

「英語を本気でモノにするためのスピーチ朗唱法」
Barack Obama The Audacity of Hope 編 Part3
アクセント&イントネーション確認用シート

【このシートの使い方】

アクセントを傍点で打ってありますので、音声を聞きながら、手書きでイントネーション（抑揚）を書き込んでみましょう。また、発音しづらい箇所などに印をつけて、重点的に練習しましょう。

[Paragraph1]

John Kerry understands the ideals of community, faith and service because they've defined his life. From his heroic service to Vietnam to his years as a prosecutor and lieutenant governor, through two decades in the United States Senate, he's devoted himself to this country. Again and again, we've seen him make tough choices when easier ones were available. His values and his record affirm what is best in us.

[Paragraph2]

John Kerry believes in an America where hard work is rewarded; so instead of offering tax breaks to companies shipping jobs overseas, he offers them to companies creating jobs here at home. John Kerry believes in an America where all Americans can afford the same health coverage our politicians in Washington have for themselves. John Kerry believes in energy independence, so we aren't held hostage to the profits of oil companies or the sabotage of foreign oil fields. John Kerry believes in the constitutional freedoms that have made our country the envy of the world, and he will never sacrifice our basic liberties nor use faith as a wedge to divide us. And John Kerry believes that in a dangerous world war must be an option sometimes, but it should never be the first option.

[Paragraph3]

You know, a while back - awhile back I met a young man named Seamus in a V.F.W. Hall in East Moline, Illinois. He was a good-looking kid, six two, six three, clear eyed, with an easy smile. He told me he'd joined the Marines and was heading to Iraq the following week. And as I listened to him explain why he'd enlisted, the absolute faith he had in our country and its leaders, his devotion to duty and service, I thought, this young man was all that any of us might ever hope for in a child.

[Paragraph4]

But then I asked myself, "Are we serving Seamus as well as he is serving us?" I thought of the nine hundred men and women -- sons and daughters, husbands and wives, friends and neighbors who won't be returning to their own hometowns. I thought of the families I've met who were struggling to get by without a loved one's full income, or whose loved ones had returned with a limb missing or nerves shattered, but still lacked long-term health benefits because they were Reservists.

[Paragraph5]

When we send our young men and women into harm's way, we have a solemn obligation not to fudge the numbers or shade the truth about why they're going, to care for their families while they're gone, to tend to the soldiers upon their return, and to never ever go to war without enough troops to win the war, secure the peace, and earn the respect of the world.