Demonstration Speech Expectations

Time: 5-7 min
Speech grade: Max Score is 100/100 points

Basics

Present an in-class extemporaneous speech in which you integrate a visual aid (poster, Prezi, brief video) to explain a concept that is directly related to one of our semester readings. Presuming that this basic expectation is met, the speech will be assessed according to these criteria:

Intro

• First words grab audience attention; thesis statement and forecast (these are separate items) are clearly and succinctly stated.

Organization

• Transitions point backward and forward. (Connect points to each other in a logical manner.)

• Outline is professional and complete. (Full-sentence, follows rule-of-division, rule-of-subordination, rule-of-parallelism)

Delivery

• Gestures are evocative and natural.

• Vocalics are dynamic and professional. (Employ variety in rate, pitch, volume, phrasing, and emphasis.)

• Eye contact engages most/all audience members. (Deliver one idea per person.)

• Visual aid illustrates complex ideas.

Credibility

• Oral citations are complete and properly integrated.

Outro

• Review provides a specific summary of three main body points; last words are thought provoking.

Please let me know if you have questions about these criteria.