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Voicers: An Oratorio for Speakers and a Listening Crowd

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Excerpts

This libretto is a collage of speeches
of the following politicians and activists/activist groups:

Alaa Saleh (anti-government protestant)
Alicia Garza (writer, civil rights activist)
Angela Merkel (Christian Democratic Union)
Barack Obama (Democratic)
Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (writer)
Donald Trump (Republican)
Gerhard Frey (German National People's Party)
Greta Thunberg (activist)
Heinz-Christian Strache (Freedom Party of Austria)
Jean-Claud Juncker (Christian Social People's Party)
Lech Wałęsa (Independent Self-Governing Trade Union „Solidarity“)
Malala Yousafzai (women rights activist)
Meghan Murphy (writer, journalist, feminist)
Nikki Haley (Republican)
Patrik Kobele (German Communist Party)
Renan Demirkan (writer, actress)
Sebastian Kurz (Austrian People's Party)
Strajk Kobiet (Poland)
Turgut Yüksel (Social Democratic Party of Germany)
Wladimir Putin (the Communist Party of the Soviet Union)
Wolfgang Dvorak-Stocker (publicist)
Xi Jinping (Communist Party of China)
Yanis Varoufakis (MeRA25)

Choose a character and sing your own political karaoke:

1. A proud, conservative populist

Loves terms such as “we/us”, he is addressing the pride in people, full of himself, tends to intonate as if singing.

2. An indecisive politician liking to repeat himself

This type likes to chew the words, to search for sounds. He gets lost in how it resonates and forgets about his own message. Once he gets back on track he actually talks reasonably. A bit military-industrial tone.

3. An optimist neo-liberal

She praises the growth, techno-optimist, a special friend of big corporations.

4. An angry type

A young, annoyed, irritated type. He thinks that earth and nation is a basis.

5. Voicing for the voiceless

Speaking in the name of the weak, the victims, those who can not speak for themselves.

6. A chorus of twenty man in black shirts.

They maintain a dark, bass sound on a deep “u”.

A proud, conservative populist:

We, the nation,
we the citizens.

Today we are not merely transferring power from one party to another, but we are transferring power and giving it back to you, the people.
The establishment protected itself, but not the citizens. Their victories have not been your victories. Their triumphs have not been your triumphs,
But this moment is your moment --- it belongs to you. (jockey's smile) This is your day.
This is your celebration, and this, is (dangerously) your country!

(warming up the voice)

You you you you you you!
the crowd, the mass, the new big pride, the nation, the citizens, the you you you you you!

We, the citizens.
We are one nation.
We share one heart,
one home,
one glorious destiny.

We will confront hardships,
but we will get the job done.

We will bring back our jobs.
We will bring back our borders.
We will bring back our wealth,
we will bring back our dreams.
We will build new roads
and highways and bridges and airports
and tunnels, and railways,
all across our wonderful nation.

We will shine
for everyone to follow.
We will be protected by God.
We will not fail.

An indecisive politician liking to repeat himself:

Dear Sir or Madam, dear guests, dear audience ...
I would like to extend a warm welcome to you.
.. and I am extremely pleased to be able to stand in front of you here and today.

Ladies and gentlemen,
... of course I do not want to miss it, all of you on behalf of those present and
to welcome everyone involved ...

Because I'm here in front of you tonight, in my role as ...
..and I say that without vanities ...

Dear guests ..
... that's why it's a very special honor for me ...
ladies and gentlemen...
... and not only because of ...

Dear audience
but also ...
... I would like to point out again how important ..
my dear audience ..
... because the most important thing is tonight
and I never tire of pointing this out
ladies and gentlemen

The time has come to heal the wounds. The time has come to bridge the gap that
separates us. The time for construction is here. (abstract sounds)

How nice - to be here and to be able to surf between all cultures.

Cultures are a permanent transit to a constantly reassembling future!

Dear Mayor,
Dear Sir or Madam
Dear Comrades, dear Guests,
Dear Friends, dear Visitors
Dear Mr President! Ladies and Gentlemen!
Madam President! Dear Colleagues!
Ladies and gentlemen, that is something absolutely worth striving for.

An optimist neo-liberal:

We have indeed made a progress.

Dear friends
You and me
the majority believe in it
that what we're doing here is
meaningful and important.

Therefore, I am also grateful
here in front of you
to be allowed to speak
and not anywhere else!

The numbers are satisfactory
Growth is promising
Unemployment rate is down
Deficit shrinks
Investments go up
we have wind in our sails
So we should continue as before
You all know the important keywords:
Banking union,
security union
digital single market

Second, we all have to abide by the rules
Follow the rules,
Follow the rules
I'm so happy to be part of this fantastic team of people who care!

An indecisive politician liking to repeat himself:

Comrades, officers, friends, I would like to extend a warm welcome to you!
All of you – air force, navy, comrades from control posts, special forces, the
Intelligence agency, communications and material procurement, military adviser
– all of you –
are in daily use, consistently and with the highest precision. For this I would like to
express my thanks. Special thanks also go to the female service personnel.
You deserve our deep respect for the many sacrifices you make every day

and of course we thank you in particular for your tireless efforts for our fatherland. Our country is proud of you. To all of you!

But the main thing is that we have the prerequisites for the beginning of a peace process. That could only be achieved through continuous, positive and constructive cooperation of all involved forces can be achieved. This is the way to secured peace.

Ladies and gentlemen, I am speaking to the Austrian people from this podium the greatest respect for his achievements.

Thank you for your service and commitment. Thank you very much. And I would like to expressly assure you once again that we appreciate it know how each of you did our duty to our country. Thanks a lot!

A proud, conservative populist:

Everyone is listening to you now. You are the crowd, you are the mass. You came by the tens of millions to become part of a historic movement, the likes of which the world has never seen before.

Your voice, your hopes, and your dreams and your courage will define our destiny.

An angry type:

For too long we have had to watch the politicians of our country cheat your own people. They only serve the elite. What about us? These supposed representatives of the people have forgotten their people. We will show you where we come from! We are indomitable street fighters and we will not be silenced! We will win. For our country, our culture and the future of our children.

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Too optimist neo-liberal:

The numbers are convincing
Steady growth
Unemployment is decreasing
Deficits shrinks
Investments are up!

Voicing for the voiceless:

First of all, I think that it's important to acknowledge how brave you all have been just in showing up tonight. I think that the fact that you are all here sends a powerful message, which is that people still believe in free speech, democracy, critical thought, and debate.

And we're all here, at 6:30PM on a Thursday night.

You're also parents worried about your children's futures. You're spouses who fear that you or the person you love will lose a job. You're workers worried about the rising cost of health insurance. You are neighbors. You are friends. You are the citizens who care deeply about this country and its future.

I want to pay my great respect to you. It is you who we need.

I believe deeply in our ability to succeed. I believe deeply in our creativity, in our courage, in our determination. Let us build the movement that says, "Not in our name."

(to the other leader)

You are free to share your opinions, you are free to believe whatever you like, whether it's that the earth is flat, or that cats are great pets, but you don't have the right to impose those beliefs on others under threat of violence or a jail sentence. You don't have the right to threaten me, silence me, or criminalize me for telling the truth.

(to the crowd)

You have suffered enough. They burned us in the name of religion, killed us in the name of money, jailed us in the name of nation.

We have not come here to beg world leaders to care. You have ignored us in the past, and you will ignore us again. You have run out of excuses, and we are running out of time. We have come here to let you know that change is coming, whether you like it or not.

An optimist neo-liberal:

Reform and practice tells us: we need to seek happiness for the people, to seek the revival of the nation. Our party stems from the people, is rooted in the people, for the benefit of the people, serving people wholeheartedly is the fundamental purpose of the party, committed to the people's livelihood, both by proposing and implementing the correct theory, line, principles and policies to lead the people forward, and people practice requires the creation and development to get forward, let the people share the fruits of reform, encouraging more people consciously join in the reform and opening up to modernization and fulfillment.

An angry type:

Comrades! It is no longer our country.
The land of our ancestors. Our fathers and grandfathers.
The country with its great millennial history.
If nothing changes radically, the German race will wipe itself out.
Let's get our country back.

Black Protest:

As long as we have a voice, we must use it!