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## Introductory Speech Outline – "In My Life" - The Beatles

General Purpose: To inform

Specific Purpose: After hearing my speech, the audience will understand the meaning behind the lyrics of the Beatles song "In My Life"

### Introduction

I. Attention Getter: I'm sure all of you have heard of The Beatles before,

II. Connect to Audience: they were an English rock band during the late 60's and 70's, and are considered the most influential band of all time.

III. Credibility: Growing up, I often listened to old music like this. My parents, who immigrated from the Philippines, listened to this type of music when they were growing up, and if you know the Philippines, they are "stuck back in time." And they still listen to this music to this day, which is why I chose this song.

IV. Thesis: The lyrics of the Beatles' song, "In My Life" has particular meaning and importance to me.

V. Preview: And today, I want to talk you about that meaning and how it might relate to you as well.

Transition: For people who haven't heard of the song before, I'll play a small section of it for you right now so that you get the gist of it. [play 0:00-0:27] Now that you all know what the song is about, I'll tell you about what these lyrics mean to me.

### Body

I. In The Beatles' song, "In My Life", the lyrics talk about reminiscing about the past: the people you've met and the places you've been to.

II. How does this song relate to me?

A. This song means a lot to me because I have experienced many changes like the ones referenced in the song. I attended three different attendance areas while in elementary, middle, and high school. During these transitions from one school to the next, I lost many old friends but also made new ones along the way.

On top of that, despite visiting the Philippines only every other summer, I have made long-lasting memories with my relatives and cousins who live there. Throughout the years, all of us have changed a lot, and every time I visit, they are so much different from the last time I saw them.

Transition: I'm sure you guys have experienced changes like these throughout the course of your life,

III. - whether it is moving schools like me, losing a loved one, or even transitioning from high school to college or university.

#### Conclusion

I. Signal to Close: All in all,

II. Summary of main points: The song "In My Life" is a nice song that let you reminisce about the past.

VI. Restate thesis: Remembering the good and the bad memories of the past is important, as they all helped shape who you are today

III. Concluding remark: The Beatles have many songs like this, and I suggest you should listen to them some time.