



Developing a Demonstration

- Choose a topic that you are interested in.
- Research for your demonstration in a variety of locations. Learn all you can about the subject of your demonstration. Store information on index cards and then put them in order when you go to write your speech.

Parts of your Speech

-Introduction

The introduction should be original and brief. Get peoples attention with catchy sayings or phrases. A quote or statistic on your subject is a good way to catch people's attention. State what your demonstration is about and introduce yourself. Lead into your topic by telling why you chose the topic.

-Body

Need to have 3 or 4 main points about your topic with supporting statements about the topic.

-Conclusion

Summary of the information in your demonstration. Restate the major purpose and bring the speech to an end.

Visuals

1. **Pre Plan-** draw out your poster on a sheet of paper in pencil before you start on your actual poster. Plan all posters before starting any of them.
2. **Balance-** keep the main object or idea near the center of the poster. Don't crowd things in one area of the poster and leave the other areas blank.
3. **Color-** use darker or brighter colors for the letters, main picture of drawing. Keep the background colors light.
4. **Size and Proportion-** size of poster should be large enough for audiences to see but small enough to be handled. Objects and lettering should be large enough to be seen from the back of the room. Everything should be the right size or proportion according to the other objects in the picture. Ex. Don't draw a dog bigger than his dog house.

5. **Lettering**- always use guidelines to place letters evenly on the poster. Keep the letters centered and straight. Check for grammar and spelling before beginning to draw or paste letters.
6. **Practice**- practice standing to the side and handling your visuals. Practice setting up posters and other materials.

Present your best

1. **Present your best personal appearance**- clothing should be neat, clean, comfortable, and appropriate for your demonstration. Hair should be neatly combed and out of your way.
2. **Present your best facial expression**- smile when you begin your demonstration and make eye contact with your audience.
3. **Present your best speaking voice**- your voice needs to be pleasant and calm. Speak loudly enough that everyone can hear you but do not scream. If you are nervous take a few deep breaths to calm down. Vary the tone of your voice to avoid being monotone. Watch for correct pronunciation and correct English. Don't use words that are too hard to say.
4. **Present your best posture**- stand up straight. Stand with one foot slightly in front of the other.