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Spoken Communications

Piracy Can Be Ethical – Practice Practice Practice!

1. 12:00 PM – My Apartment
2. Wendee Bates (My Mother)
3. 11:35
4. Yes
5. Assessment
   1. I appear dressed and freshly showered
   2. I rocked a little bit, and talked with my hands a lot
   3. My eye contact was entirely on the script
   4. Voice
      1. Articulation and enunciation was good, except for some stumbles at the beginning as I was remembering the script
      2. I think volume was good for the room
      3. I talked a bit fast, and yet I took too long
      4. Having a script made it easier to not pause, except when I go off script and try to find my way back
6. Audience Member Assessment
   1. Appropriate clothing
   2. Gestures were great
   3. Looking entirely at the script
   4. Voice
      1. Articulation and enunciation good
      2. This was a digital meeting, but volume seemed alright
      3. Talked a bit too fast
      4. Paused and "broke character" at the beginning
7. 12:50 PM – My Apartment
8. Day Buck (Roommate)
9. 9:13
10. Yes
11. Assessment
    1. I appear dressed in regular clothes, nothing to note
    2. I talked with my hands, but sometimes absentmindedly without “intent”
    3. My eye contact was entirely on the script again, except for little unscripted bits
    4. Voice
       1. Sometimes stumbled over my tongue a few times while reading
       2. Volume was good for a 1 on 1 speech in a bedroom
       3. I talked slower and cut some content out to accommodate for the previous time
       4. Like I said before, having a script helps with pauses, but I sometimes mess up my speaking because I’m trying to find my place in the speech
12. Audience Member Assessment
    1. Clothes aren’t bad
    2. Gestures were good to keep attention
    3. Not a ton of eye contact
    4. Voice
       1. Articulation and enunciation mostly there, some mistakes
       2. Volume was not a problem
       3. Speed was normal
       4. Sometimes had trouble with a word here and there, but never lost momentum because of it