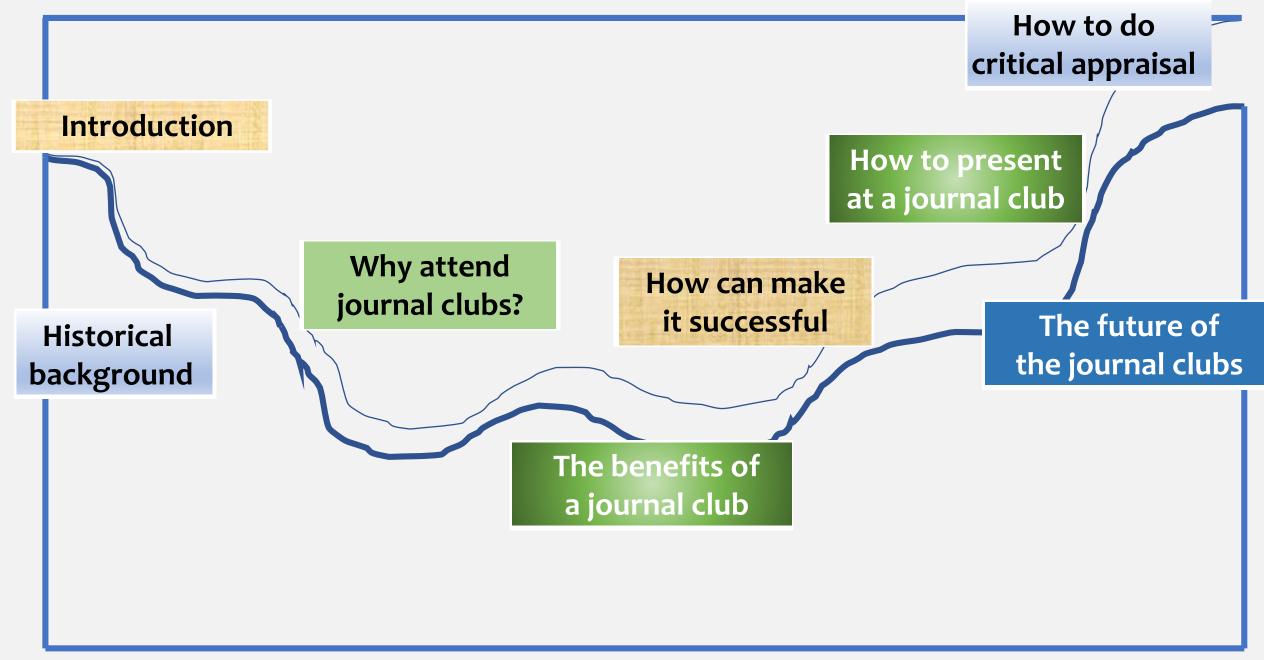


How to prepare for and present at a journal club



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Introduction

Presenting a paper at a journal club can be a daunting prospect for a trainee and may even leave him feeling underprepared.

However, the ability to **critically appraise** and **present an academic paper** is a competency required of the trainee doctor.

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Introduction

- benefits
- characteristics
- impact of new technology

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Before the 17th century the doctrines of the ancient world dominated the theory and practice of western medicine.

Galenism

taught that disease resulted from an imbalance of the "humours", and that treatment with bloodletting and purging would reestablish equilibrium.

During the 17th century, however, a new approach to medicine, based on observation and experimentation, gained a growing acceptance and challenged the status quo.

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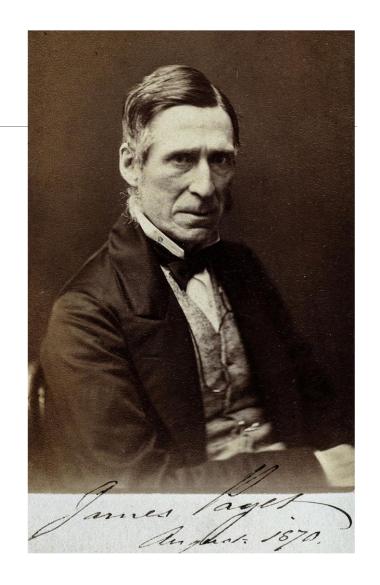
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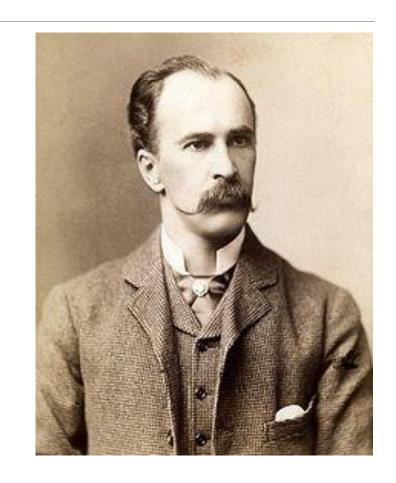
The first **mention** of a journal club is found in the 1835–54 memoirs of **British surgeon Sir James Paget.**

He reported that 'self-elect of the pupils, making themselves into a kind of club, had a small room over a baker's shop near the Hospital-gate where we could sit and read the journals'.



first war 1825 second 1852 third 1885

Sir William Osler is widely credited as establishing the first **organized** journal club at McGill University in 1875.1



In 1966, **Professor Mattingly** of Exeter University wrote one of the first **articles** about journal clubs as an:

'introduction to the systematic use of medical literature' for junior staff, and

'a convenient method of surveying the medical literature' for senior staff.1

Since then journal clubs have been widely used to keep abreast of the current literature.

1. Mattingly, 1966

In the 1990s the concept of evidence-based medicine was introduced, defined as '...the conscientious, explicit, and judicious use of current best evidence in making decisions about the care of individual patients'.1

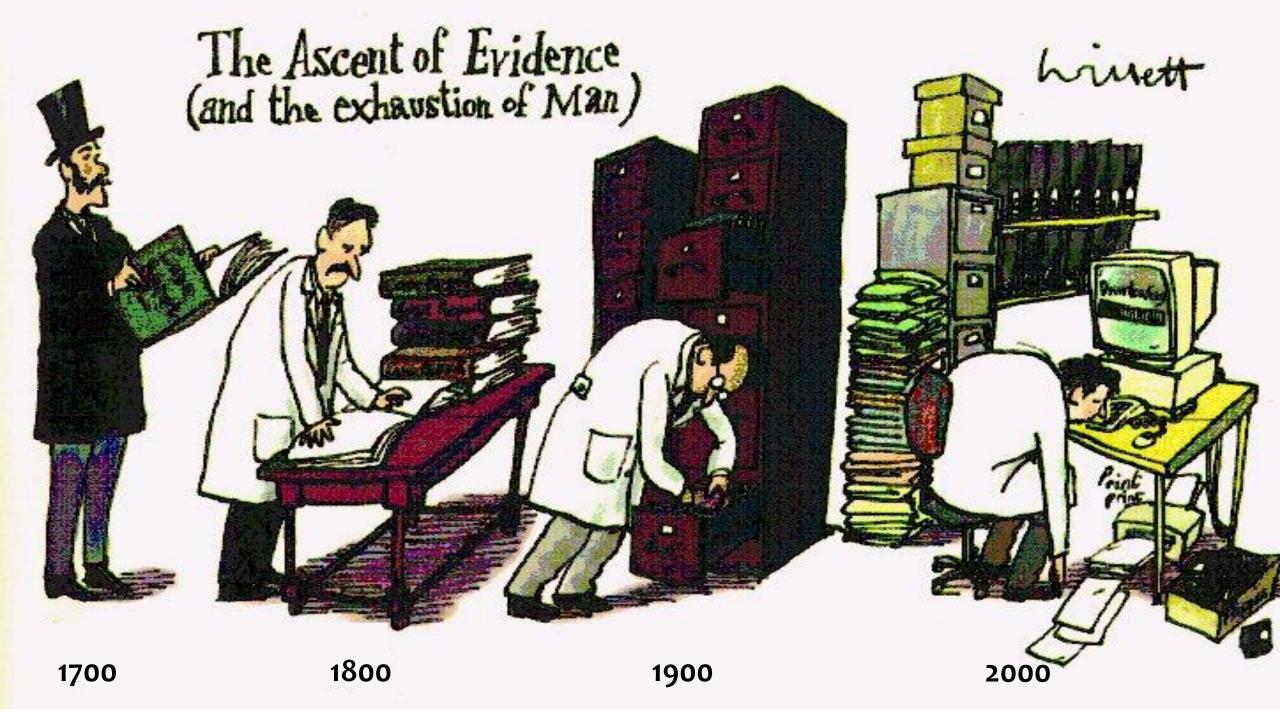
1. Sackett et al, 1996

Journal clubs also allow **academic debate** and **networking** between colleagues of varying seniority.1

Regular meetings to discuss and appraise the medical literature help trainees to develop their critical appraisal skills.

These skills are increasingly seen as a requirement for specialist hospital doctors and the ability to demonstrate them is assessed at specialty training interviews.2

- 1. Esisi, 2007
- 2. Picard et al, 2010; Leung et al, 2013



Critical Appraisal

"the process of systematically examining research evidence to assess its validity, results, and relevance before using it to inform a decision"



Ref: Hill and Spittlehouse, 2001, p.1

The benefits of a journal club

Critical appraisal skills are developed

Participants keep abreast of current medical literature

- Guidelines
- Review articles
- Recent advances

The benefits of a journal club

Critical appraisal skills are developed

Participants keep abreast of current medical literature

Research literacy and evidence-based practice are developed



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The Importance of Research Literacy

Developing the critical skill of interpreting medical research

By Angela Senders, ND, MCR, Andrew Erlandsen, ND, and Heather Zwickey, PhD

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For most of human history, most people could not read at all. Literacy was not only a demarcator between the powerful and the powerless; it was power itself.—Ursula Le Guin¹

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Research literacy is

the ability to

access,

interpret, and

critically evaluate

primary medical literature.

These skills are **not necessarily intuitive**, and for most practitioners, they **must be systematically taught, practiced, and honed** so they can make good use of the available literature.

Successful research literacy requires that physicians

- be familiar with the multitude of available research databases and
- be able to structure their clinical questions in a way that optimizes searchability and literature retrieval.

Once research yields the article of choice, physicians must determine

which research question is being asked by the investigators and

whether the study design and analysis are appropriate to answer the query.

Finally, physicians must decide

if the results of the study are clinically meaningful and relevant to their own work in the field.

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The needs of continuing medical education are met

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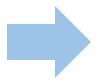
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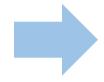
Common consultant interview questions and how to answer them

(Categories: Continuing professional development, Feature, Prepare for interview)



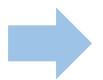
Preparing your medical CV

(Categories: Research, Teaching, Communicate, Write, Feature, Organise and prepare your CV, Prepare for interview)



How to succeed at research fellowship interviews

(Categories: Research, Feature, Prepare for interview)



Getting to know your interview panel will help you to prepare. It is recommended that meeting with everyone on the panel, if possible, is a way of anticipating the questions they may ask.

Alexandra Cope, a consultant general and colorectal surgeon at Wexham Park Hospital.

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"When you do meet with people on the panel they will ask you the types of questions that they are likely to ask you at interview.

Consider their thoughts on issues and think about what you need to build into your answers," she advises.

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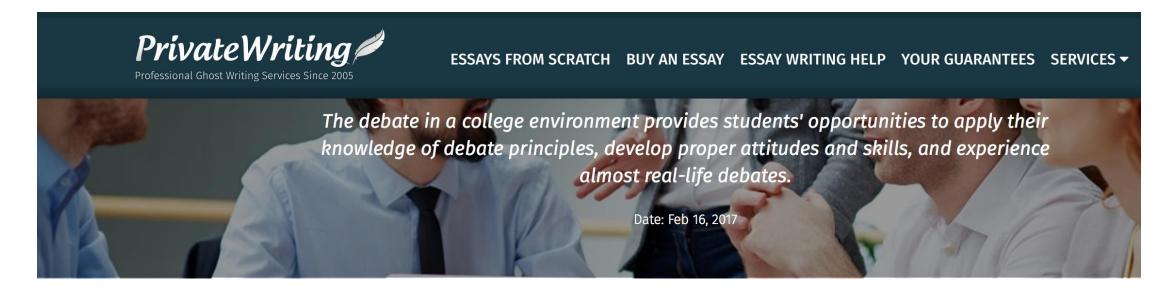
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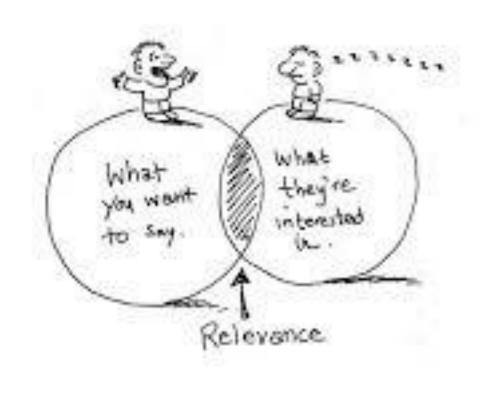
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Interview skills are developed

Academic debate is stimulated

Academic debate





The long tradition of Academic Debate

started in about 481 to 411 B.C. and **persisted in** American schools as an educational method in college **characterized by** the debate tournament.

A form of informal debate, academic debate merely allows students to systematically express their opinion and support their arguments with facts or evidence.

They are designed to

facilitate the development of advanced speaking skills,

improve critical thinking, and

increase students' confidence about participating in academic community discussions and dialogue.

The Value of Academic Debate

Academic debate is simply defined as

a debate conducted under the auspices of an educational institution aimed at providing educational opportunities for its students.

The purpose of an academic debate is

to allow evenly matched opponents to present balanced arguments and evidence about critical issues.

The Value of Academic Debate

Some of the benefits students gained from their debate experience

awareness and knowledge of social issues,

development of critical thinking and communication ability,

appreciation of change, and

respect for academic research.

The philosophy of college debate

"to learn not to win"

The most important thing is to be able to

present both sides of the issue and **make** a critical decision on matters concerning public interest.

The Value of Academic Debate

The debate in a college environment provides

opportunities to apply their knowledge of debate principles, develop proper attitudes and skills, and experience almost real-life debates.

More importantly, debating is to keep political and public issues alive in the hearts and minds of the academic community.

The Value of Academic Debate

The value of academic debate for some critics is limited to discussing social issues and developing students' attitudes and abilities.

Others see it as a structured academic game with self-actualization and enjoyment as goals.

In practice, however, academic debate influenced some of the most critical issues in society.

The Value of Academic Debate

For example, the goals and rationales of criminal punishment according to literature were not the only outcome of evolving criminal procedures and customs but painstaking academic debate.

The Value of Academic Debate

Another is a <u>strong influence</u> of academic debate on public attitude and government policy towards the harmful effect of some media content such portrayal of sex and violence, food consumption and eating disorders, and direct behavioral effect of television advertising on children.

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Publications are generated (e.g. letters to editor, further research)

Any evidence?

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How to run an effective journal club: a systematic review

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Results

They identified 101 articles, of which 21 comprised the body of evidence. Of these, 12 described journal club effectiveness. Methodological quality was moderate.

The papers described many processes of effective journal clubs. Over 80% papers reported that journal club intervention was effective in improving knowledge and critical appraisal skills.

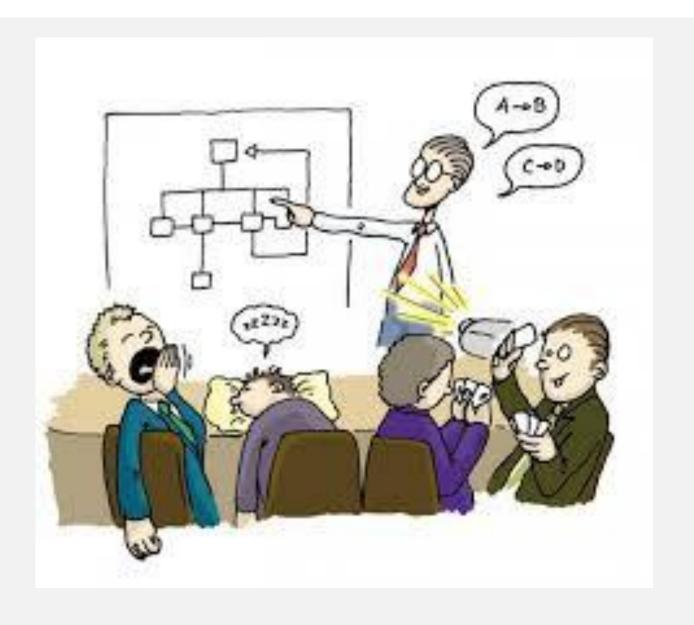
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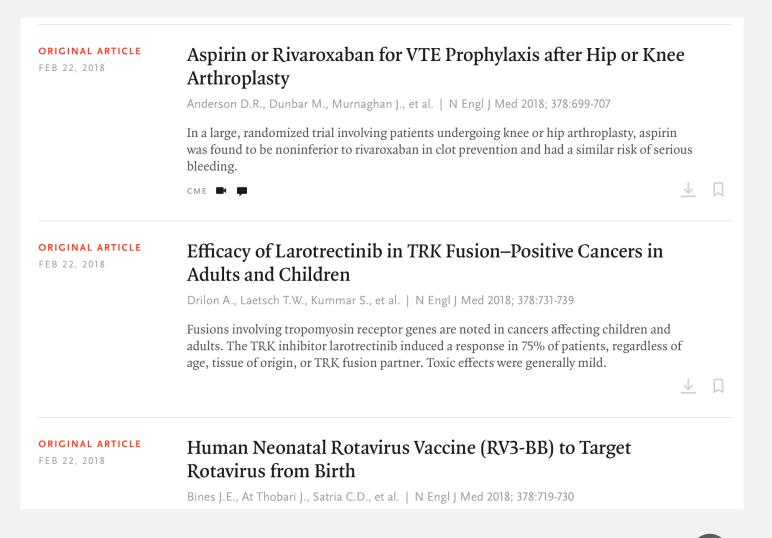
- 1. They are held at **regular intervals** (e.g. weekly).
- 2. They are held at a set time convenient for the members.
- 3. Attendance is compulsory and an attendance register is held.
- 4. The attending clinicians share common clinical interests.
- 5. There is a nominated **chairman**, who possesses research experience and is widely respected. His/her role is to chair meetings as well as guide club members in their choice of journal articles.

6. The club has a **clear purpose** which is agreed by the members and is periodically reviewed

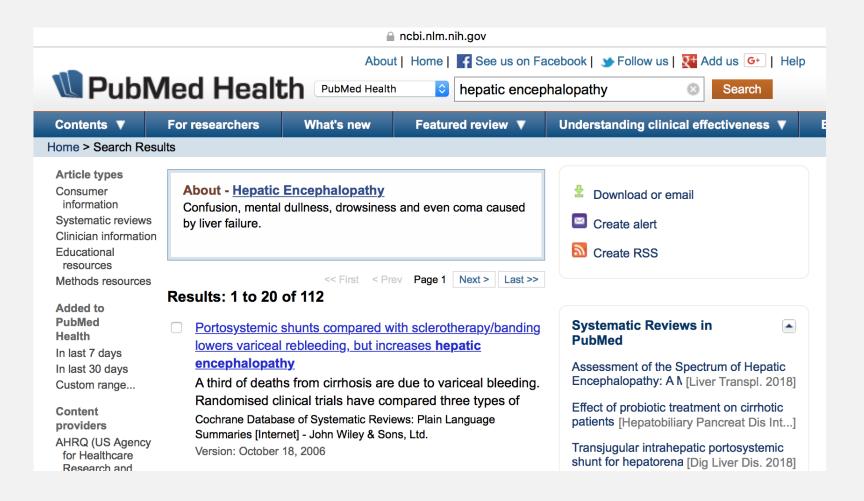
7. The articles selected for discussion are aligned with the agreed 'overall aim' of the club and of clinical relevance to the members



8. Original articles are the most frequent papers discussed



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9. The papers are **read in good time before the meeting**. Circulating the subject matter by email or the internet are effective ways to do this.

10. Food is available at the meetings; the provision of food at meetings is widely reported to improve attendance.



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In the past journal clubs involved the members travelling to meet at a given location.

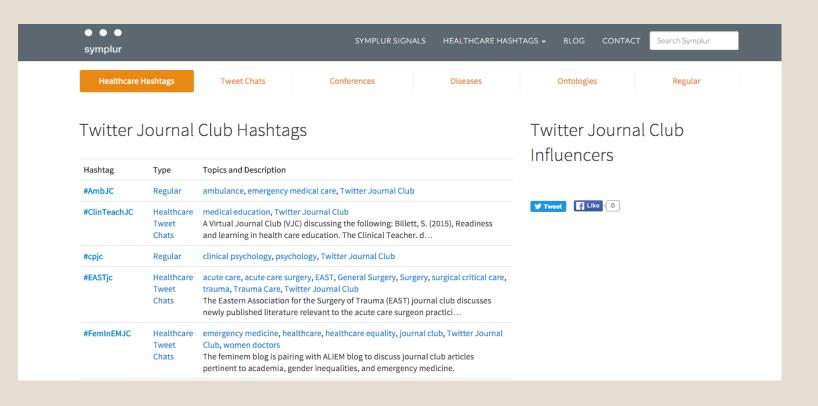
Recently, journal clubs have used web-based platforms. These also improve participants' ability to undertake critical appraisal of the literature although journal clubs in person are more efficient at developing these skills.1

Most departments therefore still hold physical meetings with internet technology used as an adjunct. 2

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^{1.} Macrae et al, 2004 and McLeod, 2010

^{2.} Millichap and Goldstein, 2011



Social media platforms such as **LinkedIn** and **Twitter** have also been used to host journal clubs.

Early forays into microblogging-based journal club discussions (e.g. via Twitter) have produced encouraging results.

Scheduled discussion forums advertized and conducted on Twitter can be used to access an international, multi-disciplinary community and engage readers directly with authors.



One such experimental study, conducted over a 48-hour period, reported participation from 45 contributors representing clinicians, students and members of the public, from 10 countries.

Thangsamy and Woo, 2013

Research

Publication

Multimedia

Media

Traditional STEP 1

Traditional STEP 2

Novel: STEP 3

Novel: STEP 4

Research completion

- Develop question and design
- Complete research (study or review)
- Analyse results



Journal publication

- Write manuscript
- Submit to journal
- Peer review
- Address concerns
- Finalise paper and sign over copyright



Multimedia creation

- Blog
- Infographic
- Video
- Podcast



Media dissemination

- Twitter
- Facebook
- Blogs
- Other relevant social media platforms
- Journal website

Positive correlations have been shown between the number of 'tweets' a journal article generates and more traditional measures of influence such as citations.

Regarding the risk of unprofessional conduct, the vast majority of contributions raise no concerns.

In light of this the potential of social media sites to compliment physical meetings and stimulate debate is now being investigated by international medical journals.₃

1. Eysenbach, 2011 2. Leung et al, 2013 3. Leung et al, 2013

The advantages of journal clubs via social media platforms

The advantages of journal clubs via social media platforms

- Immediate access to authors and editors
- Immediate appraisal and feedback for editors and authors
- The ability for discussion between authors and readers
- The opportunity to promote international discussion
- Enhanced dissemination to developing countries and remote areas
- Development of a forum to answer questions and explore practical applications
- Discussion open to people interested in the topic who are not medical professionals (adapted from Leung et al, 2013).

How to present at a journal club

Most presentations take place at physical meetings for which standard approaches apply.

Powerpoint slides will help convey the structure of the presentation and the data under discussion.

Where such facilities are unavailable, slides on overhead projectors or simple handouts are suitable alternatives.



"I'm going to switch to plan 'B'.
Our computers are down."

The timing of the presentation should be appropriate to the content of the paper and duration of the meeting.

Rehearsing the presentation will help to combat nerves and further familiarize the speaker with the content, facilitating an engaging and interactive presentation.

Some meetings may favour a less formal roundtable discussion format where the chairperson will help guide the discussion, encouraging group participation.

Schwartz et al (2007) drew a comparison between presenting a critical appraisal and presenting patients; in both the aim is to convey the essential information in a concise manner using a standardized structure.

Just as a junior doctor's ability to present clinical problems improves dramatically with practice, the skill of engagingly and concisely conveying the essence of a paper can also be learnt.

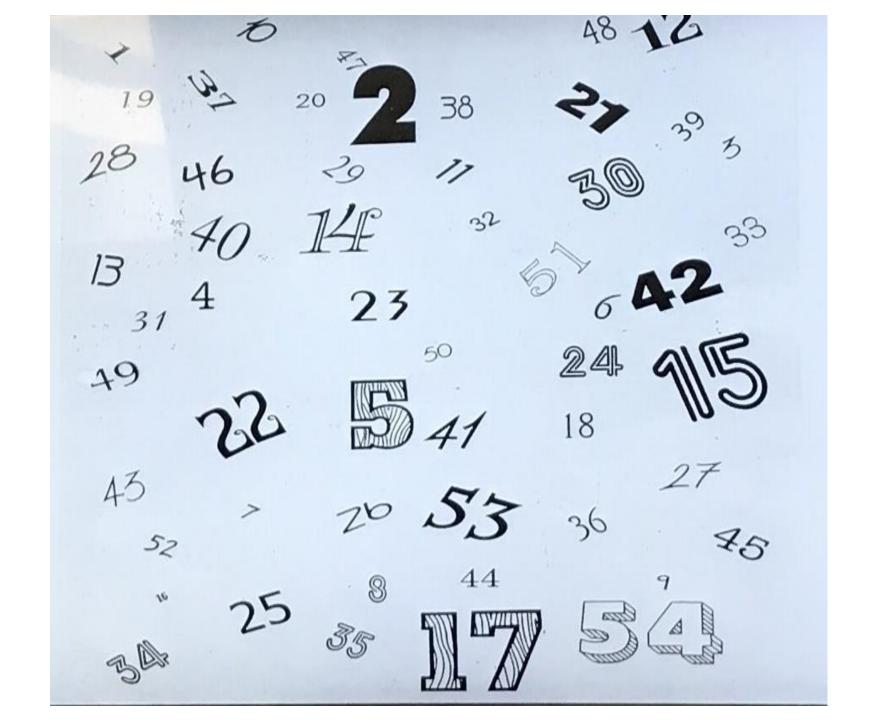


Does it necessary?

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What and How

- What is going to present?
- How is it going to present?



Please Reflect

- 1. Description of **event** (outside events)
- 2. Description with **feeling** (inside event)
- 3. Description of **findings** (compare to past and others)
- 4. Description of **facts** (strength and weaknesses)
- 5. Description of **future** plan (opportunity and threat)
- 6. Description of **other** action (generalization)



Fiction not the facts

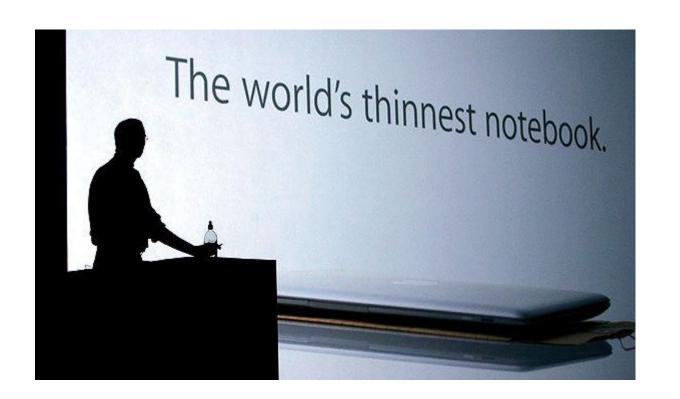
- Steve Jobs "storyboards" the plot
- Slides complement the story



Focus on Benefits

- Listeners are asking themselves one question: Why should I care? What can I achieve?
- They only care about how your presentation will improve their knowledge or something

Create
User-Friendly
Headlines



- Jobs introduced the MacBook Air " The world's thinnest notebook."
- Fill in the details during presentation but one sentence to position every product.

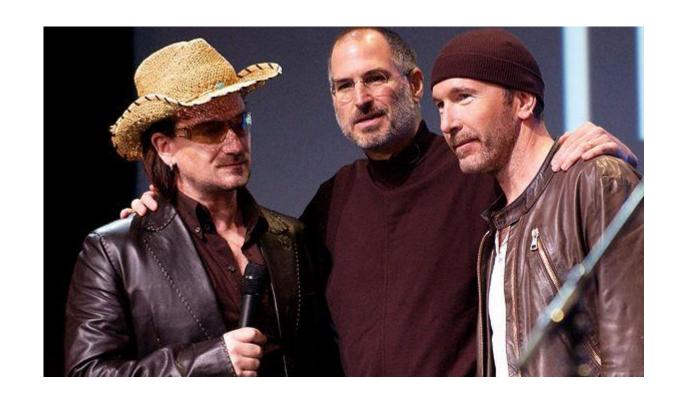
Create Visual Slides



- Relies on photographs and images

 (information is more effectively recalled when text and images are combined)
- For example, Macbook Air, he showed computer fitting inside a manila envelope.

Obey the 10-Minute Rule



- Neuroscientists: Brain gets tired after 10 minutes
- Jobs presentation lasts about 1.5 hours but every 10 15 minutes, with video, demonstrations or guest speakers



Practice a lot

- Jobs spends hours rehearsing every facet of his presentation
- Every slide is written carefully

Effective Presentation

- Convey the Message to the listeners (ရောက္)
- Capture the Listener's attention (ပေါက္)
- Be well-organized



Contents

Preparation

Presentation

Post Presentation

Preparation

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Practice makes perfect

[ check ] [ recheck ] [ countercheck ]
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Presentation is90% preparation and10% pandering

The success is sweat and the secret is sweat

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Know topic

(it increases credibility)

Know neighborhood

(familiarize with venue and equipment)

Know audience

(communication principles-you can't present to nobody)

One Husband Five Wives Approach

What is the main agenda?

Why are you going to present?

When would it be executed and finished?

Who are the audience?

Where is the venue?

How will it be presented?

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Presentation

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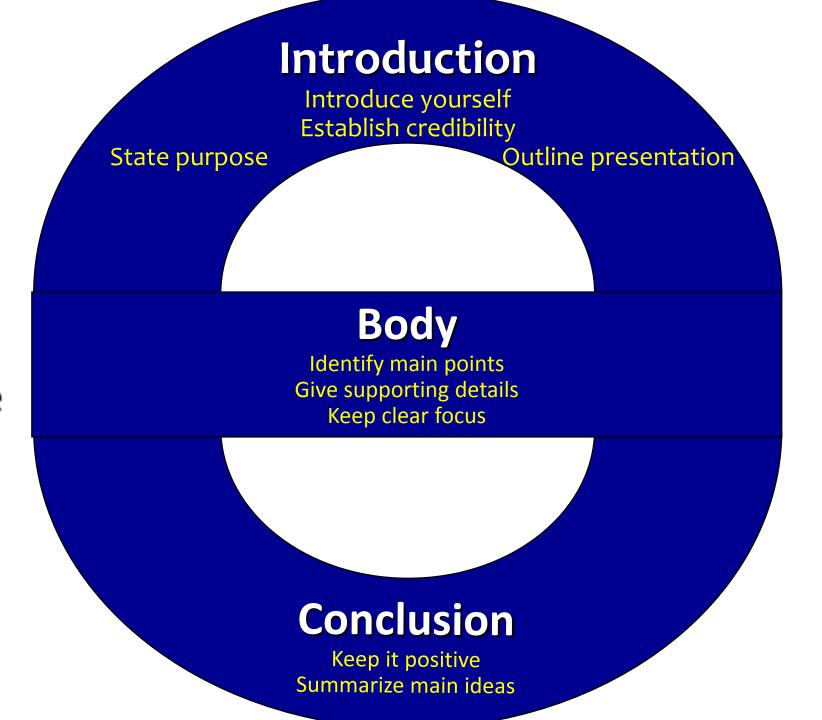
Simplicity is ultimate sophistication (Leonado da Vinci)

STRUCTURE

1.Powerful start

2.Coherent middle

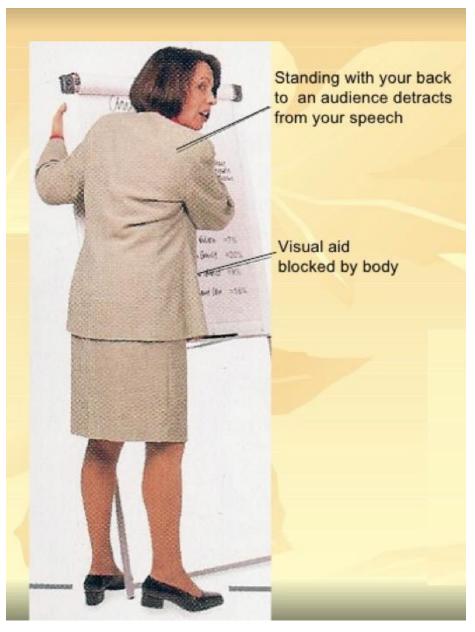
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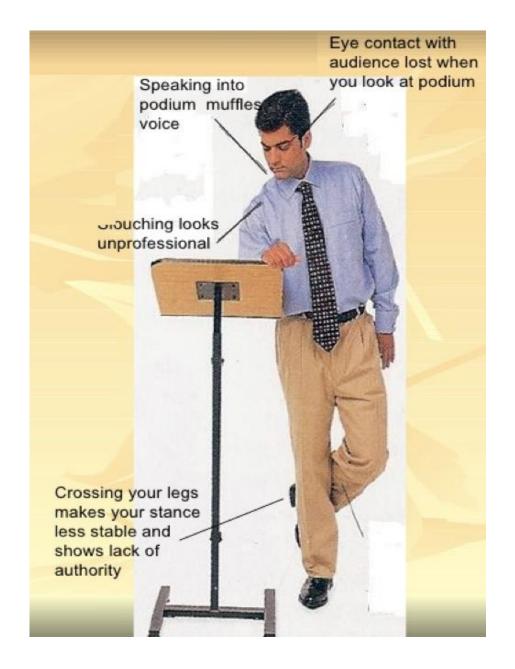


 Careful about verbal, non verbal and paraverbal (multiple routes)

- Compare with lifetime events
 (people remember stories not data)
- Can pace about instead of being a statue
 (3 zones)

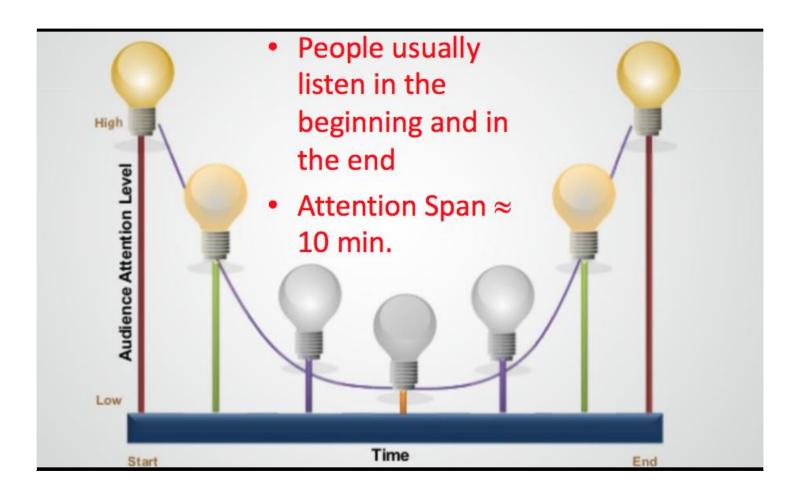






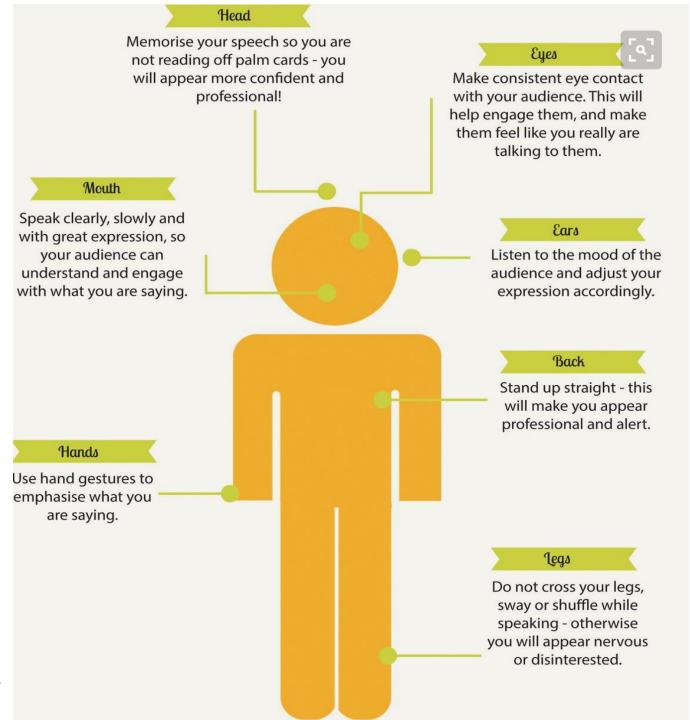
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Develop Audience Interest



Strategies





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- မ်ကုလုံး
- ပါးစပ္
- နား
- နောက္ကော်
- ချခထောက္
- လက္



Be clear with your message, keep it simple

→ CONCISE

Least possible words is saves time for csender and receiver

→ CORRECT

Accurate facts and figures, proper use of grammar, spelling and language

→ COMPLETE

Must convey all the facts required by the receiver

→ CONSIDERATION

Consider the audience and their requirements

→ CONCRETE

Be definite and specific, not vague

→ COURTESY

Think about the receiver, their viewpoint and be respectful

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Post Presentation

Allow questions

Ask opinions (Feedback)

Always thanks the audience

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Quick Quiz Question-to select right answer/answers

You're Giving A Presentation...

1. How should you stand?

a) Arms crossed on chest

b) Straight

c) Knees unlocked

(b)

2. What should you do with your hands?

- a) Put hands on hips
- b) Put one hand in a pocket
- c) Keep hands by your side

(c)

3. How can you emphasize something?

- a) Point finger at the audience
- b) Move or lean forward to show that something is important
- c) Use a pointer to draw attention to important facts

(b/c)

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4. What should you do when you feel nervous?

a) Hold pen or cards in your hands

b) Walk back and forth

c) Look at the flip chart or screen (not at the audience)

(a)

5. How should you keep eye contact with the audience?

- a) Make eye contact with each individual often
- b) Choose some individuals and look at them as often as possible
- c) Spread attention around the audience

(a/c)

6. How fast should you speak?

- a) About 20% more slowly than normal
- b) Just as fast as in a normal conversation
- c) Faster than in a normal conversation.

(a)

7. How should you express enthusiasm?

a) By raising voice level

b) By waving arms

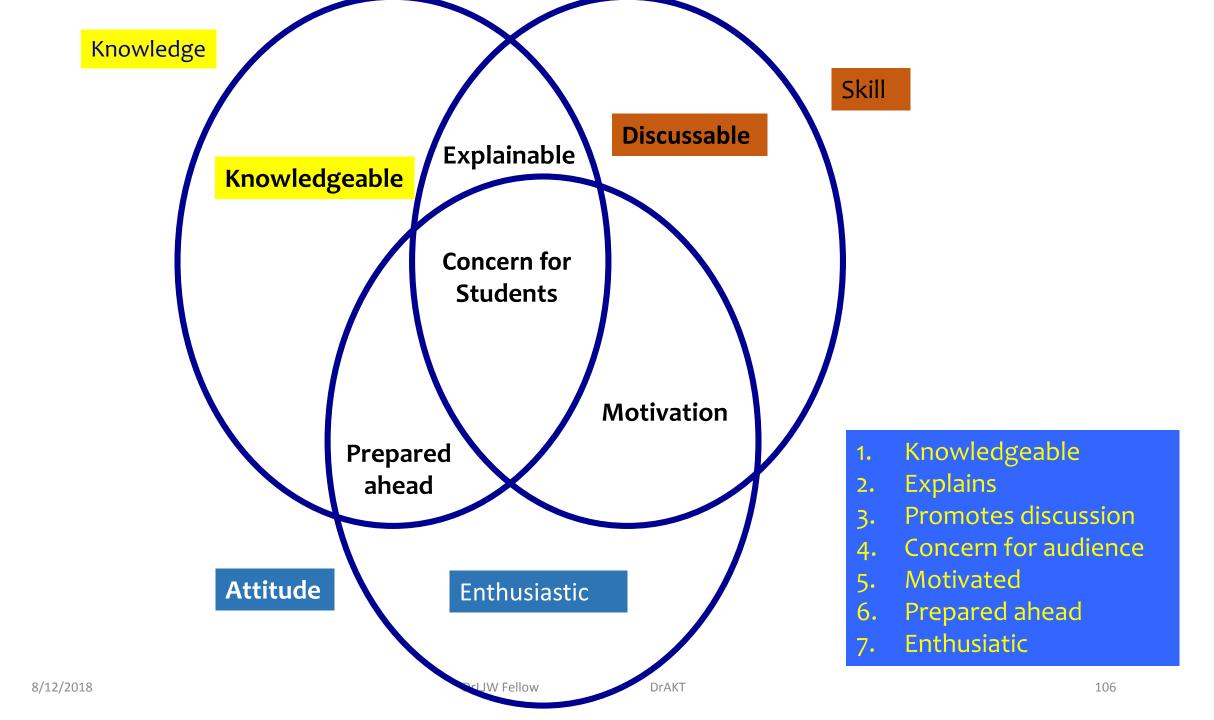
 c) By making hand or arm gestures for important points

(a/c)

Characteristics of effective Presenter

- Knowledgeable
- Explainable
- Discussable
- Concern for audience
- Motivated
- Prepared ahead
- Enthusiastic





Summary

Preparation (check, recheck, countercheck)
PRACTICE

Presentation (verbal, paraverbal, nonverbal)AUDIENCE

Post Presentation (summarize, thanks, improve)FEEDBACK

PowerPoint Survey

• Speaker reading slides 60%

• Text too small 51%

• Having the slides typed out in completely **full sentences** 48%

• Hard to see **colors** 37%

• Overly complex **charts** 22%

Moving /flying text 24%

ABCD principles in PPT

ABCD principles in PPT

Alignment



Line up..

Big&Bold



Big and mix

Contrast&color Down to earth

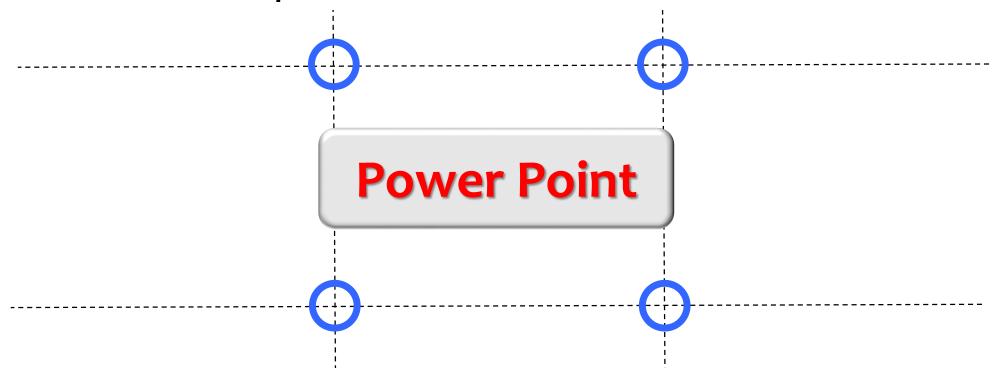


2~3 colors, complement and consistent



Simply

Position the important element along the lines Place the point of interest on **intersections**











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PowerPoint Basics (Big) Headings 36-40 Point Type

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- this is 28
- Use Arial

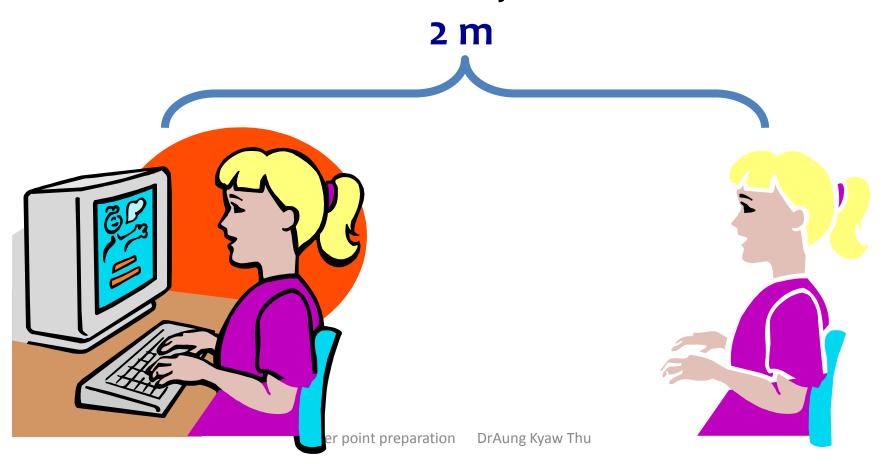
 (Times New Roman harder to read from the back of room.)

Limit each slide to one main idea (max 15-40 words)

Make It Big (How to Estimate)

Look at it from 2 metres away

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UPPERCASE vs. Mixed Case

 IT WILL TAKE THE AUDIENCE LONGER TO READ SLIDES THAT ARE ALL UPPER CASE

 Instead use only uppercase to EMPHASIZE specific text

• Better still use bold or color instead

Make It Clear (Contrast)

- Use contrasting colours
- Light on dark vs dark on light
- Use complementary colours

This is light on dark

This is dark on light

Make It Clear (Complement)

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- Light on dark vs dark on light
- Use complementary colours

These colours do not complement

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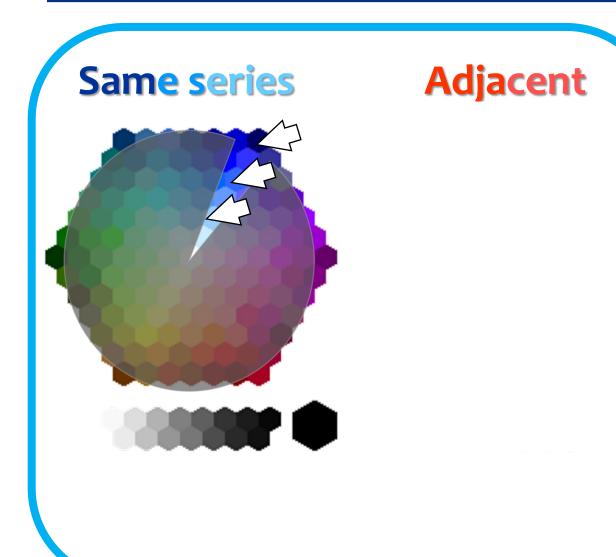
These colours complement

Same series

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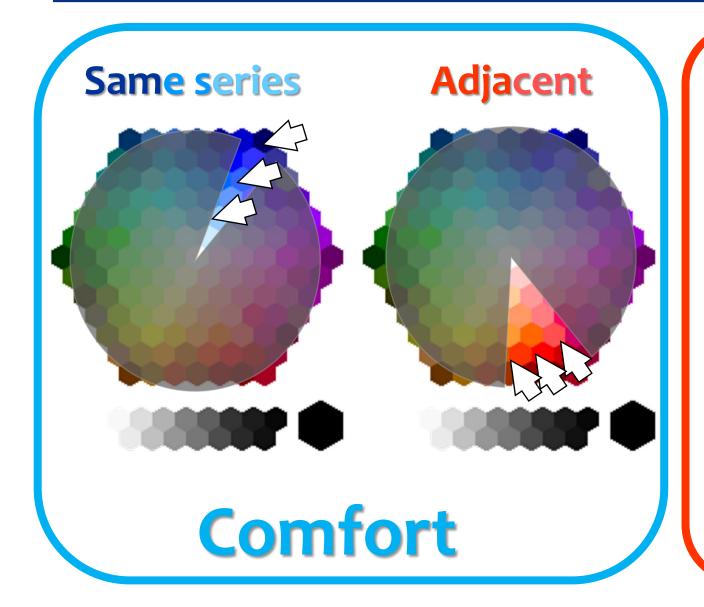
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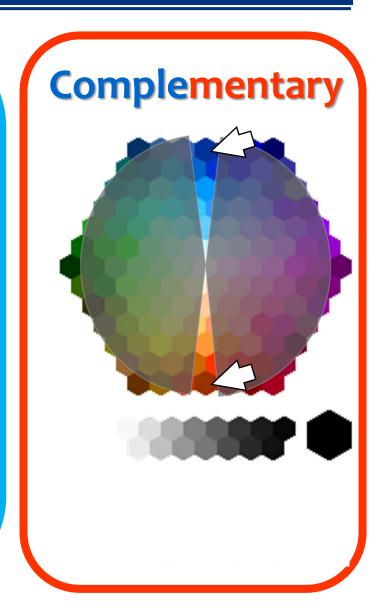
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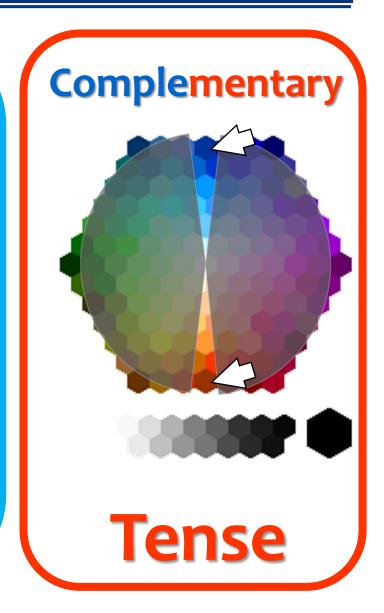
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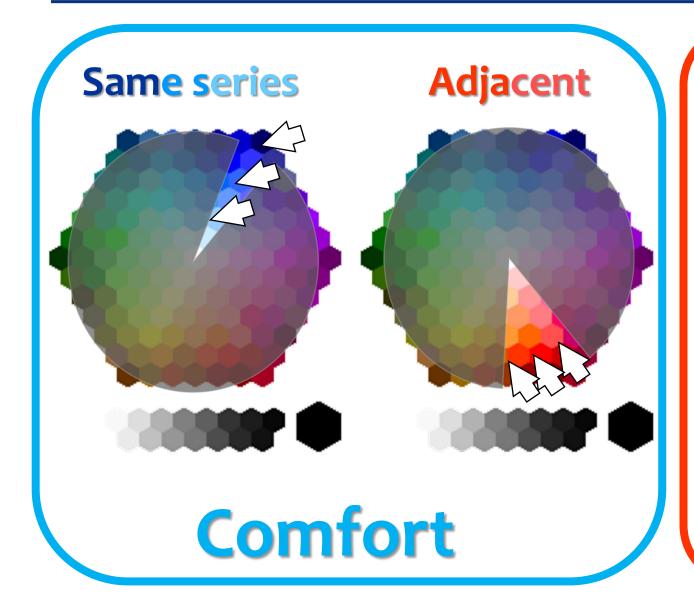
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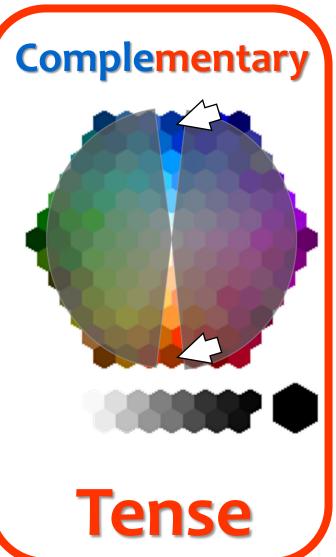


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 Dark blue to project a stable, mature message has a calming effect

 Red or Orange to trigger excitement or an emotional response

- Gray to promote the idea of quality
- White background with black font is a strain for eyes if used long term

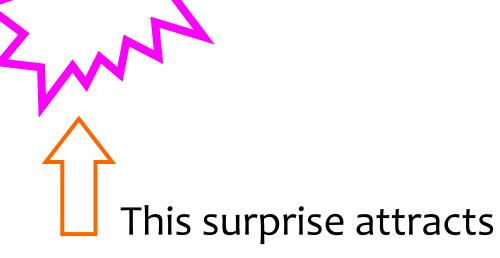
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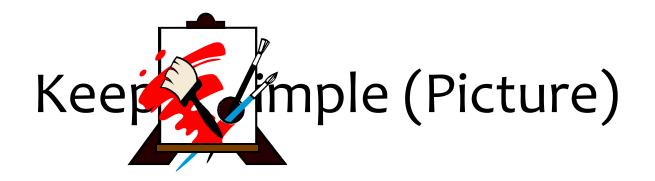
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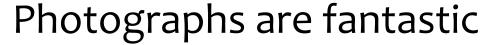
Keep It Simple (Text)

- Too many colours
- Too Many Fonts and Styles
- The 6 x 8 rule
 - No more than 6 lines per slide
 - No more than 8 words per line



Art work may distract your audience

Artistry does not substitute for content

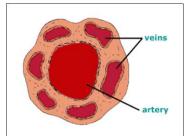




Cartoons are fun



Diagrams are useful



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The thing is that they must speak & supplement



Delete – Keep It Short & Simple

Let's save Water

- Insufficient water storage is big worldwide problem
- Fresh water available to humans is only 1% of the total amount of water in the Earth.
- The UN classified Korea as a water-scare country in 1990
- Korea is twice as likely to use water as it is in France and Britain
- If you do not spare water, you will face a water shortage crisis in the next few years.





"Simplicity is the Ultimate Sophistication"

- Leonardo da Vinci -

ABCD principles in PPT

Alignment



Line up..

Big&Bold



Big and mix

Contrast&color Down to earth



2~3 colors, complement and consistent



Simply

Suggestions

• Use slides to supplement not represent

Use several simple slides rather than one complex one

Plan on no more than one slide per minute

The end of presentation

Thank you
FOR
Thinking
Together
These things
TENACIOUSLY

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