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Impromptu Speaking

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- Public Speaking
- Fluency Practice
- Communication Skills
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Impromptu Speaking

Impromptu speech is an **unplanned presentation** delivered with **little to no preparation time**

How is it useful?

- **T**he ability to speak on the spot without preparation
- Builds immense confidence
- Enhances your critical thinking speed
- Helps communicate clearly under pressure
- Trains our brain to organize ideas instantly and **eliminates hesitant filler** words like ”um” and “uh”, “yeah” “like” etc.






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Step 1

Taming the Panic

- Audience doesn't expect a polished, poetic essay, they expect a coherent thought.
- Power Pause- go against your nature of instantly starting to speak- stand silently, breathe, and count to three before you start speaking
- If we stutter or misspeak, DONOT worry - "smile", correct it calmly, and keep moving. The audience mirrors the speaker's emotional state–if we are not rattled, the audience won't be either.



Step 2

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Structural Frameworks

After getting a topics, what should be our approach to prepare for the extempore??

- Opinion/ Arguments (”In today’s rapidly shifting economy, is it better to be a master of one specific skill, or a ’jack-of-all-trades’?”)
- Concept / Trends (”In a world where generative AI can instantly answer any factual question, the value of ’knowing facts’ has plummeted. What does it mean to be an truly educated person today?”)
- Controversial topics (”Should governments pass a strict, irreversible global ban on ’designer baby’ technologies to prevent the creation of a genetically engineered upper class, even if it means halting breakthroughs that could permanently eradicate hereditary diseases?”)
- Descriptive topics / events (describing any item or event)

Step 2

Method A: The P.E.R.P. Method (Best for opinions/arguments)

- Point: State your main thesis clearly.
- Explanation: Explain why you hold this view.
- Real-World Example: Tell a quick story, cite a fact, or use a personal anecdote.
- Point: Restate your opening view with a summary twist.

Method B: The Chronological Grid (Best for concepts/trends)

- Past: How did this topic look a decade ago?
- Present: Where do we stand with this topic right now?
- Future: Where is this heading, or what needs to change?

Method C: The Pendulum (Best for controversial topics)

- Side A (Pros): Acknowledge the merits of one side of the argument.
- Side B (Cons): Pivot to the counterarguments or downsides.
- The Verdict: Offer a balanced, nuanced conclusion that bridges both sides.

Method D: The 5 Ws (Best for descriptive topics/events)

- Who is affected? | What is the core issue? | Where/When does it matter? | Why should we care?

Tips and Tricks

Think Cleverly

- When you have received the topic, analyse how will you present your knowlegde about the topic instead of trying to gain more information.

Tips and Tricks

Tactful Time-Buying

You can buy processing time without using filler words (”um,” ”ah,” ”like”) by using these phrases:

- “That is a question that hits at the very core of how we live today...”
- “When we look at a topic like [Topic], we are really looking at a mirror of our society...”
- Repeating and validating the prompt: “Should artificial intelligence be regulated? To answer that, we have to look at...”

Tips and Tricks

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Not a Debate

- There’s no need to choose sides, if you have to speak for or against the topics. Describe the information or knowledge that you have in a seamless way

Tips and Tricks

Facts! You have a chance to WIN!

- If you have received a topic about which you have factual data, this will give you an upper hand as you will be able to present not just opinion, but truth about the topic.

Tips and Tricks

Art of the Pivot

If we get a topic we know absolutely nothing about, remember to pivot to a related area where we do have knowledge.

- Example: ”The economic impacts of **deep-sea mining**.”

The Pivot: ”While the technicalities of deep-sea mining are best left to marine biologists, the core issue here is how humanity balances short-term corporate greed with long-term environmental stewardship...” (Suddenly, they are giving a speech on environmental ethics, which is much easier to talk about).

Example



The Chapstick / Lip Balm

In a world full of harsh environments and biting cold, people will try to dry you out. Don't change the weather. Just apply your armor, stay smooth, and never let the world chap your spirit.

We invest billions in cybersecurity to protect our data, yet we leave our most vulnerable asset—the gateway to our speech—completely exposed to the elements. This isn't cosmetics, it's a bio-shield for the most powerful tool you own: your voice.

Example



A Set of Keys

We spend years staring at locked doors, waiting for someone to open them for us. Look at your hand. You're already holding the metal. Stop waiting for permission to enter your own future.

It weighs less than an ounce, but it dictates exactly where you can sleep, what you can drive, and what you can secure. It's not a piece of jagged metal, it's physical authorization of human freedom.

Thank You