Speech to inform



Outline - Car Accident Purpose- The purpose of my speech is to inform my audience about my car accident, more specifically, how it happened, my injuries, and how it has affected my life.

Sources - Myself. HCMC Burn Unit in Minneapolis, Doctors, Nurses, Wright County Sherriff department and my family.

Pattern of Arrangement- Topical

Introduction- It was a great day and I was driving on my way back home from the beach. My friend and I were having a wonderful chat, unaware of what was going to happen next. The screeching of tire and a sound of an explosion was the only thing I could remember. The next time I opened my eyes, I was in HCMC Burn Unit. I felt like I died during the two weeks that I was in coma, and now, my life will be a totally different one. In a few minutes, I will be telling you what had happened on that fantastic day and how it turned to be a nightmare, yet a promise of a new day it has brought after waking up from that tragedy.

Transition - What had happened on that day was like a breathtaking scenario in a movie.

- I. How it Happened
- A. Driving home from the beach
- 1. Suddenly hit a tree
- 2. Car rolled over
- 3. Car caught fire
- B. Woke up at HCMC Burn Unit
- 1. Unconscious for a long time
- 2. Couldn't remember anything except the sound of the screeching tires
- 3. Wright County Sheriff told me the details

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Transition - The excruciating pain brought me back to my consciousness.

There was too much pain to bear with various surgeries I had to go through.

- II. Serious physical injuries I had to go through
- A. Left leg amputated
- B. 3rd burns over 50% of my body
- C. Left shattered wrist
- D. Degloved head closed head injury
- E. Broken back

Transition - The physical pains were no more than painful than what the

accident had done to me psychologically when I was already recovering.

- III. Psychological effect of the accident
- A. As a mother
- 1. Doing the household chores was difficult
- 2. Showing and keeping a good attitude to my son was too hard to bear
- amidst the physical pain
- B. As a family member
- 1. My parents had to support me financially
- 2. Their lifestyles have changed as I did.

Transition - On the other hand, the accident taught me more than anyone could ever teach.

- IV. The accident taught me how to value life.
- A. Thankful to be given another meaningful life to live.
- B. Value relationship with my son.
- C. Learned to be cautious.
- D. Be more patient.

Transition - I do not want to look back at the pains I and the horrible

memories of this accident. I only want to cherish each day I have and the courage I gained from this tragic experience.

Conclusion - The mere fact that I am still alive is already a great reason for me to be thankful for although each day means a challenge I need to overcome. I am a survivor and I know I can carry on. The experience has made me stronger not only for myself but for my family, especially for my son.