

Unscripted Presentation Exercise

Exercise for students to do on their own.

Overview:

This exercise is designed to build skills in delivering a successful speech or an oral presentation.

Instructions:

1. Pick a topic that you know a lot about it and you are confident to talk about
2. Choose a group of people you want to share your knowledge with
3. Without spending a lot of time thinking about what to say, get ready to talk about the main things that are important for the audience to understand your topic
4. Taking into consideration the main elements in delivering a successful oral presentation (please see the attached list) set your video camera/phone and record yourself while you talk about your topic
5. Having in mind that you only have 5 minutes, try to start and finish your mini presentation within that time
6. When you are done, watch the video of yourself and make notes of how you projected your voice, eye contact with your audience, hand gestures and facial expressions, tone of your voice, confidence in your speech, etc.
7. Make a list of the good things and the bad things of your presentation and write an assessment report of one page
8. Redo the presentation by recording yourself again and see if you made any improvements