How to. . . Presentations

Task 1: How to. . .
Today your group will work together to tell us how to do something. At each table you have been given a task card. Look at your task and discuss with your group the steps you will follow to tell us how to ___________. Think about the following questions as you prepare your mini-presentation. You can write your steps below.

• What materials will you need?
• What will you do first? Next? Last?
• Is there anything you must do? Should not do?

Listening Activity: How to . . . Presentation

1. Listen to the presentation.
2. Discuss the presentation with your group. Use these questions as a guide. You can add your own questions, too.
   a. What was the presentation about?
   b. What was interesting?
   c. What was confusing?
   d. Do you have questions? If so, write them in the space just below.

3. Listen to the presentation again (optional)
4. Ask the presenter questions about the presentation.
Giving a Good How to . . . Presentation

What makes a good How to . . . presentation?

Now let’s talk about the structure of a How to . . . presentation.

I am going on a very long hike this summer. If you are going to hike for a long time, then you need to carry your food with you. And if you are going to carry food with you, it can’t be heavy. Today, I’m going to show you how to make a very light meal for two that will stay good for a couple of months - chicken and vegetables with lo mein noodles. First, buy two packs of Knorr brand Teriyaki noodles, one package of frozen stir-fry vegetables and freeze dried chicken. Almonds are optional. Don’t forget the olive oil! Next, pour the vegetables onto the food dehydrator tray and dehydrate the vegetables overnight at 135 degrees. When the vegetables are completely dry, place them in a plastic Ziploc bag with the teriyaki noodle mixes and the almonds. Put the freeze dried chicken in a separate bag. You can use a food sealer if you want to remove all of the air from the packets. Finally, when you are ready to eat the meal, boil 3 cups water using your small stove. Add the noodle packet, the olive oil and the chicken packet. Turn off the heat and let it sit covered for 5 minutes. Voila! Now you have dinner after a long day of hiking!

Begin with an introduction that will grab listeners’ attention!

Finish your presentation with a conclusion.
Task 2: Sharing Your Knowledge: Giving a How to . . . Presentation

Talk with your group about things that you know how to do in your community, school, work, and/or home. Use these questions to guide your discussion.

What do you know how to do in your
  • community?
  • home?
  • school?
  • work?

How did you learn how to do this (or these)?

Think about your group. Is there something that you discussed that only you know how to do? Maybe this would be a good topic for a How to . . . Presentation!

Use the space below to prepare for your presentation. Look at the Feedback Form and make sure you include all elements of a good presentation.