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[TED.com](http://www.ted.com) is an amazing resource. As students in AP Language, this site provides a bounty of great resources at your fingertips. TED Talks will be a consistent piece of the curriculum in this course. Throughout the year you will each choose a TED Talk to build a presentation around.

The process:

1. Sign up for a date to present. We will watch one student selected TED Talk a week.
2. Visit TED.com regularly. Sign up for email updates. Check out the [TED radio hour on NPR](http://www.npr.org/programs/ted-radio-hour/). Listen and watch as much as you can.
3. Choose your favorite talk for a presentation.
4. Watch it carefully and learn from it.
5. Develop a short presentation around your talk. You will show the talk to the class and lead your peers on a discussion of the content presented. **Develop key questions to examine after you show the talk in class**.
6. Write a 2 page analysis of the content. Turn in the paper on the day of your presentation.

For tips on writing this paper click [here](http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/725/03/).

1. Conduct a beautiful presentation that provokes discussion amongst your peers.

1. http://www.ted.com/pages/about [↑](#footnote-ref-1)