**Chapter 19**

**PREPARING TO PERSUADE**

**Chapter 19 Sample Speech Topics**

1. **Persuasive/*”Consider a Green Burial”***

Although this topic has not received much media attention, there is a small, but growing number of advocates for this practice..

<http://greenburialcouncil.org/home/what-is-green-burial/>

Students need first to understand what a green burial is and why it would be preferable to a traditional one.

<http://www.sevenponds.com/after-death/choosing-green-burial-or-natural-burial>

This site argues why a green burial is superior to a traditional burial.

1. **Persuasive/”*Why American Students Should Study a Foreign Language ”***

Not every school system requires students to take a foreign language in order to graduate. This speech topic persuades why it should be mandatory.

<http://www.cla.auburn.edu/forlang/resources/twenty-five-reasons/>

This site lists 25 reasons to study a foreign language.

<http://louisville.edu/modernlanguages/index.html/general-information/why-study-a-second-language.html>

This site describes various benefits that studying a foreign language provides.