

## Giving an Oral Presentation: Useful Phrases and Sentences

### 1. Introduction

- Good morning / afternoon / evening everyone.
- Today, I'm going to talk about *the Irish in Canada*.
- I've prepared some handouts for you. I'll pass them around. / Please take one and pass the rest on / back.

### 2. Outline

- I've divided my presentation into *three* parts.
- \*I'll talk about ... things:
- \*There are ... parts to my presentation:
- First, I'll deal with *the immigration period, the number of people who came, and the reasons for emigration from Ireland*.
- Next, I'll talk about *the places where the Irish settled and some of the problems they encountered in Canada*.
- Finally, I'll discuss *the contribution of the Irish to Canadian society*.
- If you have questions, I'd be happy to answer them at the end of my presentation.

### 3. Presentation

- So, let me begin.
- First, *the immigration period, the number of people who came, and the reasons for emigration*.
- [Give details.]
- Second, *the places where the Irish settled and some of the problems they encountered in Canada*.
- [Give details.]
- Finally, *the contribution of the Irish to Canadian society*.
- [Give details.]

#### Visual Aid: Handout

- Take a look at the handout, please.
- If you look at *the first page, you can see the places where the Irish settled in eastern Canada during the 19th century*.
- The graph / table / pie chart shows *census figures for the years 1851, 1861, and 1871*.
- You can see that *the Irish made up about 20% of the population in the Maritimes and Ontario*.

#### Visual Aid: Map

- Please take a look at the board.
- Can everybody see?
- This is a map of *eastern Canada: the Maritimes, Quebec, and Ontario*.
- It shows *the places where the Irish settled during the 19th century*.
- The main areas of Irish settlement are shown in red*.
- As you can see, *many Irish settled in the larger cities of eastern Canada: mostly Halifax, Saint John, and Toronto*.
- That brings me to the end of my presentation. Thank you for listening.
- \*That's all. Thank you.

### 4. Questions

- Are there any questions?
- Mm. That's a good question / an interesting question / a difficult question.
- I'm not sure, but maybe if you take a look at [article, book title] by [author], you might find an answer.
- I'm not sure, but I'd be happy to look for an answer and get back to you.
- Does that answer your question?