

Great Speeches Of The 20th Century

In this fascinating book, Chris Abbott, a leading political analyst, takes a close look at 21 key speeches which have shaped the world today. He examines the power of the arguments embedded in these speeches to inspire people to achieve great things, or do great harm. Abbott draws upon his political expertise to explain how our current understanding of the world is rooted in pivotal moments of history. These moments are captured in the words of a range of influential speakers including: Emmeline Pankhurst, Martin Luther King, Jr, Enoch Powell, Napoleon Beazley, Kevin Rudd, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Ronald Reagan, George W. Bush, Osama bin Laden, Margaret Beckett, Winston Churchill, Salvador Allende, Margaret Thatcher, Tony Blair, Tim Collins, Mohandas Gandhi, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Robin Cook and Barack Obama. The speeches in this book are arranged thematically, linked by concepts such as 'might is right', 'with us or against us' and 'give peace a chance'. Each transcript is accompanied by an insightful commentary that analyses how the words relate to our modern society. Fresh and relevant, this is a book that will make you stop in your tracks and think about what is really happening in the world today. Boldly breaking the mold of previous anthologies, *Words of a Century: The Top*

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100 American Speeches, 1900-1999 contains the complete--and authentic--texts of the best American speeches of the twentieth century as delivered to their immediate audiences. It features a remarkable array of speakers, from Woodrow Wilson, Clarence Darrow, and Carrie Chapman Catt to Martin Luther King, Ronald Reagan, John F. Kennedy, and Barbara Jordan. As diverse in type as they are in subject matter, the speeches open a unique window on the twentieth century, and many continue to resonate in our own time. Each is preceded by a headnote with background on the speaker, the occasion, and the impact of the speech. More than 2,000 annotations identify people, events, and textual references that help bring the speeches to life for today's readers. This exceptional anthology is ideal for courses in rhetoric, political communication, and twentieth century American history, as well as for anyone interested in the artistry and impact of the spoken word.

The Address was delivered at the dedication of the Soldiers' National Cemetery in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on the afternoon of Thursday, November 19, 1863, during the American Civil War, four and a half months after the Union armies defeated those of the Confederacy at the decisive Battle of Gettysburg. In just over two minutes, Lincoln invoked the principles of human equality espoused by the Declaration of Independence and redefined the Civil War as a struggle not

merely for the Union, but as "a new birth of freedom" that would bring true equality to all of its citizens, and that would also create a unified nation in which states' rights were no longer dominant. Throughout history, some books have changed the world. They have transformed the way we see ourselves - and each other. They have inspired debate, dissent, war and revolution. They have enlightened, outraged, provoked and comforted. They have enriched lives - and destroyed them. Now Penguin brings you the works of the great thinkers, pioneers, radicals and visionaries whose ideas shook civilization and helped make us who we are.

A collection of the most well-known and treasured writings and speeches of Dr. King, available for the first time as an ebook *The Essential Martin Luther King, Jr.* is the ultimate collection of Dr. King's most inspirational and transformative speeches and sermons, accessibly available for the first time as an ebook. Here, in Dr. King's own words, are writings that reveal an intellectual struggle and growth as fierce and alive as any chronicle of his political life could possibly be. Included amongst the twenty selections are Dr. King's most influential and persuasive works such as "I Have a Dream" and "Letter from Birmingham Jail" but also the essay "Pilgrimage to Nonviolence," and his last sermon "I See the Promised Land," preached the day before he was assassinated. Published in

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honor of the 50th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, The Essential Martin Luther King, Jr. includes twenty selections that celebrate the life's work of our most visionary thinkers. Collectively, they bring us Dr. King in many roles—philosopher, theologian, orator, essayist, and author—and further cement the most powerful and enduring words of a man who touched the conscience of the nation and world.

Motivational, passionate and persuasive, this is a compilation of the world's 100 greatest speeches by some of the most significant people in history who have played an important role in shaping the world as we know it now. These speeches?by kings and queens, presidents and prime ministers, freedom fighters and political leaders, dictators and writers?have made a mark in world history. These speeches not only give us an insight into the past, but also inspire us with their demands for equality, cries of freedom, a call to arms, rooting for the cause of the individual or the nation. Learn from the inspirational words of King Charles, Vladimir Ilyich Lenin, Adolf Hitler, Mohandas K. Gandhi, George Washington, Rabindranath Tagore, Anne Besant, Theodore Roosevelt and Subhas Chandra Bose, among many others.

Presents transcripts and recordings of speeches by the leading African American leaders of the twentieth century, with historical background and a radio

documentary prepared for national broadcast for Black History Month 2005. The history of the United States has been characterized by fervent idealism, intense struggle, and radical change. And for every critical, defining moment in American history, there were those whose impassioned voices rang out, clear and true, and whose words compelled the minds and hearts of all who heard them. When Patrick Henry declared, "Give me liberty, or give me death!", when Martin Luther King Jr. said, "I have a dream", Americans listened and were profoundly affected. These speeches stand today as testaments to this great nation made up of individuals with bold ideas and unshakeable convictions. The American Heritage Book of Great American Speeches for Young People includes over 100 speeches by founding fathers, patriots, Native American and African American leaders, abolitionists, women's suffrage and labor activists, writers, athletes, and others from all walks of life, featuring inspiring and unforgettable speeches by such notable speakers as: Patrick Henry * Thomas Jefferson * Tecumseh * Frederick Douglass * Sojourner Truth * Abraham Lincoln * Susan B. Anthony * Mother Jones * Lou Gehrig * Franklin D. Roosevelt * Albert Einstein * Pearl S. Buck * Langston Hughes * John F. Kennedy * Martin Luther King Jr. These are the voices that shaped our history. They are powerful, moving, and, above all else, uniquely American.

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George Orwell's celebrated novella, *Animal Farm*, is a biting, allegorical, political satire on totalitarianism in general and Stalinism in particular. One of the most famous works in modern English literature, it is a telling comment on Soviet Russia under Stalin's brutal dictatorship based on a cult of personality which was enforced through a reign of terror. The book tells a seemingly simple story of farm animals who rebel against their master in the hope of stopping their exploitation at the hand of humans and creating a society where animals would be equal, free and happy. Ultimately, however, the rebellion is betrayed and the farm ends up in a state as bad as it was before. The novel thus demonstrates how easily good intentions can be subverted into tyranny. Orwell has himself said that it was the first book in which he had tried, with full consciousness of what he was doing, 'to fuse political purpose and artistic purpose into one whole.' The book was first published in England in 1945, and has since then remained a favourite with readers all over the world, and has consistently been included in all prestigious bestseller lists for the past many years.

Here are 21 legendary speeches from the country's most inspirational female voices, including Sojourner Truth, Susan B. Anthony, Eleanor Roosevelt, Hillary Rodham Clinton, Nancy Pelosi, and many others.

Remarkable for their eloquence, depth of feeling, and oratorical mastery, these 82 compelling speeches encompass five centuries of Indian encounters with nonindigenous people. Beginning with a 1540 refusal by a Timucua chief to parley with Hernando de Soto ("With such a people I want no peace"), the collection extends to the 20th-century address of activist Russell Means to the United Nations affiliates and members of the Human Rights Commission ("We are people who love in the belly of the monster"). Other memorable orations include

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Powhatan's "Why should you destroy us, who have provided you with food?" (1609); Red Jacket's "We like our religion, and do not want another" (1811); Osceola's "I love my home, and will not go from it" (1834); Red Cloud's "The Great Spirit made us both" (1870); Chief Joseph's "I will fight no more forever" (1877); Sitting Bull's "The life my people want is a life of freedom" (1882); and many more. Other notable speakers represented here include Tecumseh, Seattle, Geronimo, and Crazy Horse, as well as many lesser-known leaders. Graced by forceful metaphors and vivid imagery expressing emotions that range from the utmost indignation to the deepest sorrow, these addresses are deeply moving documents that offer a window into the hearts and minds of Native Americans as they struggled against the overwhelming tide of European and American encroachment. This inexpensive edition, with informative notes about each speech and orator, will prove indispensable to anyone interested in Native American history and culture.

Tracing the struggle for freedom and civil rights across two centuries, this anthology comprises speeches by Martin Luther King, Jr., Marcus Garvey, Malcolm X, Barack Obama, and many other influential figures.

Master the art of persuasion with lessons from the best speakers of our time. Throughout history, they have moved us. They have enlightened and inspired us. They are our nation's most influential speakers, gifted with the talent to change minds and hearts. What is the almost magical power they possess--and how can you harness it for yourself? The answers are here in this illuminating guide to unforgettable oratory. Complete with a ninety-minute CD featuring six great speeches in their entirety, this tool kit for speakers takes you through an in-depth analysis of these historically significant speeches and the secrets of their eloquent

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effectiveness. With close examination of each speech, you'll get lessons on how to: Address a difficult situation with help from the Great Communicator, Ronald Reagan Bring divergent interests together with effective arguments like Edward Kennedy Capture and hold your audience's attention by mastering General Douglas MacArthur's structural techniques Style a formal speech with the elegance of John F. Kennedy Maximize your delivery by studying the power of Barbara Jordan's voice Use Mary Fisher's special rhetorical tactics to sway even the toughest audience

This definitive collection gathers the most significant speeches of the modern era, from Theodore Roosevelt and Martin Luther King Jr. to Ronald Reagan and Michelle Obama Defined by waves of idealism and doubt, progress and destruction, the twentieth century and the first decades of the twenty-first have seen the best and worst of humanity in measures previously unimaginable. Underpinning the rise of radio, television, and the internet, the spoken word has proven ever more crucial in stirring the hearts and minds of millions around the world. In these pages, Emmeline Pankhurst agitates for the right to vote; Adolf Hitler rises to power; Fidel Castro sparks a revolution; John F. Kennedy calls Americans to action; Betty Friedan rallies for equality; and Barack Obama contemplates the meaning of America. The speeches contained in *The Penguin Book of Modern Speeches*, some of the most extraordinary and memorable of the modern age, have established and shaped how we understand ourselves and our place in the world around us.

Comprehensively updated with many new speeches including Earl Spencer's lament to "The extraordinary and irreplaceable Diana", Nikita Khrushchev's secret speech of 1956 signalling the beginning of the end of Stalinist Russia, Patrick Pearse's rousing funeral oration that

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fanned the flames of the Easter Rising, Kevin Rudd's historic apology to Australia's mistreated Aborigines and Barack Obama's momentous US election night victory speech. Alongside these are the finest war cries of Winston Churchill, Martin Luther King's prophetic "I have a dream" and "I've seen the promised land" speeches, the inspiring words of JFK and impassioned pleas from Nelson Mandela-the first at his trial in 1964 and the second on his election as president of South Africa in 1994. In addition are historic speeches from Elizabeth I, Charles I, Oliver Cromwell, George Washington, Napoleon Bonaparte, Abraham Lincoln, Emmeline Pankhurst, Mahatma Gandhi, Vladimir Lenin, Neville Chamberlain, Adolf Hitler, Joseph Stalin, Franklin D. Roosevelt, Charles de Gaulle, General George S. Patton, J Robert Oppenheimer, Mao Zedong, Malcolm X, Richard M. Nixon, Pope John Paul II, Vaclav Havel, Elie Wiesel, Mikhail Gorbachev and many other great historical figures. Speeches that Changed the World presents over 50 momentous and thought-provoking speeches from throughout history. Complete with a potted biography of each speaker, and telling the story of why each oration was significant and what happened as a result, this is a gripping history of the world told through its greatest and most impassioned speeches.

This anthology gives an insight into the minds of great leaders and personalities and documents the way they changed the course of history with their inspirational and motivational speeches. These speeches have not only influenced the people of their times but also today's generation. The speeches are of particular significance in the present world of violence, turmoil and injustice. It is hoped that this selection of the world's greatest speeches will prompt the reader to pause a

while and ponder on their timeless relevance and significance. When First Lady Michelle Obama approached the podium at the 2016 Democratic National Convention, nobody could have predicted that her rousing and emotional “When they go low, we go high” speech would go on to become the motto for the political left and an anthem for opponents of oppression worldwide. It was a speech with the kind of emotional pull rarely heard these days, joining a long list of addresses that have made history. But what about Obama’s speech made it so great? *When They Go Low, We Go High* explores the most notable speeches in history, analyzing the rhetorical tricks to uncover how the right speech at the right time can profoundly shape the world. Traveling across continents and centuries, political speechwriter Philip Collins reveals what Thomas Jefferson owes to Cicero and Pericles, who really gave the Gettysburg Address, and what Elizabeth I shares with Winston Churchill. In telling the story of great and sometimes infamous speeches—including those from Lincoln, Woodrow Wilson, JFK, Martin Luther King, Jr., Disraeli, Hitler, Elie Wiesel, Margaret Thatcher, and Barack and Michelle Obama—Collins breathes new life into words you thought you knew well, telling the story of democracy. Whether it’s the inaugural addresses of presidents or the revolutionary writings of Castro, Pankhurst, and Mandela, Collins illuminates and contextualizes these moments

with sensitivity and humor. *When They Go Low, We Go High* is a strong defense of the power of public speaking to propagate and protect democracy and an urgent reminder that when great men and women speak to us, their words can change the world.

The Chambers Book of Great Speeches is the most comprehensive guide available to the inspired and inspiring speeches that have shaped the world we live in. There are over 250 speakers covered, from Bella Abzug to Emile Zola. Each speaker is introduced with a brief biography setting them in context. Each speech also has an introduction explaining its setting, and is accompanied by marginal notes which fill in any background information. The speeches themselves are international in scope and stretch throughout world history, from ancient times through to twenty-first century orators such as Barack Obama, Steve Jobs and Lord Coe.

From Moses to Nelson Mandela, speeches have helped both change the way we see the world and the way the world is shaped. A great orator, however, has to have the right words and the right message to inspire his or her followers. The Penguin Book of Historic Speeches gathers together the world's greatest speeches, bringing together the words of over one hundred men and women. These brilliant and passionate declarations by Disraeli, Lincoln, Gladstone,

Churchill, Washington, Socrates, Pankhurst, Lenin, Gandhi and many others provide a vivid glimpse of history in the making while retaining their power to move and inspire today.

The Great Speeches of Modern India tells the story of modern India through its speeches. Here are all the classics from Tilak, Gandhi, Nehru, Tagore, Ambedkar, L.K. Advani, Manmohan Singh, Indira Gandhi, and here are also some rare speeches—Satyajit Ray on cinema, Vikram Seth on his school days and Godse's defence of his assassination of Gandhi. Stimulating, informative, and full of rare gems, The Great Speeches of Modern India is a must on every bookshelf.

"Freedom or death" by Emmeline Pankhurst. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to forgotten?or yet undiscovered gems?of world literature, we issue the books that need to be read. Each Good Press edition has been meticulously edited and formatted to boost readability for all e-readers and devices. Our goal is to produce eBooks that are user-friendly and accessible to everyone in a high-quality digital format.

This stirring anthology features addresses by Winston Churchill, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Mohandas Gandhi, Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, Ronald Reagan,

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Barack Obama, the Dalai Lama, César Chávez, and many others. Includes three selections from the Common Core State Standards Initiative.

From the American Revolution to the present day, public oratory has profoundly shaped American history and culture-not only our politics but our language and our sense of national identity. Edited by historian and former presidential speechwriter Ted Widmer, *American Speeches* presents the complete texts of forty-seven of the greatest speeches in American history: from Patrick Henry's address before the Virginia Convention in 1775 ("give me liberty, or give me death!") to "A More Perfect Union," Barack Obama's profound meditation on race from the 2008 presidential campaign. Classic speeches like Sojourner Truth's stirring declamation to the 1851 Women's Rights Convention, Abraham Lincoln's masterpiece at Gettysburg, John F. Kennedy's still-inspiring inaugural address, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s prophetic "I Have a Dream" speech, and Ronald Reagan's clarion call at the Brandenburg Gate come together to form a dynamic portrait of our ongoing struggle to define and to realize the possibilities of the American experiment. For almost thirty years, The Library of America has presented America's best and most significant writing in acclaimed hardcover editions. Now, a new series, *Library of America Paperback Classics*, offers attractive and affordable books that bring The Library of America's authoritative texts within easy reach of every reader. This book features detailed biographical notes about the speakers, an essay on the choice of the texts, and explanatory notes.

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Throughout history, great speeches have produced great change. From inciting violence and asserting control to restoring peace and securing freedom, nothing has the raw emotional power of a speech delivered at the right moment, in the right place, with the right content, and the right delivery. *50 Speeches That Made The Modern World* is a celebration of the most influential and thought-provoking speeches that have shaped the world we live in. With comprehensive, chronological coverage of speeches from the 20th and 21st centuries, taken from all corners of the globe, it covers Emmeline Pankhurst's patiently reasoned condemnation of men's failure to improve ordinary women's lives in 1908 through speeches by Vladimir Lenin, Mahatma Gandhi, David Ben-Gurion, Albert Einstein, Fidel Castro, Nikita Khrushchev, Ernesto 'Che' Guevara, Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, Nelson Mandela, Benazir Bhutto, Osama Bin Laden and Aung San Suu Kyi, right up to the most compelling oratory surrounding the 2016 US Presidential elections. Through the rallying propaganda speeches during World War II to the cautious rhetoric of the Cold War period, through challenging the status quo on issues of race, gender and politics to public addresses to the masses on the issues of AIDS and terrorism, through apologies, complaints, warmongering, scaremongering and passionate pleas, this book delivers the most important speeches of the modern era and why they still remain so significant. Each speech has an introduction explaining its setting, importance and impact as well as marginal notes filling in any background information.

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In 2005' The New Press published *Say It Plain*' the celebrated companion to the American Radio Works American Public Media documentary chronicling the great tradition of African American political speech of the past century. In full - throated public oratory' the kind that can stir the soul (Minneapolis Star Tribune)' *Say It Plain* collected and transcribed speeches by some of the twentieth century's leading African American cultural' literary' and political figures. Many of the speeches were never before available in printed form. Following the success of that path - breaking volume' *Say It Loud* adds new depth to the oral and audio history of the modern struggle for racial equality and civil rights - focusing directly on the pivotal questions black America grappled with during the past four decades of resistance. With recordings unearthed from libraries and sound archives' and made widely available here for the first time' *Say It Loud* includes powerful speeches by Malcolm X' Angela Davis' Martin Luther King Jr.' James Cone' Toni Morrison' Colin Powell' and many others. Bringing the rich immediacy of the spoken word to a vital historical and intellectual tradition' *Say It Loud* illuminates the diversity of ideas and arguments pulsing through the black freedom movement. "Let each know that for each the body, the mind and the soul have been freed to fulfill themselves." These powerful words, spoken by Nelson Mandela in his inaugural address as the new president of South Africa, are taken from just one of the forty important and thought-provoking speeches in this collection. Ranging from 1945 to the present day, they provide an important insight into the modern world. Inspirational

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speeches by Winston Churchill, Mikhail Gorbachev, Martin Luther King, Barack Obama and many others are supplemented with biographies of each speaker, as well an exploration of their words' significance and an historical account of the consequences of their oratory. This is a history of the recent and contemporary world told through the speeches that shaped it.

What has happened to the 'art' of speech-writing and speech making? Where are the men and women whose words set the heart racing with passion, turn battles, inspire populations to extraordinary endeavour: 'Ask not what your country can do for you.' 'We shall fight on the beaches.' 'I have a dream.' 'The only thing we have to fear is fear itself.' Quote these words today and they still have the power to stop us in our tracks. This is a book that should be required reading, a book that should be on every bookshelf in the country. Here are fourteen key speeches of the 20th century introduced by prominent figures ranging from F.W. de Klerk and Mikhail Gorbachev to Antony Beevor and Gordon Brown. Winston Churchill: We shall fight on the beaches. Introduced by Simon Schama J.F. Kennedy: Ask not what your country can do for you. Introduced by Kennedy's speech writer Ted Sorensen Nelson Mandela: An ideal for which I am prepared to die. Introduced by F.W. de Klerk Harold Macmillan: No going back. Introduced by Douglas Hurd Franklin D. Roosevelt: The only thing we have to fear is fear itself. Introduced by Gordon Brown Nikita Khrushchev: The cult of the individual. Introduced by Mikhail Gorbachev Emmeline Pankhurst: Freedom or death.

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Introduced by Germaine Greer Martin Luther King: I have a dream. Introduced by Gary Younge Charles de Gaulle: The flame of French resistance. Introduced by Antony Beevor Margaret Thatcher: The lady's not for turning. Introduced by Simon Jenkins Jawaharlal Nehru: A tryst with destiny. Introduced by Ian Jack Aneurin Bevan: Weapons for squalid and trivial ends. Introduced by Tam Dalyell Earl Spencer: The most hunted person of the modern age. Introduced by Beryl Bainbridge Virginia Woolf: Shakespeare's sister. Introduced by Kate Mosse

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What makes a great speech 'great'? The Art of Great Speeches uses insights from classical thinkers to reveal how great orators such as Barack Obama, Martin Luther King, the Kennedys, Al Gore and Hitler have persuaded their audiences so convincingly. Featuring excerpts of 70 of the world's greatest speeches in history and drama, this fascinating book breaks down the key elements of classical and modern oratory to reveal the rhetorical techniques that make them so memorable. It shows how master speechwriters connect with their audiences, seize a moment, project character, use facts convincingly and destroy their opponents' arguments as they try to force the hand of history or create memorable drama. Part history, part defence of oratory, part call for political inspiration, part professional handbook, The Art of Great Speeches does what no other book does - it explains why these speeches are great.

Discover 70 great speeches from leaders such as Winston Churchill, Gandhi, John F.

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Kennedy, Malcolm X, Shirley Chisholm, Ronald Reagan, Gloria Steinem, Bill Gates, and many more. Read excerpts from powerful speeches such as MLK's "I Have a Dream," Churchill's "We Shall Fight on the Beaches," LBJ's "We Shall Overcome," Mary Fisher's "A Whisper of AIDS," and Elie Wiesel's "The Perils of Indifference." These memorable speeches are organized chronologically, beginning with Marie Curie and ending with Elon Musk. Each spread includes an introduction to the speaker and speech as well as key excerpts from the speech.

From the ancient words of Demosthenes to Salman Rushdie's eloquent defense of his work, this anthology represents a compilation of more than two hundred of the world's most important and influential speeches

Great Irish Speeches charts the changes in twentieth century Ireland through the speeches of those who shaped its destiny at home and abroad. Every major event, North and South is introduced and then described through the oratory of a contemporary leader. The subjects covered include the First World War, the Easter Rising, the War of Independence, the Civil War and the Second World War. Threaded throughout the book is the influence of the Catholic Church, the aspirations of nationalists and unionists in the North, and the way that others see us - from Winston Churchill to John F. Kennedy and Pope John Paul II.

Speeches explore a variety of political and social issues, including tax reform, the conservative movement, nuclear disarmament, and the growth of government

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