Public Speaking Fundamentals and History

Public Speaking · Answer Key · 10 Questions

1. What is the medical term used to describe the fear of public speaking?

A) Glossophobia
B) Acrophobia
C) Claustrophobia
D) Arachnophobia

2. Which type of speech is delivered on the spot without any prior preparation?

A) Persuasive speech
B) Impromptu speech
C) Manuscript speech
D) Memorized speech

3. In classical rhetoric, which term refers to appealing to an audience's emotions?

A) Ethos
B) Pathos
C) Logos
D) Kairos

4. In which city did Martin Luther King Jr. deliver his famous 'I Have a Dream' speech in 1963?

A) New York City
B) Chicago
C) Washington, D.C.
D) Atlanta

5. What term describes non-verbal communication expressed through facial expressions, posture, and gestures?

A) Vocalics
B) Body language
C) Linguistics
D) Syntax

6. Which international educational organization helps members improve public speaking skills through local club meetings?

A) Debate International
B) Toastmasters International
C) Rotary Club
D) Model United Nations

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7. What is the primary function of an 'attention getter' at the start of a presentation?

A) To list all reference sources

B) To capture the audience's interest immediately

C) To summarize the conclusion

D) To announce the speaker's biography

8. Which U.S. President delivered the historic 273-word 'Gettysburg Address' in 1863?

A) George Washington

B) Abraham Lincoln

C) Thomas Jefferson

D) Theodore Roosevelt

9. In vocal delivery, what does the term 'pace' refer to?

A) The loudness of the voice

B) The speed at which words are spoken

C) The pitch of the voice

D) The length of the pauses

10. What is the maximum standard time limit enforced for a traditional individual TED Talk presentation?

A) 5 minutes

B) 18 minutes

C) 45 minutes

D) 60 minutes

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