

University of Buckingham Speech:

- Thank you to Buckingham University for the introduction.
- Happy to be the one to get you out of your regular class. Hopefully you didn't have too many pints last night, and we can keep you awake.
- Have to travel overseas to get a decent reception.
- Five boys joke.
- In 1636, America's oldest university, Harvard, was founded. Modeled after the English University Model. Graduates include John Adams, John Quincy Adams, Teddy Roosevelt, FDR, JFK, George W. Bush, and current President.
- As America's education system prospered, so did our nation.
- In 1967, Buckingham College took a page from American tradition of private education.
- Dr. J.W. Paulley: "Is it not time to examine the possibility of creating at least one new university in this country on the pattern of those great private foundations in the USA, without whose stimulus and freedom of action the many excellent state universities in that country would be so much poorer."
- Transition is emblematic of a core principle of education—innovation prospers when great minds are brought together.
- Today, we face challenges from the very globalization that has allowed us so much prosperity post-WWII.
- By 2030, China will have 200 million college graduates—more than the entire US workforce. By 2020, India will be graduating four times as many college grads as the US.

- Our education system excels in its ability to foster creativity, but without foundational skills, particularly STEM, we will be at a disadvantage.
- UK has recognized this and established the National STEM Centre. Have seen an 18% rise in undergraduate STEM students over last decade.
- For those of you still undecided on field of study: recent study found 65% of grads with Bachelors' degrees in STEM fields earn more than Masters' grads in non-STEM fields, and 47% earn more than PhDs in non-STEM fields.
- Many of you may ask why education is important to the Chairman of the Intelligence Committee.
- 20 kilometers down the road from here sits Bletchley Park, where during WWII, the greatest minds of British mathematics, led by Alan Turing, were brought together to break the German Enigma Code.
- Churchill said Turing made the single greatest contribution to the war. Supreme Allied Commander Eisenhower declared the code breaking to be decisive to Allied Victory.
- Today we face many threats to national security. Having superior education is at the forefront of meeting these challenges.
- August 24th marked 200th Anniversary of British burning Capitol and half of DC to the ground. We have come a long way since. And we forgive you.
- Our bonds date back to early 17th century. Relationship has had its ups and downs, but we are the closest allies and closest of friends.
- 23 Presidents have sat at the Resolute desk, gift from Queen Victoria.
- Believed that 23 percent of US population can trace ancestry to UK.

- 1944 Winston Churchill speech invoked concept of “special relationship.”
- Strategic partnership between US and UK was forged on battlefields of WWI and WWII and deepened by shared burden during Cold War. Partnership continues today.
- Special relationship isn’t just about common enemies. It’s about common values and goals.
- Our vision of a free and prosperous world isn’t shared by leaders in places like Beijing or Moscow or in the dark corners where al-Qa’ida and ISIL lurk.
- Fight against al-Qa’ida is not yet finished.
- First covert action/war.
- March 1785, Libyan Ambassador to Jefferson and Adams: “It was written in the Koran, that all nations which had not acknowledged the Prophet were sinners, whom it was the right and duty of the faithful to plunder and enslave.”
- ISIL aspires to become leader of global jihad.
- We must resolve to roll back terrorist safe havens.
- Lady Thatcher: “Terrorism attacks free societies and plays on those fears. If those tactics succeed, terrorism saps the will of free peoples to resist.”
- Terrorism is not only threat. Russian aggression.
- Beijing follows a similar and equally irresponsible model.
- Territorial disputes in East Sea and South China Sea.

- China's relentless economic cyber espionage campaign.
- US and UK must unite to fight the ideology of the planned authoritarian regimes of Russia and China. In these regimes, citizens have no recourse.
- Thank you for support of British people.
- Battle of the Bulge 60th Anniversary story.
- Churchill: "Here we are able to stand together and work together for righteous causes, we shall always be thankful, and the world will always be free."
- I believe that with every fiber of my being.
- Thank you and best of luck to each of you.