

Definition

 A presentation is a means of communication which can be adapted to various speaking situations, such as talking to a group, addressing a meeting or briefing a team.



Presentation skills

- Following are the steps include in preparing effective presentation:
- ✓ Plan
- ✓ Prepare
- ✓ Practice
- ✓ Present



Planning



Planning

Planning usually include following questions:

- Who is your audience?
- Why are they there?
- What is your goal?
- How long will it be?
- Where will it take place?



Prepare



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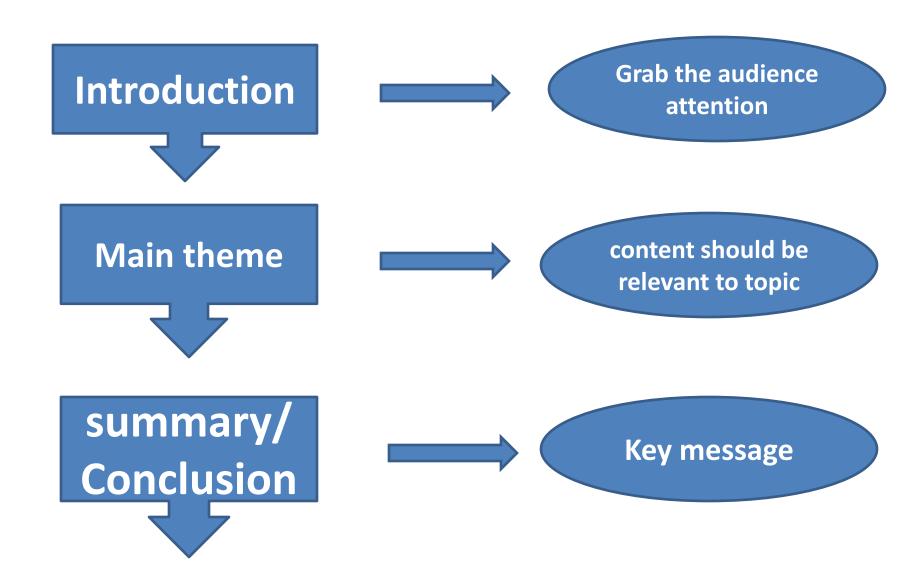
- Following points must keep in mind while preparing:
- √ Structure
- ✓ Prompt
- ✓ Visual aids
- ✓ Voice
- ✓ Appearance
- ✓ Style
- ✓ Questions



Structure

- Write your presentation in this order:
- ✓ Objective
- ✓ Beginning or introduction
- ✓ Main content
- ✓ Summary, conclusion and recommendations
- ✓ Questions

Structure



Prompt

- Short bullet points, key words only.
- Put your entire prompt onto your power point slides.
- These prompt are for you.



Visual aids

- Use simple fonts, colors and graphs.
- Use images and clipart.
- 3 to 7 bullets per slide.
- Don't over crowd your slides, it will not look professional.
- New or different visual aids wake people up.

Voice

- Louder and clear than your normal pitch.
- Vary pitch and volume.
- Over emphasis



Appearance

- Dark colors read as businesslike.
- Wear comfortable shoes to weight your feet evenly.
- Allow yourself to move a bit.
- Look confident.



Professional dress code



Professionals vs. non professionals



Style

 You already have a style don't try to copy others.

Use words and sentences you use in normal days.

• Be yourself.

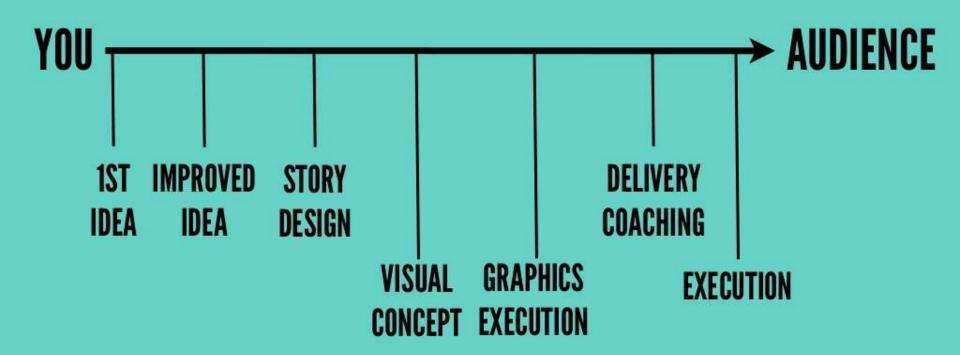


Questions

 Sketch an idea that what kind of questions audience may ask.



The PREPARATION phase

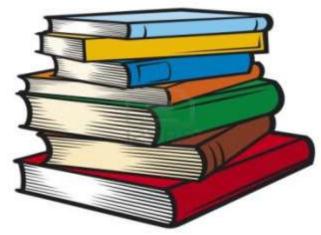


Preparation material

 You can use following items to make the content of your presentation:

- √ Handouts
- ✓ Personal notes
- ✓ Internet
- √ Visual aids







Practice

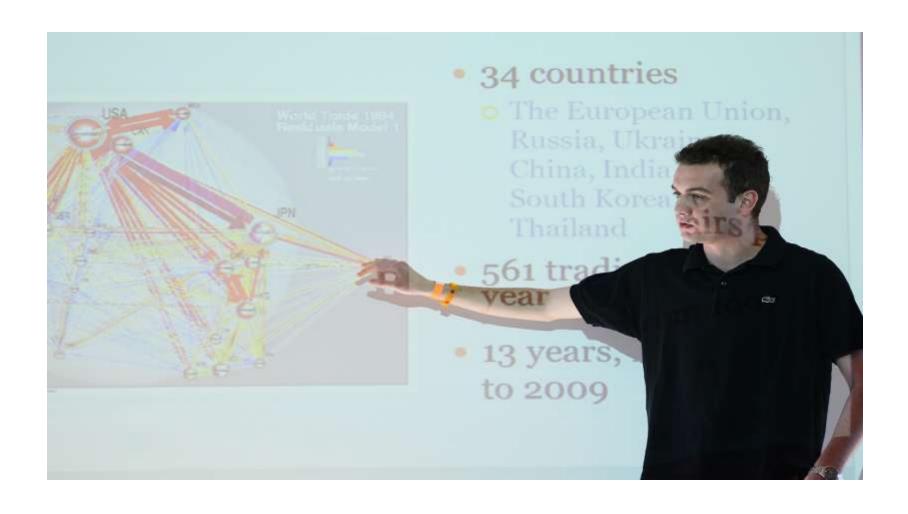


Practice

- Rehearse all points what you prepare.
- Rehearse with all visual aids and handouts.
- Practice again and again to manage time.



Present



Present

- Make a strong start.
- Engage the audience in first 2-3 minutes.
- Show your passion through your movements and gestures.
- Make an eye contact.
- Don't forget to smile as well, unless your topic is very grim.

Speaker's impact



Text 7%



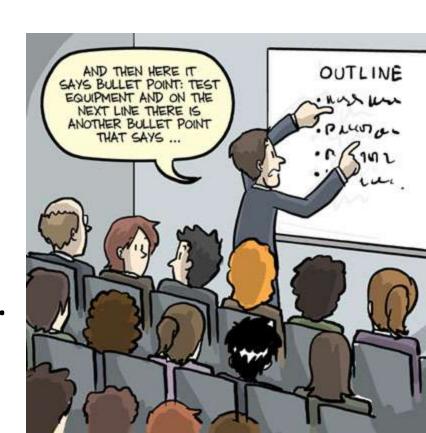
Vocal 38%

Flaws in presentation



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- Lack of experience.
- Lack of enthusiasm.
- Lack of practice.
- Lack of related material.
- Lack of confidence.
- Hesitation.
- Ambiguity in the results that you want to conclude.



Factors for successful presentation



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- Be over prepared.
- Rehearse and practice.
- Grip on your topic.
- Know your subject.
- Be positive.
- Avoid stress.



Conclusion

- Always prepare
- Channelize your fear
- Interact with your audience



