

## **Speaking Topics**

# Mike Looney

#### **Topic**

Tenacity, Inspiration, Motivation, overcoming adversity, humor

#### **Program**

Similar to a good novel or movie, Mike's speech incorporates the use of a main plot and subplots.

#### **Plot**

Any worthy goal is worth striving for. Mike informs his audience that tenacity will inevitably triumph—as long as you can go one more day. Utilizing examples ranging from world leaders to his own family members, Mike's message inspires his listeners to "never give up."

### **Subplot**

By enjoying life's journey more than coveting the prize, Mike's listeners will never "be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat."

#### **Subplot**

Mike raises his listener's ambitions by providing examples of how we can trick the human brain to scale seemingly impossible heights, reminding us one victory along life's pathway will conquer numerous defeats.

Mike concludes with a passionate affirmation that "he who does not run the race fairly does not deserve to win" and reiterates that the value of a person's life is measured by its impact on others.