

Public Speaking Study Guide

Chapter 1

Five of these questions will be on the chapter quiz and the other five will be on the exam. While these questions are specifically from the 10th edition, you should be able to get the answers from previous editions as well.

1. As your textbook explains, many of the skills used in public speaking are the same as those used in everyday conversation. These skills include: _____
2. When you experience stage fright, your body is producing extra _____, a hormone that is released into the bloodstream in response to physical or mental stress.
3. What does your textbook recommend as a way to deal with stage fright? _____
4. Research has shown that the anxiety level of most speakers drops off significantly: _____
5. Dealing with such matters as the logical relationships among ideas, the soundness of evidence, and the differences between fact and opinion are all part of what your textbook calls: _____
6. As you listen to a speech about campus crime, you relate the speaker's ideas to your own knowledge, goals, and experience. According to your textbook, you are filtering the speech through your own: _____
7. As you present your speech, you notice that many of your listeners have interested looks on their faces and are nodding their heads in agreement with your ideas. According to your textbook, these reactions by your listeners are called: _____
8. According to your textbook, a listener anxious about an upcoming exam, worried about a recent argument with a friend, or distracted by cold air in the classroom would be experiencing: _____
9. Whatever a speaker communicates to someone else is termed the: _____
10. As your textbook explains, ethnocentrism means: _____