

## Roots and Wings Speech

Hello. My name is Matthew Barbee. Today, I will tell you about my past, present, and future.

My past has made me who I am today. I was born in a small town in north Florida. The nature in my hometown was very beautiful. When I was young, I loved to go swimming in the river near my hometown. Everyday after high school, I would go to the river with my friends and swim. At university, I studied English and theatre. Six years ago, I moved to Japan. I loved Japan and found my dream. When I was in Japan, I was a high school English teacher. In the present, I am working hard to have a successful future. Now, I am a graduate student at the University of Hawaii. As a student, I study and work hard everyday to graduate. Now, I also teach English at the Hawaii English Language Program. As a teacher at HELP, I love my students. HELP has many activities so students can enjoy life in Hawaii.

My future will be great because of my past and what I am doing now. In the future, I will return to Japan and teach English at a university. Five years from now, I will be married and have a nice job in Miyazaki. I want to live in a nice house and travel around the world. I especially what to travel to England and Italy. After thirty years, I will retire. I will move back to my hometown in Florida and relax on the beach everyday.

Finally, the experiences of my past gave me strong roots. My effort today helps me learn and grow. I will grow wings and soar into my future.

### REMEMBER:

- Eye Contact
- **MEMORIZE!!!**
- Use a big voice
- Don't speak too fast
- Stand up straight
- Pause at periods and commas ( . , )
- Use correct verbs and transitions
- **VISUAL AIDS** (3 pictures to show past, present, and future)
- **TWO MINUTES LONG**

<b>"Roots and Wings"</b> <b><u>SPEECH</u></b>	Name: _____				
<b>English</b> Stress Intonation Sentence Breaks	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Eye Contact</b> Memorized?	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Voice</b> Loud, Slow	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Presentation</b> Use of Visual Aid (3 pictures)	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Content</b> Past, present, and future. Correct verbs/transitions. 2 minutes	1	2	3	4	5
Comments: _____	<b>SCORE</b> _____ /15				