

Todd's Top 10 Rules for Talks

1. Match the time of your talk to the time allocated.
2. Watch the “um”s and other useless sounds/words.
3. Use the fewest words possible per slide.
4. Be sure that all Figure details are legible from the back of the room.
5. Be careful with red and green in deference to our color-challenged friends.
6. If you must have an equation, describe each variable clearly.
7. Use pauses to great effect.
8. Use gestures appropriately, but not frantically.
9. Move, and use lack of movement to great effect.
10. Enjoy your topic ... or don't bother!