Genius Hour Presentation TIps

# Ted Talk style

1. **Limit to one major idea – the one point you want your audience to take away**

* Provide the context (background)
* Share examples
* Paint vivid pictures
* Explain completely
* Let that one idea be the thread that runs through the entire talk; every part of your talk links back to it.

1. **Give your audience a reason to care about your idea**
   * Build curiosity
   * Use intriguing, provocative questions
2. **Build your idea piece by piece, out of concepts your audience already understands**
   * Use their language
   * Start where they are
   * Use metaphors
3. **Make your idea worth sharing**
   * Who does it benefit?
   * Make sure your idea has the potential to bright someone else’s day or change someone else’s life
4. **Seek mentor presentations and pattern yours upon successful ones**
   * Watch other Ted Talks at [www.ted.com](http://www.ted.com)
   * Watch other Genius Hour Presentations on Mrs. Powers’ “Presenting Your Journey” page at <http://bethpowers.weebly.com/presenting-your-journey.html>
5. **Recall and practice all of your presentation strategies**
   * See recap of all strategies at <http://bethpowers.weebly.com/presenting-a-speech.html>
6. **Practice, practice, practice**
   * Test your talk on honest friends willing to give you constructive feedback

GENIUS HOUR PRESENTATION PLANNING SHEET

# tED TALK STYLE

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| **Title:** *Think up a descriptive title. Try to be creative.* |  |
| **Participant:** *First name only* |  |
| **Challenge:** *What challenge/goal/question drove your work?* |  |
| **Process:** *Explain your journey. Share your successes, your research, your growth. If there were any setbacks don’t be afraid to talk about them, too.* |  |
| **Reflection:** *What did you learn personally? How were you challenged and changed?* |  |
| **Product:** *Show the products of your work. What did you create to change your life or the world around you?* |  |
| **Motivation:** *Talk about your purpose or what the audience should learn from your project. Inspire your audience with your passion for your pursued activity.* |  |
| **Conclusion:** *Include a meaningful take-away.* |  |