 V







Objective:

To explore the qualities of good and bad PUBLIC SPEAKING SKILS,

You will need:

One facilitateur and 10 other coordinateurs

Pens or pencils for all participants

☐ Markers, post it notes and a big white board

Make sure each participant is taking part of the workshop and following instructions

Activity overview:

The following are important elements of verbal/oral communication.

Your Voice

- Pitch highness or lowness
- Volume loudness or softness
- Tone emphasis and inflection
- Rate speed
- Enunciation distinction and correctness

Your Words

- Pronunciation pronounce words correctly
- Grammar usage and correctness matters
- Vocabulary watch for over-use of words
- The "In" Words Stay away from the popular phrases
- Slang and Swearing Avoid at all cost

The Standard Stages in Conversation

- Introductions
- Warm-up or small talk
- Core conversation
- Wrap-up summary of decisions
- Exit with small talk

Diversity

- Use person-first language (a person who is blind)
- Avoid phrases and slang that target a culture or group
- Choose your jokes cearfully







Objectives:

To explore the implications of smart goals in leading a successful life .

You will need:

- □ One facilitator and 10 other coordinators
- □ Papers , pens , colors ...
- □ 10 Seats around a table
- □ Projected Presentation and explanation

Activity overview:

III. SMaRT GoaLS (group exercise)

- **S**pecific (specific about what you are trying to accomplish)
- **Measurable (measurable benchmark to identify accomplishment)**
- **a**chievable (what's feasible/achievable actions to help you meet your measurable)
- Relevant (why this goal is personally important to you)
- Time-Framed (deadline to accomplish this goal)

Give your clients 5 minutes to complete the SMART goal exercise, have them share their goal with

the class and allow the class to give them feedback on whether their goal was smart or not.

Hand-out: SMART Sheet Exercise

IV. Goal Setting Discussion Questions

Break your clients into groups and assign them one or two questions to discuss and answer. After the

groups have had the opportunity to discuss the assigned question(s) have a spokesperson from each

group share their answers with the class.

Hand-out: Goal Setting Discussion Questions

V. Goal Chart/ Timeline

Assign the goal chart and timeline for homework to be turned into to their case manager in the first

scheduled one on one. On both of these hand-outs there is a place where the client can indicate

what they need from case management to help them be successful in accomplishing their goals.

Encourage your clients to be thorough when completing these assignments, incomplete work will not

be accepted.

Hand-outs: Goal Chart and planner, Goal Timeline

VI. Goal Setting Pledge

Wrap-up this workshop by giving your clients 10 minutes to complete the goal setting pledge handout.

Direct your clients to identify a goal that is specific to the completion of this program.





Boot camp closing, Fruit picking & closing ceremony





