INTRODUCTION of Jennifer Phillips

Jennifer Phillips is the author of a range of books both fictional and non-fictional and has won awards for her academic writing in Education and Theology.

- 1. Her name first began appearing in newspapers for her literary and artistic abilities when she was only 12 and she has since been named a "true Multitalent" by renowned poet Dr. Aprilia Zank.
 - At 14 she was invited to join the Australian Olympic training squad.
 - She achieved the highest possible marks for Art Theory and Practice in the Junior State exams.
 - She graduated in the top 5% of university students.
 - She was awarded the Victoria Gibbons prize for academic excellence.
 - She is also a poet, webmaster, songwriter, teacher, artist and lay preacher.
- 2. Jennifer started her career as a primary school teacher and went on to teach all ages: preschool, High school, College, CIT and adults. She developed a very successful early reading course and was an early adopter of new media in her teaching, art, poetry and publications.
- 3. She has been President of the ACT branch of the Australian Federation of Graduate Women and a photo media group, as well as committee member and active participant on a range of other voluntary organisations.
- 4. Jennifer is a devoted family woman and Christian:
 - She has been married to her husband, Peter since 1977.
 - They have three adult daughters.
 - She makes her home on Australia's Gold Coast.
- 5. She is here [this morning/this afternoon/this evening] to speak to us on the topic of [speech title]. Please join me in welcoming Jennifer Phillips.