**Chapter 22: Special Occasion Speeches**

**Discussion Questions**

1. **What is the relationship between the context and special occasion speeches?**
2. **What purpose does decorum serve in the process of preparing a special occasion speech?**
3. **How is a commencement address organized? How does this compare to the organizational structure of a speech of tribute?**
4. **What are the boundaries for a special occasion speaker? Are there any topics that are “off limit” or taboo? Explain.**
5. **If you were asked to create a speech of introduction for your best friend to an unfamiliar audience, what would your speech entail?**
6. **Should speakers refrain from expressing emotions when giving a special speech? How might the outward expression of emotion affect the speaker’s credibility?**