***Award Acceptance Speeches***

1. **Write "Thank you"**. Be sure to include the organization sponsoring the award, the individual(s) who nominated you, and those that have supported you.
2. **Write about how honored you are**. This should be about 1-2 sentences. For example: *"Receiving this award is such an amazing honor".*
3. **Write your thoughts**. Write any thoughts you have about the award. This should be 1-3 sentences. For example: *"I never thought I would win actress of the year, let alone work in one of Bob Smith's fantastic movies."*
4. **Write something inspirational, a quote from someone who made the award possible, or thoughts on the thing you won the award for**. It should be 2-3 sentences. For example: *"It was an experience to remember. Bob was a wonderful director and all of the other actors were very friendly and professional."*
5. **Transition to thanking**. This should be about 1-2 sentences. For example: *"But it wasn't just acting well that made this possible. I wouldn't be here getting this award without so many people."*
6. **Thank those who made it possible**. You could thank teachers, parents, co-workers, directors, etc. Remember to compliment each person and explain how they made it possible. This should be 1 long sentence. For example: *"I'd like to thank Mom and Dad for always being there and encouraging me, my agent John for getting me the part, Bob for never giving up, even when there were technical issues and the like, and everyone else in my life who made this moment possible for me."*
7. **End the thank yous**. End the thank yous with a general statement of how they helped. This should be 1 sentence. For example: *"I couldn't have done it without you guys."*
8. **Write something nice, including the award name**. This should be about 1 sentence long. For example *"I am so pleased to win Actress of the Year."*
9. **Wrap it up with thanks**. Make this very brief. For example: *"Thank you again!"*

*\*Remember, keep it short (under 90 seconds) and sweet, and get to the point. You want to be remembered as genuine and gracious.*