

# The Roaring Twenties Two-Minute Tech Talk

To fulfill our speech requirement and to prepare for our study of the American classic set in the 1920s—*The Great Gatsby*—we will conduct research on many aspects of life in that decade. You will each draw a topic to research and use Keynote to create a 2-minute tech talk to share with your classmates on that topic. Utilize 5 slides to share your information. Your 6<sup>th</sup> slide should be a Works Cited slide to list the sources you utilized for your presentation. It's called a **TWO-MINUTE** tech talk because **IT WILL BE TIMED** and that's **ALL** the time you'll have. You'll need to decide the slant you'll take on the topic. **PRACTICE** your presentation so that you don't run over or under the allotted time! You'll take notes on **THIS DOCUMENT** as your classmates present, and this information will be included on your *Great Gatsby* unit exam. **EVERYONE must be ready to present on Thursday 11/3 (Whites) or Friday 11/4 (Blues)**. I will draw from the same list of topics and you'll present **when your topic is drawn** or lose ½ credit for a late assignment. **Being ready** means having a **PRINT copy** of your 6 slides to turn in to me before you present. Be ready or lose credit!!

## Guidelines:

1. **CREATE 6 slides—no more, no less**. 5 slides must have info; **the 6<sup>th</sup> slide must be a Works Cited**. (DO NOT just list websites! Put them in MLA format using EasyBib!)  
DO NOT waste slide 1 as a title slide. You don't need your name on the first slide—we know you! Jump right into presenting background info on Slide 1.
2. EVERY slide must contain **AT LEAST ONE** 1920s PHOTOGRAPH--**NOT CLIP ART**-- related to your topic. That means you'll need to **copy and paste or click and drag** images from the 1920s websites you utilize. Be sure the photos represent **EXACTLY** what you are talking about and aren't just random photos of life in the 1920s!
3. EVERY slide must contain a **text box of information** related to your topic. Use bullets.
4. Utilize text that is **AT LEAST 24 point** so that it's easy to read. Don't use complete sentences, just bulleted points!
5. **SUMMARIZE** or **PARAPHRASE** the information you read on your topic. **DON'T** just copy and paste information!! Be selective—choose only what you believe is the **MOST** important information that we need to remember. Think TEST question!
6. Insert **MUSIC** or **SOUND only if it relates** to your topic!! **DO NOT** worry about slide transitions and animation. Add them **ONLY** if you have too much time on your hands. We're focusing on the information. That's **NOT** to say that you should not worry about making your presentation visually appealing!!
7. You have **ONLY** two minutes. That means that you can spend 24 seconds talking about each slide. You don't need to say anything for slide 6. You **WILL** be graded this time on the **LENGTH** of your presentation. That means you'll need to **PRACTICE it OUT LOUD** to time it!
8. The last part of the assignment is to write 3 short answer or fill-in-the-blank questions about the information in your presentation. See the attached sheet. These will be due when you present. You will ask your questions **AFTER** your timed talk.

# The Roaring Twenties Two-Minute Tech Talk Rubric

Speaker utilized 5 slides	5	4	3	2	1
Every slide contained at least one 1920s PHOTOGRAPH	5	4	3	2	1
Every slide contained a 24 pt text box of information	5	4	3	2	1
Content is specific, appropriate, thorough clear and concise	5	4	3	2	1
Presentation is visually appealing (text is readable, images are focused and clear)	5	4	3	2	1
Text has no errors in grammar, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling	5	4	3	2	1
Presentation is 2 minutes in length	5	4	3	2	1
Less than 1 minute=1					
1:00-1:15=2					
1:16-1:30=3					
1:31-1:49=4					
1:50-2:10=5					
2:11-2:20=4					
2:21-2:30=3					
2:31-2:40=2					
Over 2:40=1					



**Topics of the Twenties**  
**Take notes here as speakers present**

Mahjongg

Women's Fashion Revolution in the 1920s and Bobbed Hair

Radio in the 1920s (use this phrase to search) Radio debuted in March 1920!

Flappers

First Miss America Pageant/Beauty Pageants

First Winter Olympic Games

Duke Ellington (music would be appropriate)

18th Amendment, Bootleg whiskey and bath-tub gin

Speakeasies (what does that even mean?) and bootleggers

The Model T Ford

"1920s Dance Marathons" and The Charleston

Newspapers & Magazines of the 1920s: *Time*, *Reader's Digest* and *Saturday Evening Post* Magazines

Silent Films Become "Talkies" (mention "The Jazz Singer" in 1927)

The Black Sox Scandal

The Ku Klux Klan in the 1920s

Charles Lindbergh

Harry Houdini

The Scopes Monkey Trial/Clarence Darrow/John Scopes

Babe Ruth

Jack Dempsey

Louise Brooks

King Tut's Tomb discovered

Charlie Chaplin

Flagpole sitting

19th Amendment

Mickey Mouse/ Steamboat Willie/Walt Disney

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1920s Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Question:

Answer:

2. Question:

Answer

3. Question:

Answer