# APPLYING RHETORICAL PRINCIPALS TO EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

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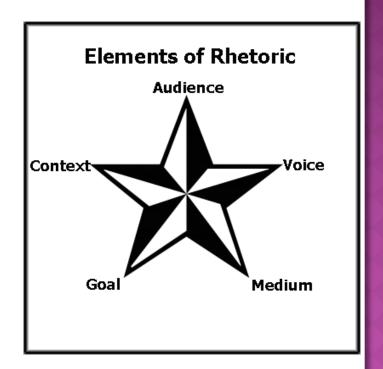
## RHETORICAL PRESENTATION OUTLINE

#### ART of RHETORIC

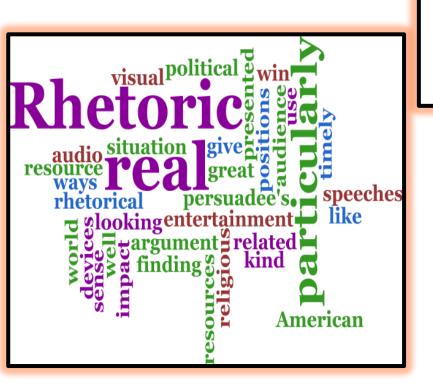
- What is Rhetoric
- How to use Rhetorical Devices
- Four Essential Steps
- How to Establish Speaker Credibility
- What is Ethos, Pathos, Logos
- Why value Diction and Word Choice

#### HOW YOU SAY IT...COUNTS

- Nonverbal Communication
- Voice Fluctuation & Emphasis
- A WINNING SPEAKING STYLE (Informative and Persuasive)
  - C's of COMMUNICATION



#### WHAT IS RHETORIC?



#### rhetoric (noun)

using language effectively to please or persuade; a style of speaking

## WHAT ARE RHETORICAL DEVICES? HOW ARE THEY USED?

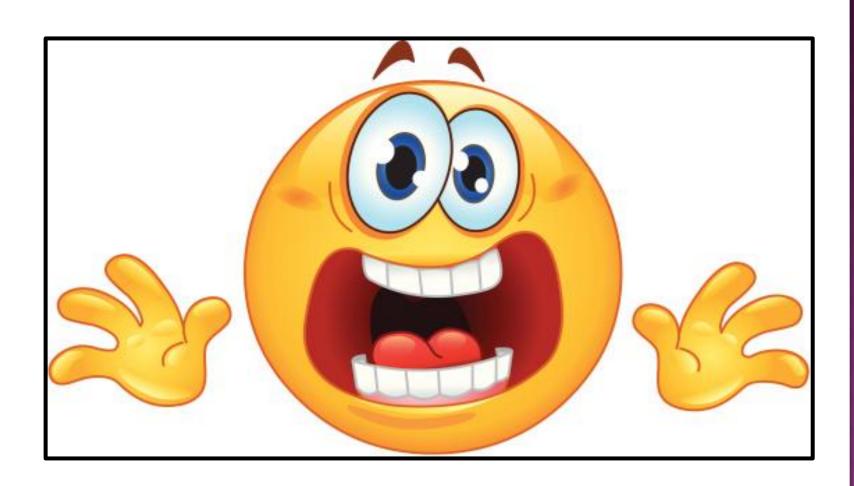
#### Rhetorical Devices are:

• 145 different types of speaking strategies or devices.

 used to Inform or Persuade an audience

devices developed by the Greeks and Romans...

# 145 DIFFERENT RHETORICAL DEVICES...!!!!!!



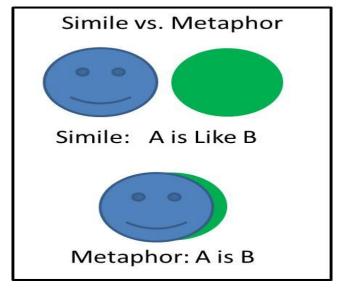
#### TOP RHETORICAL DEVICES

#### INFORMATIVE or PERSUASIVE SPEAKING

- 1. Triads
- 2. Repetition
- •3. Lists
- 4. Monosyllables

#### SOMETHING ENGLISH / GREEK

- ENGLISH
  - Metaphors
  - Similes



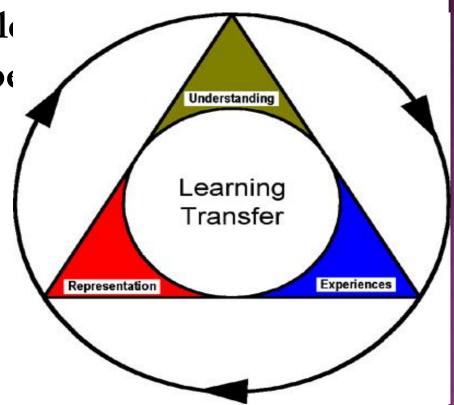
- GREEK
  - **ETHOS**
  - PATHOS
  - **LOGOS**



#1 - TRIADS
(RULE OF 3)

## The Human Mind LOVES Threes!

•Name some example of things we remember in threes....



#### EXAMPLES?

- 3 Little Pigs
- Goldilocks and the 3 Bears
- The good, the bad, and the ugly
- The Olympic Medal awards (Gold, Silver, Bronze)
- 3 Wise Men
- Red/White/Blue on Flag
- Red/Yellow/Green lights

#### EXAMPLES IN SPEECHES

#### Julius Caesar:

• "I came, I saw, I conquered"

#### **Abraham Lincoln:**

Government of the people, by the people and for the people..."

#### Shakespeare: (Marc Antony)

• "Friends, Romans, Countrymen...."

### #2 - REPETITION

- Rule #1
  - never repeat without a purpose.

- Rule #2
  - Always have a purpose when you repeat.

#### #3 - LISTS

- Used to amplify and intensify an Informative or persuasive speech.
- "He is a scholar, an athlete, a devoted husband. He is an award-winning speaker, an honored statesman, and a decorated veteran. He is a loving father, a doting grandfather and a true humanitarian"

#### # 4 MONOSYLLABLES

"To be or not to be...."

"I have a dream"

• "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country."

• Remember..."Less is more!"

#### STYLES OF SPEAKING

"Grammar is the mechanics of a language; logic (or dialectic) is the "mechanics" of thought and analysis; rhetoric is the use of language to inform or persuade." ~ Sister Miriam Joseph

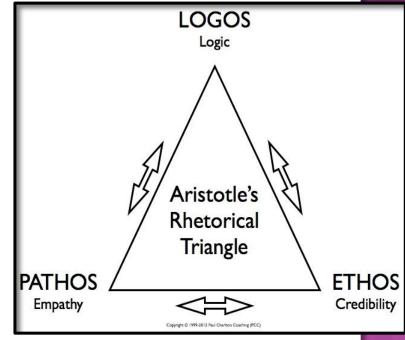
#### Four Essential Steps

- Establish Credibility as a Speaker
- •Frame "speaking" goals; identify common ground with the audience
- Establish and reinforce positions using vivid language and compelling facts (Value Diction and Word Choice)
- Connect emotionally with the audience

## ARISTOTLE'S MODES OF PERSUASION

"Greek philosopher Aristotle argued that their were 3 appeals (basic ways) to persuade an audience of your position by Ethos, Logos, or Pathos." by Dr. John R. Edlund, Cal Poly Pomona

- 1. **Ethos -** appeals to ethics, convincing audience of speakers character and credibility.
- **2.** Logos appeals to the logic; convince audience by use of logic or reason.



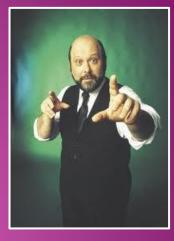
3. Pathos - appeals to the emotion;

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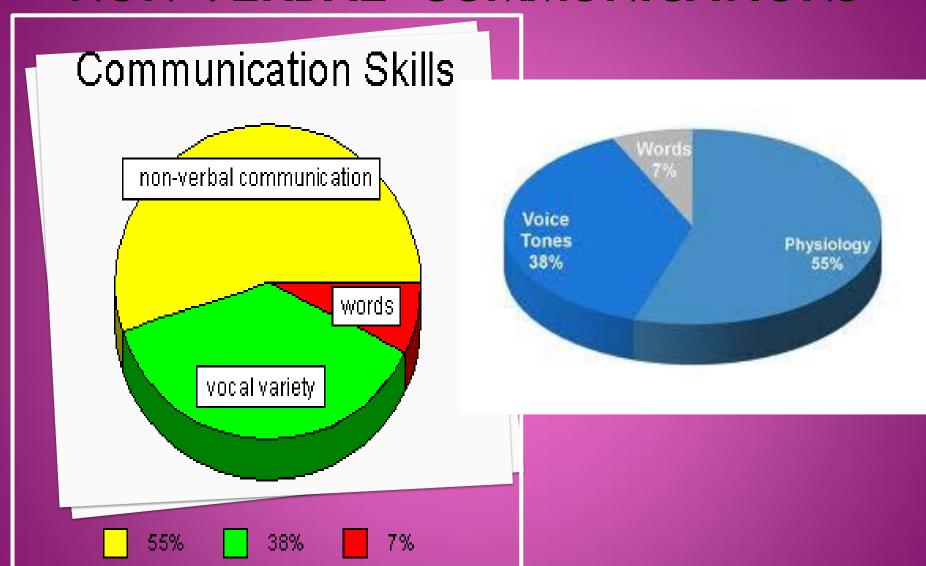






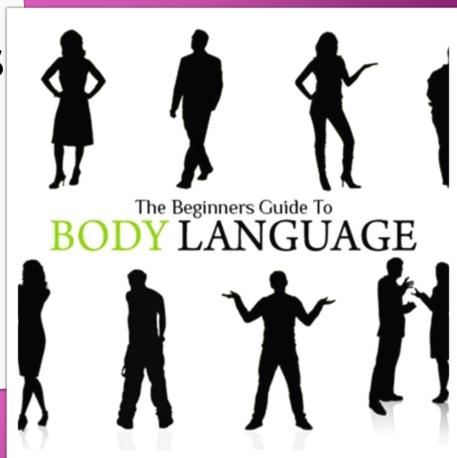
HOW IDEAS ARE PRESENTED HAS A GREAT DEAL TO DO WITH HOW MUCH VALUE THEY SEEM TO OFFER.

#### NON-VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS



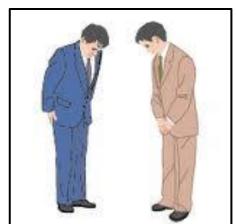
#### HOW you say it...5 ways

- 1. EYES
- 2. FACIAL EXPRESSIONS
- 3. VOICE-TONE
- 4. POSTURE MOVEMENT
- 5. HANDS



#### THE EYES HAVE IT...

- 1. Make eye contact before you speak
- 2. Make eye contact to stress a key point



#### Eye contact helps:

- reinforce a message you are communicating to an audience.
- the audience stay engaged and involved



#### FACIAL EXPRESSIONS



Can you imagine trying to communicate without facial expressions?

- 1. Practice
- 2. Knowledge is Power
- 3. Reading a speech vs knowing it

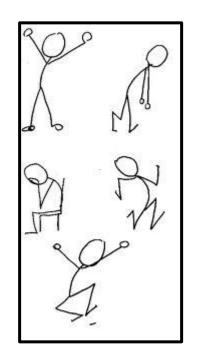
People want to listen to people that provide eye contact and assertiveness, not arrogance

#### EXCITING VOICE AND TONE

#### **Excitement**



#### **Energy**



**Emotion Vary speed** 



#### POSTURE AND MOVEMENT



Slouching communicates lack of self-confidence



Correct movement communicates confidence and emphasizes key points

#### WHAT TO DO WITH HANDS?

Appropriate use of your hands can result in a marked increase in the understanding and retention of your message

- Avoid using the same hand gesture over and over in pumping action
- 2. Don't animate or mime entire speech
- 3. Refrain from copying others
- 4. Practice new gestures
- One-handed gestures typically more effective



#### COMMUNICATION TIPS

- The Cs of Communications:
  - Clear

Concise

Concrete

Confident

#### CONCLUSION

