

Trial - Closing Statements

After all the witnesses have been heard then it is the time for the lawyers who prosecute and defend to sum up for the jury.

Your job is to write the closing speech for one of the sides.

Assume that Johnny has pleaded not guilty. The person accused of the crime is the defendant.

The lawyer who is trying to prove that the defendant committed the crime is the Prosecutor.

The lawyer who speaks on behalf of the defendant is the defense lawyer.

Speech Guidelines

- What are the three main arguments you will use to either prove Johnny's innocence (Defense Lawyer) or prove that Johnny is guilty (Prosecution Lawyer)?
- Now use these arguments to write a closing speech that you hope will influence the jury to see your side.