

Group Informative Speech Main Idea Skeleton

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- I. Thesis
- II. Main idea 1 (list responsible party's name here)
 - a. One area you intend to discuss
 - b. A second area you intend to discuss
 - c. A third area you intend to discuss
- III. Main idea 2 (list responsible party's name here)
 - a. One area you intend to discuss
 - b. A second area you intend to discuss
 - c. A third area you intend to discuss
- IV. Main idea 3 (list responsible party's name here)
 - a. One area you intend to discuss
 - b. A second area you intend to discuss
 - c. A third area you intend to discuss

GIS Main Idea Skeleton Sample: this sample is based on a speech with the thesis, "The Red Cross steps in to help people and communities when disasters happen":

- I. Thesis: The Red Cross is a private organization that helps communities when disasters happen
- II. Many problems arise for individuals and communities when disasters happen (Alison)
 - a. Infrastructure challenges (roads, power, water access)
 - b. Shelter challenges (people's homes may be damaged or destroyed)
 - c. Health problems (hospitals overcrowded or closing, injuries, disease, etc.)
 - d. Food shortages
 - e. Looting/crime and other challenges (for completeness, you should list other things that happen during disasters but note that The Red Cross *is not* focused on addressing these concerns)
- III. The Red Cross addresses and resolves many of the challenges caused by disasters [note how a-d in III correspond to a-d in II; e should be taken care of in II] (Josephine and Gary)
 - a. The Red Cross helps restore infrastructure
 - b. The Red Cross provides shelter for those in need
 - c. The Red Cross addresses health-care issues caused by the disaster
 - d. The Red Cross provides food and water to those in need
- IV. How effective is The Red Cross at helping people after disaster strikes? (Pablo)
 - a. The Red Cross is successful in a number of areas

- b. The Red Cross's response in some areas has been less successful [note that you might highlight credible, negative critiques about the group in general here, i.e. how they manage their finances, etc.]