Giving an ineffective PowerPoint presentation to students and teachers using Beyond the Book Report Season Three

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Opening Slide

- Using text in your PowerPoint presentations
- Using pictures in your PowerPoint presentations
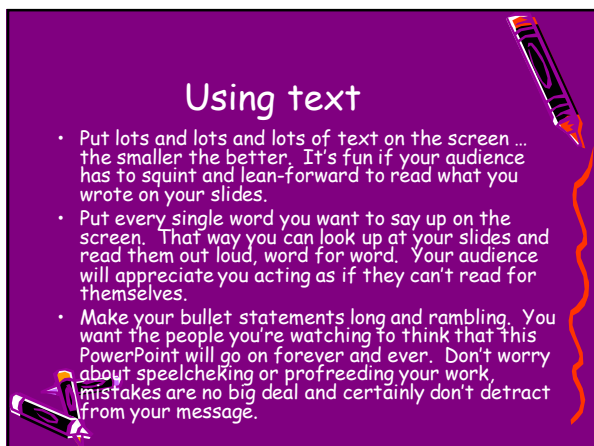- Using animations and background in your PowerPoint presentations

Using text

- Put lots and lots and lots of text on the screen … the smaller the better. It's fun if your audience has to squint and lean-forward to read what you wrote on your slides.
- Put every single word you want to say up on the screen. That way you can look up at your slides and read them out loud, word for word. Your audience will appreciate you acting as if they can't read for themselves.
- Make your bullet statements long and rambling. You want the people you're watching to think that this PowerPoint will go on forever and ever. Don't worry about speelcheking or profreeding your work, mistakes are no big deal and certainly don't detract from your message.

Using Pictures

- Use as many pictures as you can possibly fit on a slide. People like looking at one-inch high images that all look alike!
- Don't worry about captions. It's not like each image is important, you just want lots of stuff on your slide!

Using animation and backgrounds

- Use animation that is slow and distracting
- Make it take FOREVER before the whole text is on the screen
- Use bright, blinky, distracting backgrounds that have nothing to do with your topic
- Make sure you overlap your text over the images on the background so it's hard for people to read

Summary

- Put as much text as possible on your slide so that your audience spends all their time reading and no time listening to what you have to say.
- Use as many pictures as you can, even if they have nothing to do with your topic.
- Use tons of animation and really annoying backgrounds to distract your audience.