OBJECTIVES:
To present an inspirational speech in a simulated TED Conference environment. This may be an informative, persuasive or occasional speech. Bottom line: View this presentation as your “term paper” for the course. It is worth fifty (50) points.

LENGTH:
Ten (10) to twelve (12) minutes.

PROCEDURES:
1. Visit TED.com and surf that website. Learn about TED and view some of the presentations on this site.
2. Imagine yourself as a speaker at one of these TED events. We will attempt to simulate one of those TED events at our event that we’re calling HOPE X.
3. The theme of our event is “learning worth sharing.” You are to prepare a 10-12 minute presentation on learning that you’ve gained at Hope College that you want to share with others. It could be an academic research project learned in the classroom. It could be learning that occurred in the residence hall. And I’m confident many of you have gained valuable learnings from some of your extra curricular activities. And if any of you have completed an off-campus experience, it was likely ripe with learnings. It must tie our theme: learning worth sharing.
4. Your goal is to prepare an informative or persuasive presentation on a topic of great interest to you that you learned as part of your Hope College experience. [SPECIAL NOTE TO ACCOUNTING MAJORS: If you are taking this course to fill that requirement, your topic must be accounting related.]
5. Include a reference section of at least three (3) sources to build your credibility on the topic.
6. Practice your speech aloud.
7. If you must use notes, make a speaking outline on one file card.
8. Avoid using podium.
9. Dress appropriately for the situation you have imagined.
10. We will be delivering these presentations in an auditorium. Please invite family or friends to join us that night!

DEADLINES:
As scheduled on the Course Syllabus.

TEXT REFERENCE:
The entire book!

SPEAKING HINTS:
You must know these by now! If not, refer to previous Speech Guidelines.

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