



Table Topics /Impromptu Speaking.

What : Impromptu speaking is speaking on your feet without any notice, which is a great skills to have, in our personal and business lives.

Timing - **Green 60,** **Orange 75 seconds,** **Red 90 seconds**

(Aim for close to 90 seconds as you get better)

Table Topic Master - Normally only asks 6 Questions Maximum.

- **Short Introduction** – What is Table Topics?
- **Asks brief question** (related to theme) – Easy to Understand, which doesn't require very complex understanding.
- Questions should be engaging and Tasteful, related to theme.
- **Odd Evaluator** – Evaluates 3 Speakers.
- **Even Evaluator** - Evaluates 3 speakers

Helpful techniques:

- **Practice makes perfect** – the more you do it, the easier and better you become.
- **You can give yourself a moment to think** before you respond – you don't have to start talking straight away. Walk slowly to lectern.
- **Even introduce a delay**, such as walking the long way to the front.
- **Deviate Slightly:** If you really cannot think of an appropriate answer, then you can deviate from the question – you don't necessarily have to answer the question.



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Techniques:

- **Technique 1:** Use technique of : PAST, Present, Future
- **Technique 2:** Technique of : For and Against – both sides of argument
- **Technique 3:** Personal story – turn the question into personal experience
- **Technique 4:** Bring your family into the topic. It is a universal way to relate to people. When you talk of family, be sure to use their names, it creates a stronger emotional picture for the audience.

Handy Hints:

- Read a lot! Be Knowledgeable
- Organize your thoughts before you speak
- Structure your thoughts
- Remain calm!

Structure :

Table topics responses is still a speech, so it still should have structure.

- An introduction
- A body
- Conclusion



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Competitions:

A speech should be two minutes Long. Contestants who speak

< Less than one minute

> Than two minutes and 30 seconds

Will be disqualified

Time will begin with the first word uttered by the contestant.

Green: The green light will be turned on at one minute and remain on for 30 seconds.

Amber: amber light will be turned on at one minute and 30 seconds and remain on for 30 seconds.

RED: The red light will be turned on at two minutes and remain on until the speech is concluded.

No audible device, such as a buzzer, shall be used for the overtime period.