

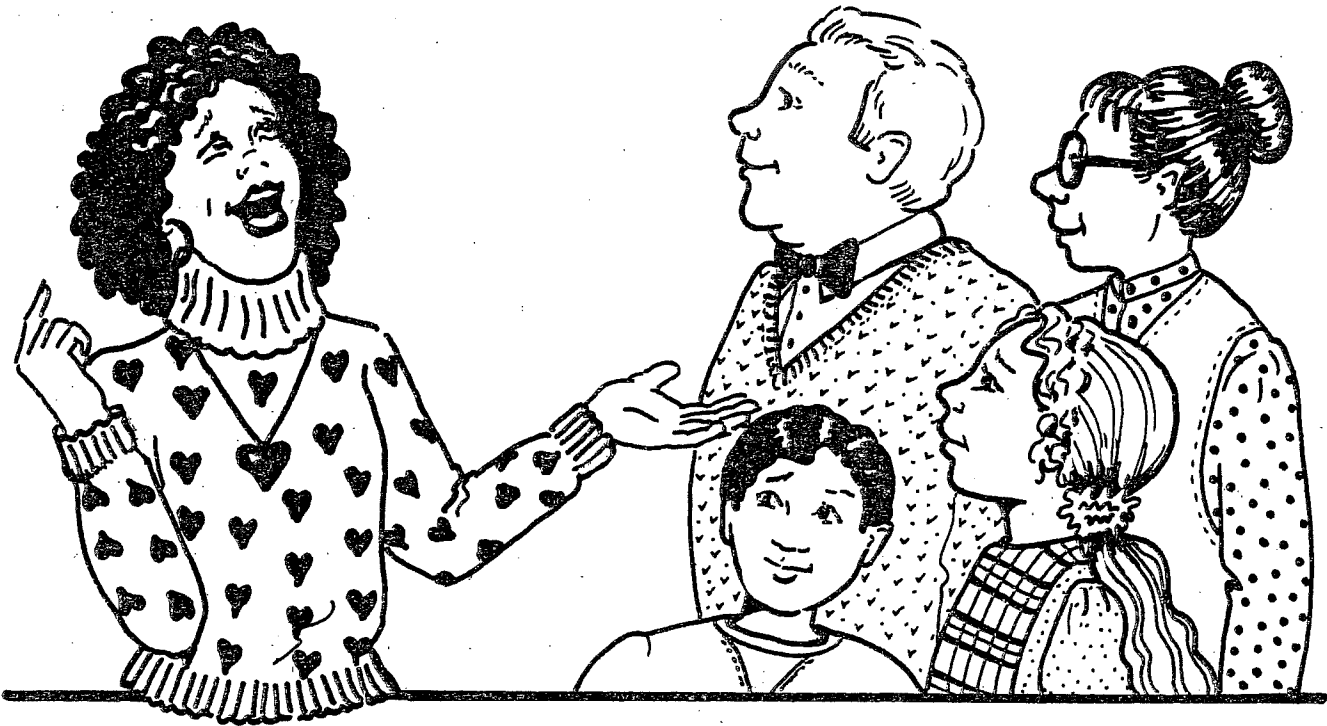
# Speaking

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Choose the one word in each line that means the same or most nearly the same as the first word.

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| 1. attest      | refute       | verify        | quiz         |
| 2. dictate     | order        | dictator      | record       |
| 3. dictum      | instruction  | diary         | commandment  |
| 4. eloquent    | articulate   | ordinary      | public       |
| 5. eulogy      | criticism    | praiseworthy  | tribute      |
| 6. loquacious  | lopsided     | talkative     | conversation |
| 7. testimonial | commendation | investigation | banquet      |



Complete these analogies.

8. \_\_\_\_\_ : charge :: acquittal : pardon
9. \_\_\_\_\_ : debatable :: incontestable : indisputable
10. \_\_\_\_\_ : record :: speak : listen
11. \_\_\_\_\_ : favorable :: censure : ill-favored

Tell whether each statement is true or false.

12. T F A talk show host needs good oratory skills.
13. T F If something is contestable, you had better not question it.
14. T F A dictum is a request to the government for money for schools.
15. T F If you dictate an order, you make a command.

Root Words	Meaning	Words You Already Know
dic	say, declare	dictionary
loc, log, loqu	speak, talk	ventriloquist
ora	speak	oral
test	bear witness	testify



## New Words

Definitions	Sentences
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**attest** (v) - to certify that something is true or genuine

I can attest to her innocence.

**contestable** (adj) - open for debate or dispute

While he was convinced he was right, his position was contestable.

**dictate** (v) - to speak and have someone else write down what is said; to decree

The doctor dictated his notes into a tape recorder for the secretary to transcribe later.

**dictum** (n) - a statement from an authority or a judge; a saying

The ruler's dictum concerning new taxes was unpopular with the peasants.

**eloquent** (adj) - having fluent, powerful, vivid, graceful or persuasive speech

His eloquent speech moved people to tears.

**eulogy** (n) - a speech or statement of praise for a person or event

The daughter delivered the eulogy at her father's funeral.

**indictment** (n) - a charge or accusation

The man's indictment was for four charges of forgery.

**loquacious** (adj) - talkative, continually talking

The loquacious boy was always getting in trouble for talking during class.

**oratory** (n) - skill in public speaking

Oratory was not her speciality; she did much better with the written word.

**testimonial** (n) - a written statement expressing a favorable opinion

The basketball player's testimonial increased sales for the product.

