20 TIME: FINAL PRESENTATIONS
FOR YOUR FINAL PRESENTATION YOU WILL NEED TO CREATE A TED STYLE IGNITE PRESENTATION.

An Ignite presentation is promoted under the slogan, “Enlighten us, but make it quick.” Ignite is a presentation where a presenter speaks while slides advance automatically to add visuals. An Ignite presentation is exactly 5 minutes, and contains 20 slides that automatically advance after each slide is displayed for 15 seconds.
HERE IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN IGNITE PRESENTATION

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THE TED COMMANDMENTS—RULES EVERY SPEAKER NEEDS TO KNOW (ADAPTED FROM TIM LONGHURST)

• Don’t trot out the usual shtick.
• Dream a great dream, show a wondrous new thing, or share something that has never been shared.
• Reveal your curiosity and your passion.
• Tell a story
• Comment on other people’s ideas to help make connections
• Don’t flaunt your ego. Be vulnerable. Speak of your failures as well as your successes.
• Do not sell anything in your presentation.
• Remember, laughter is good.
• Do not read your speech.
• Do not go over!
IN YOUR PRESENTATION YOU SHOULD ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. A description of your project, why you were interested in your topic, and why you chose your topic.
2. State your interest in the topic now. Are you still interested? Why or why not?
3. Share the before, during, and after of your project ideas.
4. A detailed description of how you implemented your project.
5. An analysis of the project’s success. Did it end up how you thought it would? Why or why not?
7. Was this different than you originally thought?
8. Is the project over, or is there more that you can research?
9. Was your project difficult? Why or why not?
10. Personal Reflection: What effects did this project have on you?
TIPS TO MAKE YOUR PRESENTATION GREAT
TIP #1:

START WITH PAPER, NOT POWERPOINT.

• The world’s most captivating communicators plan first.
  • skipping this crucial first step is what separates average communicators from extraordinary ones.
TELL YOUR STORY IN 3 ACTS.

• The world’s most captivating communicators typically rely on a three-act structure. By structuring your presentation with a clear and compelling beginning, middle, and end, you’ll take your audience on an exciting journey … the kind that inspires action, sells products, and funds businesses.
A PICTURE IS WORTH 1000 WORDS.

• Humans more easily learn and recall information that is presented as pictures than when the same information is presented in words.
  • Images are powerful. Use them liberally.
TIP #4:

EMOTIONS GET OUR ATTENTION.

• Make sure your presentation content goes beyond pure “facts.” Triggering audience emotion is a guaranteed way to increase retention and impact of your core message.
TIP #5:

• If you want to improve your ability to persuade an audience, use simple language, free of jargon. Make sure your key messages are concrete and consistent. And don’t forget to use vivid metaphors or analogies to provide context and clarity around big numbers and complex ideas.

USE PLAIN ENGLISH.
TIP #6: DITCH THE BULLET POINTS.

- Researchers have demonstrated time and time again that text and bullet points are the least effective way to deliver important information.
TIP #7:

REHEARSE LIKE CRAZY.

- Rehearsing may be painful. It’s definitely time-consuming, but there are no shortcuts to excellence.

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WHAT IF I WANT TO USE A VIDEO IN MY FINAL PRESENTATION?
• Your presentation is required to be exactly 5 minutes long
  • It should contain exactly 20 slides automatically timed at 15 seconds a piece.

OR

• You have the option to include a video clip in your final presentation.
  • If you choose to use a video, it should be no longer than one minute.
  • Your presentation must still be exactly 5 minutes long and your slides must still be automatically timed at 15 seconds a piece.
    • Example: if you use a video clip that is 1 minute long, you will have 16 other slides that are automatically timed at 15 seconds a piece. If you have a video clip that is 30 seconds long, you will have 18 other slides that are automatically timed at 15 seconds a piece.
HOW WILL I BE GRADED?
YOUR FINAL PRESENTATION WILL BE GRADED IN THE FOLLOWING RUBRIC AREAS

• Presentation Introduction- Does your introduction include a captivating opening that includes the inspiration for the project, an allusion to lesson learned and a roadmap of the presentation?

• Description of why you created the project

• Description of the project journey

• Explanation of your research

• Analysis of project success

• Documentation of growth as a learner, community member, or as a person

• Presentation Conclusion- includes a restatement of main takeaways and insightfully articulates the implications and significance of the project.

• Presentation organization

• Visual aids

• Presentation reflection