Introduction to Presentations

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Delivering a Bad Presentation

- What do you think are some of the features of a bad presentation? Discuss and write down a list.

- Watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ATfY8dvbuFg

- Did the presentation include all the items in your list?

Delivering a Good Presentation

- What would a good presentation look like?

- Watch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5utoLhjUuAI

- Compare and contrast the good and bad presentation and write down a list of their features.

Good vs. Bad Presentation

- Logical structure
- Clear and to the point
  - Using phrases instead of full sentences
- Good use of visuals
- Speech -> Presentation

- interaction with the audience (eye contact)
- practice before
- fit the time frame

- Incomprehensible
- Too long/short
  - Wordy
- Too many visuals (or not enough)
- Reading the information

- not audible enough
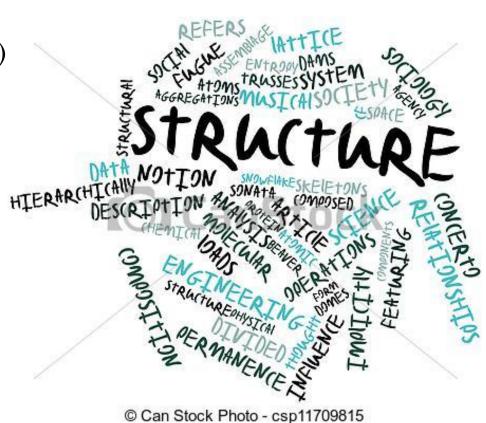- speaking slowly or too fast
- Simply boring

Presentations: Before You Start...

- Who is your audience?
- How many people are in the audience?
- What media are you using?
- What technology is available?

Presentations: Introduction

- What should a good introduction include?
  - Topic
  - A good joke
  - Reason why you're presenting
  - Outline of the presentation
  - Contextualization
  - Introduction of the presenter
  - Results

Structure

- Introduction 1 (~2 minutes)
- (Introduction 2) (~4 minutes)
- Main Body
- Conclusion (2-3 minutes)

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Structure

Introduction 1

- Who are you?

- What are you going to talk about?

- How are you going to talk about it?

- Why is it important?

Structure

Introduction 2

- Motivate audience
  - Emphasize goal and importance
- Background/Terminology
  - Provide greater detail
  - Contextualize
  - Your own motivation

Structure

Main Body

- Bring out the facts

- What you did and how did you do it

- Significance

Structure

Conclusion

- Summarize your main points

- Purpose

- Discuss current work/open problems

- Indicate your talk is over

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