

Things to ponder as you prepare *your* talk. Seems grading of your talks should be based on these.

- ran through several graphs at once
- some of the colors were hard to read
- preferred to just look at the speaker because the slides contained a lot of words
- all of the points on the slide at once was a bit distracting
- didn't understand how the slide that was being shown applied to the overall theme
- actively engaged the audience, regular eye contact
- there was a chronological order to the slides
- increase fonts of text in figures, some had fonts too small to read even in the front row
- the topic wasn't extremely interesting to me
- some slides didn't have pictures to demonstrate the subject
- too much use of a laser can be distracting
- liked the idea of a brief outline right up front
- have "checkpoint" slides to make sure my audience can follow all the information
- at change of topics, an outline slide would have a new topic in a different color
- avoid using the mouse key to advance slides, use the keyboard space bar
- slides were simple and clean
- kept the audience involved by asking questions
- speaker kept me engaged even though the topic was not that interesting to me
- bringing back earlier topics helped me stay focused
- liked the personal connection to the science that the speaker provided
- all of the slides had titles so I knew what to take away from each slide
- keep pace of seminar in mind