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Speaking for Truth Answer Key

Since this is a creative writing task, answers will vary. Strong responses should show:

Part I - Brainstorming

- Clear truth identified (e.g., fairness in school rules).
- Recognition of how manipulation might distort it (e.g., slogans like “rules are for losers”).
- Honest keywords (justice, respect, honesty, truth).

Part II - Sample Speech (Model)

“Friends, we live in a time when words are often twisted, but truth still matters. Honesty is not just a rule; it is the foundation of trust between us. When honesty is ignored, communities crumble and suspicion grows. History shows that lies have led nations into conflict, but truth has restored peace. Even in daily life, a lie between friends can destroy years of trust. That is why we must speak with clarity and resist the temptation to exaggerate. Real respect is built on words that match reality. I urge you today: let us choose truth in every conversation, so that dignity and freedom may endure.”