Journal 4: Elevator Pitch Reflection

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1. What was the most challenging part of putting your speech together? How did you overcome those challenges?

The most challenging part of putting the speech together was the organization of all the ideas and deciding *what* ideas deserved to be in the speech. I think I had many ideas when putting the speech together, but I had a hard time picking which ones were more important than others. It was difficult to let go of some of the ideas that I thought were important, but I did so to keep the speech short and simple.

2. Now that you have presented your speech, what do you think you did well?

I think I did a good job connecting my speech to others in a way that feels very human and natural. I also presented my passion for the topic well and didn't read from my notes page at all while speaking.

3. Now that you have presented your speech, what do you think you could improve on? How will you improve for the next speech?

I think I could improve my clarity in topics. I jumped around topics a little bit. I also think that I could organize my speech so that it prioritizes my more prevalent strengths and mentions ideas that my audience might be more interested in.

4. Looking forward to the next speech, which is an informative speech where you will either tell us about something or teach us how to do something, what ideas do you have in mind? What makes you choose this (these) topic(s)?

An idea that comes to mind is a speech about the virtual indie game studio I am apart of. This idea comes to mind because I'm very passionate about the indie scene in general, and I am a cofounder of the group.

5. The Informative Speech requires visual aids. What ideas do you have for visual aids for your speech?

I can put together a presentation that has a bunch of screenshots showing off the various projects the server has worked on.

6. Where do you think you will apply the public speaking skills you learn in this class in your future, professionally and/or personally?

These public speaking skills will easily be applied when talking to recruiters, speaking in front of an audience to showcase my team's newest game, and even recruiting employees myself one day.