

Closing Statement Template

This is just a general structure. The best closing statements will be uniquely worded, and surprising. Remember to address the jury directly (“you”), to keep the first person plural (we), and to refer to your opponents. Also, remember you are at the end of the case, and should be talking in the past tense.

Greeting: Barbara Cooper

Good afternoon ladies & gentlemen, and thank you for coming today.

I am part of the prosecuting team for today’s trial, let me introduce everyone standing before you, I am Ms. Barbara Cooper, we also have Ms. Jazzmin Haygood, Ms. Madison McMillian, Mr. Logan Rivera, Mr. Angel Figueroa & Mr. Mark Davis.

Today our goal is to proceed on to accumulate justice for the deceased men, murdered by Odysseus.

Reminder of Point of View: Jazzmin Haygood

On this day, we are prosecuting Odysseus in occurrence of the people he has killed. Murder is just one of the crimes he committed, but the most severe.

Explanation of why the opponent is not Right: Madison McMillian

We, the prosecuting team, believe that the opposing team, defending Odysseus is wrong. No man should have the right to take the life of another. We realize that conduct and actions of the suitors were wrong in mistreating his wife and son, but they did not deserve to be slaughtered.

Reminder of Evidence:

Barbara Cooper

The opponents team has shown you of how Odysseus killed people to save his family & reclaim his title as being ruler of Ithaca. We believe that is a pathetic reason to kill. He is guilty in the court of law, using Ancient Greece’s Draco Laws. We have shown you the blood-spattered sword found that was used to kill the fathers of children, used to kill the sons of men and women around Ithaca, used to begin a bloody massacre in a palace.

Angel Figueroa

Odysseus was alive & committing these foul crimes of murder during these times when the Draco Laws were used in Ancient Greece. The Draco Law System states that many crimes especially murder, were handled in the Death Penalty. If Odysseus was alive, then why wasn’t he sentenced with this penalty? Any other person, man or woman would be sentenced, why not he?

Barbara Cooper

Our testimony was written out by Mr. Rivera. He interviewed a suitor who hid during the times of Odysseus’ wrath. He found his way out & is safe & sound physically, but mentally & emotionally,

he is distraught.

(**Logan Rivera** Reads Testimony)

Mark Davis

Call for Action:

We plead to you judge & jury of this case to not let another murder case be dealt with a slap on the hand. The families and friends of these deceased victims deserve peace and justice for their loved ones. We can not continue on in a civilization where people assume it's okay to commit such a crime, it's sickening and continuing on each day. Prevent this from happening, for the lives of many will be saved.

Thank you.