

Listening Strategy 9:

# **A GOOD STRUCTURE**

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Video A: Opening → Body → Ending

**Video B: main ideas and supporting details**

# A good structure

## Opening

10%

### grab the audience's attention

- a question
- an interesting statement
- a quotation
- a joke

## Body

80%

### the actual information with good flow

- 1 paragraph = 1 topic sentence + supporting details
- smooth transitions and discourse markers

## Ending

10%

### the message the audience should remember

- refer back to the beginning
- summarize the main points
- give food for thought to your listener
- call the listener to action
- give a final thought or emotion



## **Body**

80%

**the actual information with good flow**

- 1 paragraph = 1 topic sentence + supporting details
- smooth transitions and discourse markers

## **The topic sentence**

- the main subject or idea of the paragraph

## **Supporting details**

- facts, reasons, examples
- quotations, paraphrases
- statistics, research data
- stories, personal experiences

## **Transitions**

- good logic
- discourse markers

# Outline while listening

Ted-Ed: What makes a good hero?



- Video: [https://www.ted.com/talks/matthew\\_winkler\\_what\\_makes\\_a\\_hero/transcript#t-113449](https://www.ted.com/talks/matthew_winkler_what_makes_a_hero/transcript#t-113449)

# Practice listening to details

## Opening

10%

### grab the audience's attention

A hero's journey  
questions and examples

## Body

80%

### the actual information with good flow

#### Body 1: Key event and pattern

Body 2: Popular movie "Hunger Games" fits as an example

Body 3: You can also be a hero

## Ending

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### the message the audience should remember

Go experience a hero's journey in your own life

# Teacher's details

## Opening

10%

### grab the audience's attention

A hero's journey

using examples, a quotation, and a question

## Body

80%

### the actual information with good flow

#### Body 1: Key event and pattern

Status Quo, (1) call to adventure (2) assistance (3) departure (4) trials (5) approach (6) crisis (7) treasure (8) result (9) return (10) new life (11) resolution

#### Body 2: Popular movie "Hunger Games" fits as an example

(1) Her sister gets chosen (2) Haymitch (3) the capital etc...

#### Body 3: You can also be a hero

Human, leave comfort zone, transform, recover, do it again

## Ending

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