**Rhetorical Precls**

In “I have a dream” Martin Luther King Jr., a preacher and civil rights activist who graduated with a doctoral degree in theology from Boston University, argues for the revised emancipation of African Americans during the year 1955.

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. His speech is a politically charged inspirational message to all citizens created in order to address perceived false equality and false freedom that plagues the African American population even after Abraham Lincoln signed the emancipation proclamation in 1863. King writes for an audience of government and all people with an interest or involvement in civil rights due to the controversial and political nature of his speech.

* Pathos is used consistently throughout and provides heavy emotional persuasion using the word we consistently
* “Now is the time to lift our nation from the quicksands of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood” This example of pathos comes early in the text after a brief introduction of the issues he believes they face and provides a feeling of need for justice and unification among the nation. This is a very powerful use of pathos because it can easily encompass the reader or listener to pay close attention and listen to his words further.
* “We can never be satisfied as long as the negro is the victim of the unspeakable horrors of police brutality” King says this after 3 passages talking about his ideologies and issues with America as it is, he uses pathos here to both back up his previous few passages and preface the next section of his speech, he creates a brutal image of oppression that will create an emotion of guilt that draws the reader to care about the issues of psychological and physical abuse against African Americans that he further explains in the passages following.
* Martin Luther King Jr. uses anaphora as a powerful tool of embedding his image and ideal image of America into the readers after drawing their attention and emotion using pathos. King’s emotional captivation mixes well with the brain drilling of visuals provided by the anaphora, he also uses them simultaneously in certain passages and it has a similar effect except that it drills the emotions into the readers brain whereas when pathos proceeds anaphora it drills his images and ideals of America instead.
* In the 2nd passage of page 5 he uses pathos and anaphora simultaneously and it does a solid job replacing a current popular emotion of despair with hope and faith, he does this by saying “With this faith” repetitiously followed by words of hope. Then after this passage he starts saying “let freedom ring” repetitiously followed by physical descriptions of a multitude of landscapes that characterize the USA, this provides an idea of the country being cleansed of racism and enforces that it is his movement’s ideal result.
* Finally Martin Luther King Jr almost separately uses logos to show what African Americans go through on a day to day basis in the USA, but it provides substance to the overarching emotionalism of the rest of the speech, Logos is only used as a means of providing a heavy touch of realism to the emotion he more heavily dives into

“We can never be satisfied as long as our children are stripped of their adulthood and robbed of their dignity by signs stating “For Whites Only.”, This is the most concrete example of logos and it provides light evidence that reinforces his emotional statements that are fully baseless without an amount of realism included. It is the last little thing he adds that strengthens his arguments to a level of remarkability.

Martin Luther King Jr. argues for a new level of freedom for African Americans in the year 1955.

* Pathos is used to captivate readers and listeners to listen to his words, building off that he uses anaphora to provide memorability to his words and finally uses logos to provide substance and realism to his arguments.
* These are super effective ways of creating an argument because his claims are controversial so the heavy emotion is necessary to show that he is serious, but then without real evidence his arguments are baseless so the use of logos is absolutely necessary because it without either it
* This speech is historically renowned for a reason and that reason is the amount of change and movement among politics in the USA that it sparked.

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