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Answer Key: Speak Up and Stand Out: 7th Grade Public Speaking Basics Quiz

Evaluate foundational delivery skills and non-verbal cues to help students identify what makes a presentation persuasive or forgettable.

1. Which of the following is an example of 'non-verbal communication' during a speech?

Answer: B) Making eye contact with the audience

Non-verbal communication involves conveying messages without words, such as through body language, facial expressions, and eye contact.

2. What does it mean to speak with a good 'volume' during a presentation?

Answer: C) Speaking loudly enough for everyone to hear

Volume refers to the loudness or softness of a speaker's voice; it must be loud enough to reach the back of the room.

3. When a speaker uses 'pacing' effectively, what are they doing?

Answer: B) Speaking at a speed that is easy to follow

Pacing is the speed at which you talk. Good pacing ensures you don't talk too fast (due to nerves) or too slow (boring the audience).

4. What is the primary purpose of an 'introduction' in a short speech?

Answer: C) To grab attention and state the main topic

The introduction serves to hook the audience's interest and clearly define what the presentation will be about.

5. Which of these is a helpful tip for managing 'public speaking anxiety'?

Answer: A) Practice your speech in front of a mirror

Practicing in front of a mirror or a small group builds confidence and helps the speaker become familiar with their material.