# Reading the Audience and Presenting

# Acting or Presenting?

When we present, we should not present as if there is no one else in the room.

Our relationship with the audience will dictate in part how much our work is trusted.

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Tips from Glassdoor

1. Practice!
   - Get feedback from people who see you practice!

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2. Plan, but never write out your whole presentation

- Know what you are talking about, but improvise on the delivery

- This is easy when you have spent enough time learning the material

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3. Think about your audience, not yourself.
- What do you want them to know?
- Describe how you learned the information you are sharing

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4. Present one point at a time, slowly.
- You will go too fast when you are nervous

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5. Trust yourself. Have a mantra to boost your confidence:
  - "I'm beautiful; someone loves me; I have a secret."

# Tips from my experience

6. Make it personal

- Be human, not a robot presenter, and your audience will absorb more of what you want to tell them

# Tips from my experience

7. Accept that you will make mistakes

# Tips from my experience

8. Don't take it personally

- People will ask questions

- This is GOOD, and does NOT mean that you are failing!

- Remember, you want your audience involved!

The best way to improve your presenting is to do it, and learn from your own mistakes