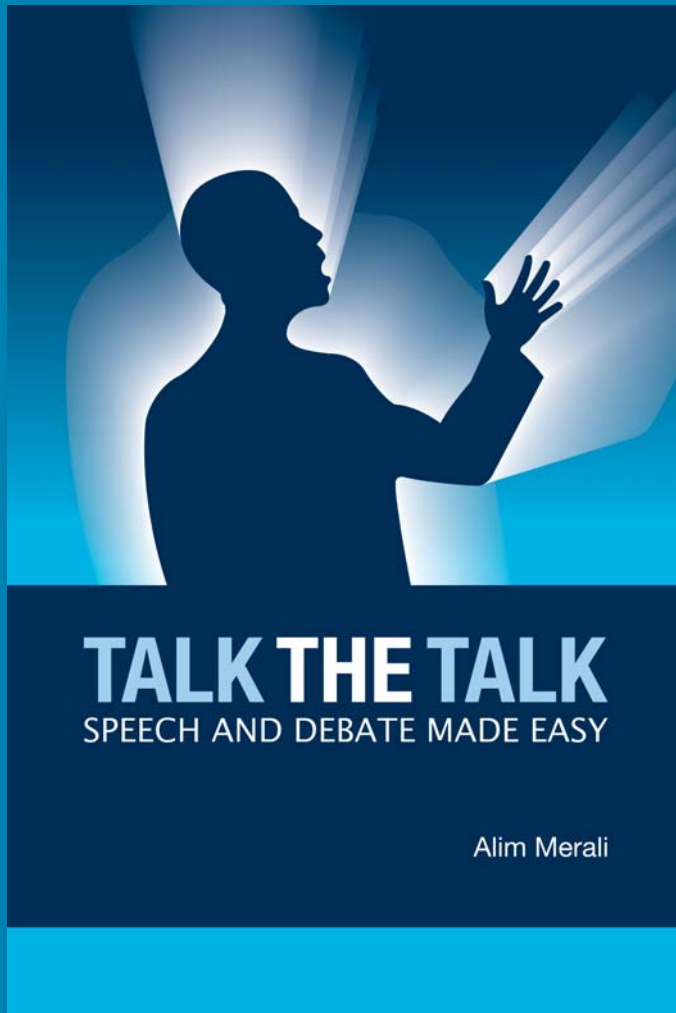


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## **Talk the Talk: Speech and Debate Made Easy**

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