How to Speak so People will Listen

Effective Public Speaking



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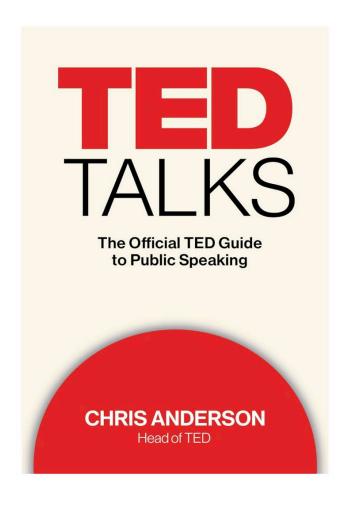
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- Three years at the Atlanta Fed
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- 30 years as a university professor engaged in research, writing, teaching, and public speaking.



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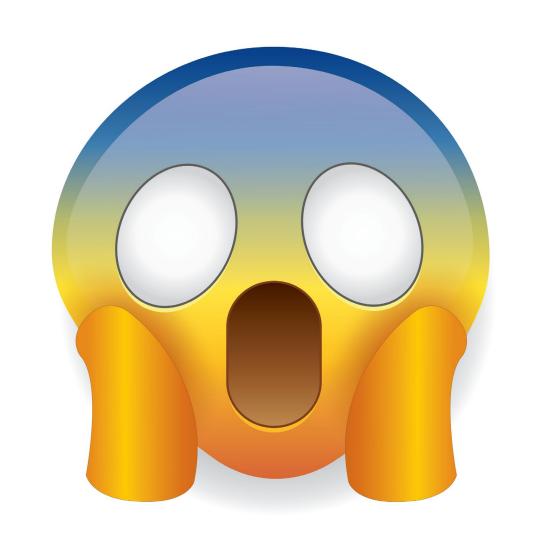
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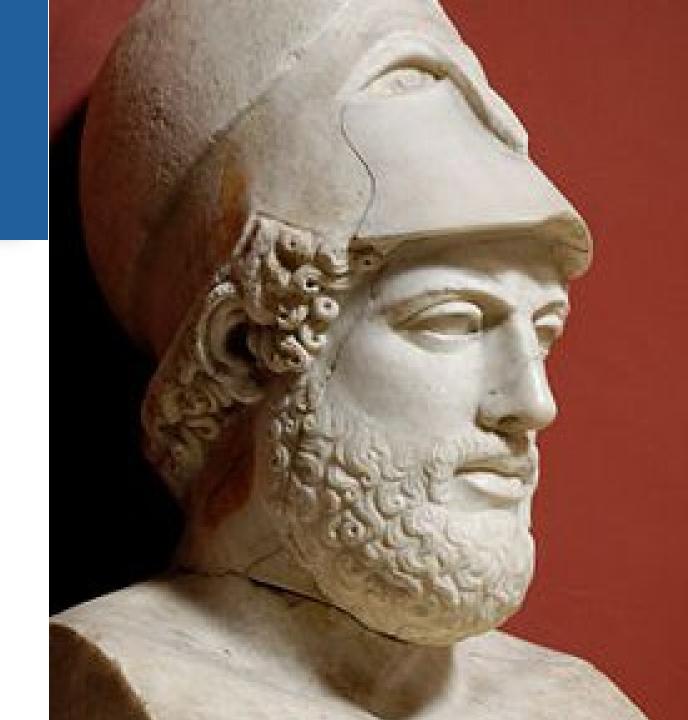
The Greek Peloponnesian War 431-404 BCE





Pericles

Athenian political leader and military general



Storytelling

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I. The What

Who are you and what are you doing?

Brief bio

Pro tip: Highlight only most recent and relevant work.

Subject, topic, research question/project

Pro tip: Set the stage.

Your Why

Pro tip: Create a connection with the audience.

Your action steps

Pro tip: Use action verbs in the active voice—I analyzed, I collected, I researched (rather than "data has been collected...").

II. The So What

Why does your work matter?

Plot twist

Pro tip: It's all about your audience's Why.

Framing the story

Pro tip: Frame your work to suit the audience's needs.

Get the inside scoop

Pro tip: Ask/research.

Focus

Pro tip: If you stay focused, so will your audience.

III. The Now What

What are the next steps? Or, is there a call to action?

Your next steps

Pro tip: Share both short-and long-term plans.

Call to action

Pro tip: Give your audience a specific action plan.

Epilogue

Practice

Pro tip: Practice breeds familiarity, and familiarity breeds confidence.

Timing

Pro tip: Keep to your allotted time.

Nerves

Pro tip: Everyone gets nervous and it's a good thing.

Visual Aids

Pro tip: Keep your presentation slides streamlined.

Technology

Pro tip: Use the technology that makes sense for you.

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