

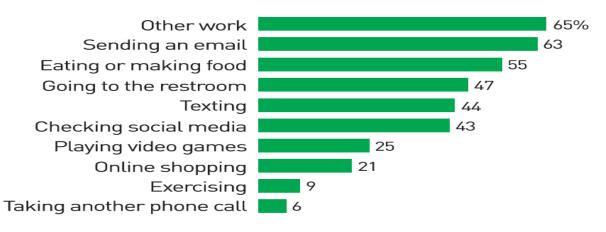
ENGAGING and INFLUENCING LISTENERS

Communicating Your Message with Impact

99%

of people multitask in virtual meetings

WHAT ELSE ARE EMPLOYEES DOING DURING A CONFERENCE CALL?



Source: Intercall - HBR.org





VIRTUAL TIPS



How do you communicate?





Engaging **Efficient** Easy to Understand

Engaging



Question

How long do you have to grab attention?
You answer...

a) 30 seconds

b) 1 minute

c) 10 seconds

d) 7 seconds



Question

How long until they tune out? You answer...

a) 30 seconds

b) 3 minutes

c) 1 minute

d) 20 seconds

WRITE THIS DOWN

If the fire alarm went off and your audience could only hear one



YOUR TURN



DON'T BURY THE LEAD





OPENING REMARKS

- Story/anecdote
- Example
- Powerful ###
- Strong statement
- Rhetorical question
- Cite research/context
- Problem/issue/challenge



Efficient



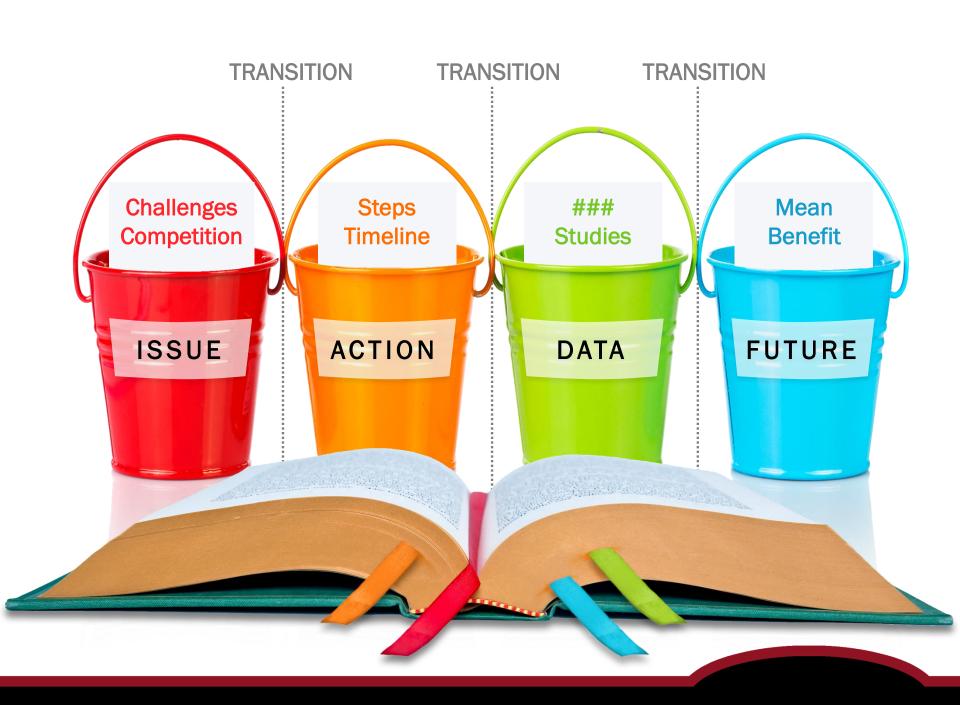




What People Remember after a 10 minute Presentation







TRANSITIONS

- "We've talked about Point A. Now let's think about Point B."
- "Based on what you've just heard, you might think that X is true. But it's not. In fact, Y may be your best option and here's why."
- "Now that we understand the potential market, let's take a look at time lines."
- "Shifting gears, let's move on to..."

F-E-A-S-T

Facts

Examples

Analogies

Stories

Third Party

Re-engage People Every 10 minutes

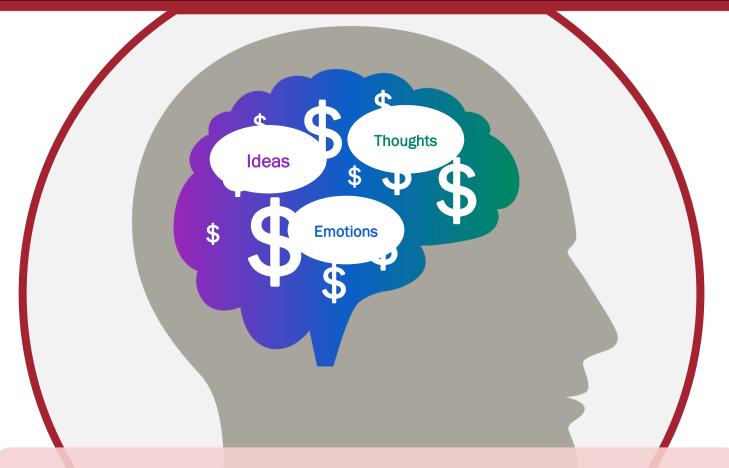


Easy to Understand



WHAT MAKES A MESSAGE STICK

Telling a story



Research shows people are more likely to donate to a cause after hearing an impactful story

YOUR TURN



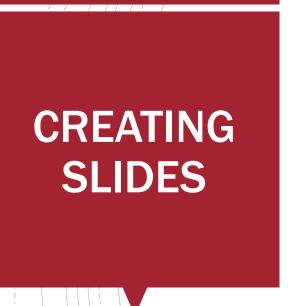
CLOSING A MEETING

Take away? Value to them

End with question to gauge next steps

Clarity/agreement moving forward



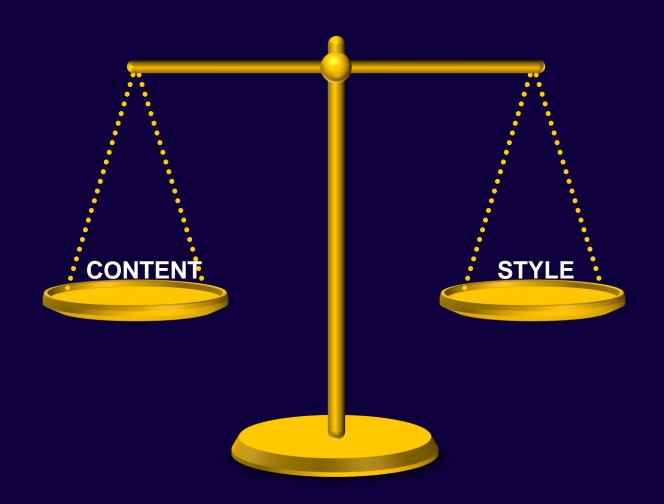


- Create content first
- What's the story?
- Title: Headline BIG idea
- 3-5 key points
- Minimize words/maximize pictures
- 2 sets of slides
- Provide details in handout
- Large font/white space
- Slide follow you

DELIVER SLIDES

- Most important point first
- 2-3 key supporting points
- Talk, don't read
- Be a director
- Practice with/without
- Out loud
- Two sets slides
- Make messages relevant







SHARE YOUR INSIGHTS

What am I trying to communicate

This is what you need to know

2-3 key points

Mean to them? So What? Care?

Actions to take

QUESTIONS



PERSON WHO TALKS TOO MUCH

- Reframe comments and direct question to the group
- Tell person opinion is valued, want to hear from others as well

ARGUMENTS

- List both sides of argument on chart. Group develops pros/cons
- Tell people to focus on ideas/facts, not on individuals
- Refer to outside expert/objective party

UNCLEAR COMMENTS

- Ask person to give example or share data/facts
- Re-state points to verify what the person is saying

INTERRUPTER/OFF TRACK

- Listen. Do not react.
- Summarize points to let them know they've been heard
- Ask how their point relates to subject at hand
- Say need to move on and can discuss after meeting



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