

# Omaha Beach Memorial Remarks Speech File

## OVERVIEW

Look through the materials in your speech file. List three of the different documents that you see:

	<u>Title of Document</u>	<u>Date on Document</u> (if available)
1)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____

## EXAMINE THE SPEECH:

### (Document #1)

1. Look at the **speech**.

a. Why do you think it is written in such large letters?

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b. Why doesn't the text take up the entire page?

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c. What do you think this copy was originally used for?

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2. **Where** was this speech delivered? How do you know?

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3. What **date** was this speech delivered? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What is significant about this date?

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### READ THE SPEECH:

5. According to President Reagan, to what cause did the men who fought in the Battle of Normandy dedicate themselves to?

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6. List two people President Reagan quoted in his speech.

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7. What is a **liberator**?

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Why did President Reagan refer to the allied soldiers in the Battle of Normandy as liberators?

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8. According to President Reagan, what did the unity of the western world provide at the time the speech was delivered in 1984?

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### (Document #2)

1. From which office does this document originate? How do you know this?

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2. What do you think was the **purpose** of this document?

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What evidence did you use to draw this conclusion?

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3. At what time was this document sent? \_\_\_\_\_

### (Document #3)

1. What is the title of this document?

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2. What is the date of this document? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Why are there so many **names** written on this document?

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4. What, do you think, was this document used for?

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### (Document #4)

1. What is the date on this document? \_\_\_\_\_

2. From which office was this document sent? How do you know this?

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3. What specific **concern** is listed on the title page of this document?

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4. List two changes that were suggested in this draft.

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2) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Compare this document to the “Omaha Beach Memorial Remarks” that President Reagan delivered on June 6, 1984.

Were the two changes made?  Yes  No

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Do you think the changes should have been made?  Yes  No

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

### (Document #5)

Which of the quotes listed in this document was used in the “Omaha Beach Memorial Remarks”?

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### (Document Set #6)

1. Did President Reagan read any part of these documents? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you know?

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2. What was Lisa Zanata Henn requesting from President Reagan?

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3. How was Ms. Henn's request accommodated? Explain.

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4. What role did Ms. Henn's father play on D-Day?

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5. What is Ms. Henn's short story about? Summarize this in two or more sentences.

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6. Which is your favorite of Ms. Henn's stories about her father's experiences on D-Day? Why?

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7. Provide your favorite 2-3 sentence quote from Ms. Henn's story?

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8. Why was this your favorite quote?

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9. What do you think interested President Reagan in this story?

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### (Document #7)

1. Which institution issued the original document?

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2. What is this document?

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3. What is the date of this document? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What date was Private First Class Peter Zanata inducted into army service? How do you know?

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5. What date was Private First Class Peter Zanata sent to fight overseas? What date did he arrive? Why did it take so long to get there?

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6. Did Private First Class Peter Zanata fight in the Battle of Normandy? Where does it state this information?

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7. List the medals that Private First Class Zanata received.

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8. Why, do you think, this document was included in the speech file?

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