

## Sample Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech

What a great and proud honor of winning the Nobel Peace Prize. There are no thanks for an honor this high. This is such an honor for the many men and women that help bring peace to this wonderful state on a daily basis. I am only one who helped others realize their differences were not so different. I feel that the real winners of this award are the people of California, who raised above all their differences to come together and drink as one.

Resolving the Great Alcohol Divide however was a great feat. The northern Californians are very proud of their wine, and the Southern Californians are proud of their beer. Neither admitting that the other is an acceptable dinner, relaxing or party beverage. Being such connoisseurs in each of their respective beverages it was very hard for them to see the other side, see that wine should flow through the state like the refreshing Colorado River and see that beer should foam for all just as the ocean shore (simile). The folks in Northern California just felt that the beer drinkers were loud, rowdy and disrespectful. Where the beer drinkers of Southern California just felt that the wine drinkers were **stuffy, snobby and just plain snooty (alliteration)** to others. Neither wanted to enter the others' world and be like them.

Realizing the enjoyment that can be gained for both parties I embarked on a journey to bring them together. *To show all Californians new drinking options for dinner, parties and just plain partying. To show all Californians that your glass doesn't have to be small and dainty or only have a handle, and to show Californians that it is ok to mix hops and grapes (anaophora)*. To be liberated to make the choice to do so and not to be judged on that decision. You can be a big strong man and have a glass of wine to relax, and be a small female and pop the top off a cold one. It was time to show Californians that **imbibing impediments (assonance)** no were no longer needed and that we can all drink as one.

The great Beer and Wine festival of the middle was the breaking point, the point for all to come together and mix as one. To sip wine and guzzle beer, and see both sides of the glass. Wine drinkers saw the richness in yeast and barley and realized it wasn't just for bread, where beer drinkers realized grapes were more than just a snack. The festival of the middle was the place that all realized that beer or wine, you could still be who you want to be, and either will make you loud, rowdy, disrespectful and just plain drunk. The content in the glass showed no discrimination on whom it allowed to tell your real feelings, kiss that girl you never would have or pass out on the lawn because of having too much. The festival of the middle brought down those barriers.

With the barriers down and the divide open and the people of California drinking merrily parties will be richer bars will be fuller, and glasses will never be empty. Wine and beer drinkers alike can mix in new social circles that now include both, and no longer discriminate against each other. So I again thank the people of California for leaving these differences behind and opening the drunken door between each other, and learning to drink as one.