Communication strategies for public speaking: How business leaders in TED attract and guide their audience effectively

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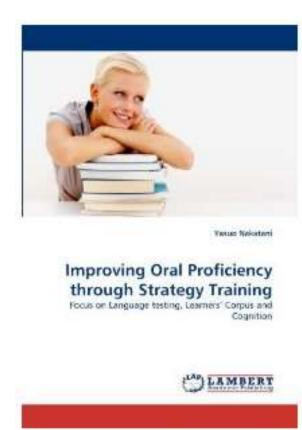
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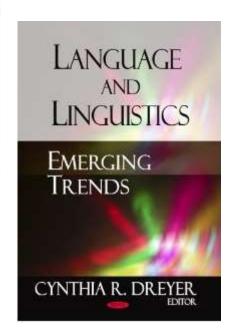


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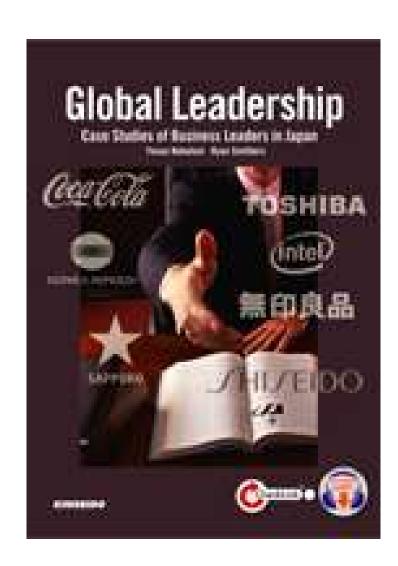




Global Leadership

- Case Studies of Business Leaders in Japan

Kinseido



Outline

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Ice-breaking: Your favorite speech
- 3. Good speakers & good speeches
- 4. Discussion:

Analyzing a speech

- 5. Corpus linguistics
- 6. Making a speech
- 7. Summary

Ice-breaking time

Group work 1

- 1. Introducing yourself to members
- 2. Your favorite speaker and why?

Let's discuss

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What are the features of
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Good speakers

and

Good speeches?

Good Speakers

- Well-dressed
- Good postures
- Clear voice
- Well-prepared
- Good body language

Good Speeches

- Easy to understand
- Well-organized
- Interesting
- Memorable
- Informative

Listener-centred!

Current Problems

- Research in business presentation
 Bhatia (2008), Clark(2008)
 - Few studies investigating discourse
 - Developing comprehensive learning models

Theory 1

Public Speaking 1

Theory 1 Τέχνη 'Ρητορική: Aristotle' 3

- Ethos : Credibility
- Pathos: Emotional

Appealing to audiences' emotions

- 1. Difficulties 2. Challenge 3. Victory
- Logos : Logical

Persuading by the use of reasoning

Public Speaking 2

Logic: Linguistic Approaches Focus on discourse

- Genre analysis
 Business genre
- 2. Communication strategies Negotiating with audience

Speech Can Change the World

Let's analyze the good speech! "I have a dream"

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Analysis

- -Pathos
 - Leader of Civil Right Movement
- Ethos
 - 1. Difficulties 2. Challenge 3. Victory
- Logos I We Now
 - I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

Listener Centred?

Listeners can follow and understand

-AIDMA

A: Attention

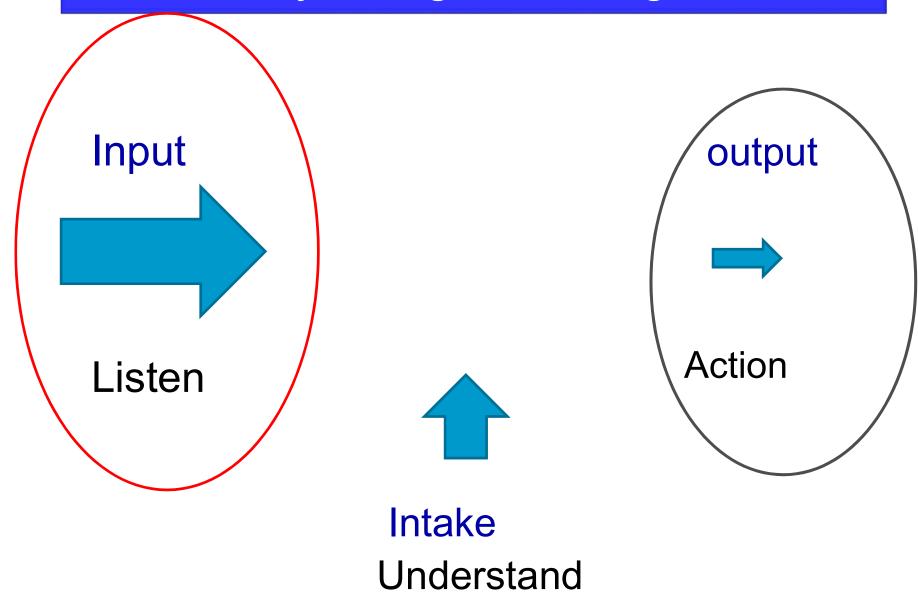
I: Interest

D: Desire

M: Memory

A: Action

Memory: Cognitive Linguistics



Make Audience Remember

How can people remember things?

1. Frequency

Repetition:

e.g. 3 Keywords

2. Salience

New, Interesting, Surprising

Booster

absolutely, astonishing, amazing

Your speech!

Choosing a Topic

New, interesting or surprising issue

- Ethos
 - 1. Difficulties, 2. Challenge, 3. Victory
- Pair work

Asking questions

Why?

Write Introduction of Speech!

Making one-minute speech

- Writing the first sentence
 New, interesting or surprising issue
 Number, Story, History, Humor
- Introduction3-4 sentences

Theory 2

Hypothesis

- Business Peoples' TED Speeches (BTED)
 can be an ideal goal for training
- -BTED
 - 1. Business expressions
 - 2. Presentation characteristics
 - 3. Effective communication strategies
- How to attract and move audience?
- How to guide, persuade them and let them take actions?

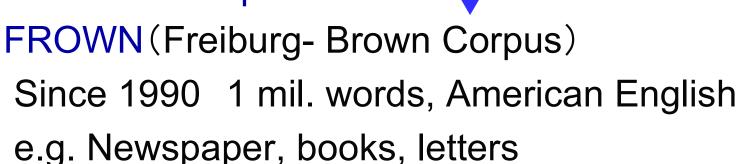
Corpus Linguistics

Quantitative data and statistics

BTED Corpus

Business Genre in TED: 99 leaders e.g. Jeff Bezos, Bill Gates, Larry Page 231,712 words, 15,239 sentences

Reference Corpus



Analysis

1. WordSmith 5.0

Investigating representative words of BTED

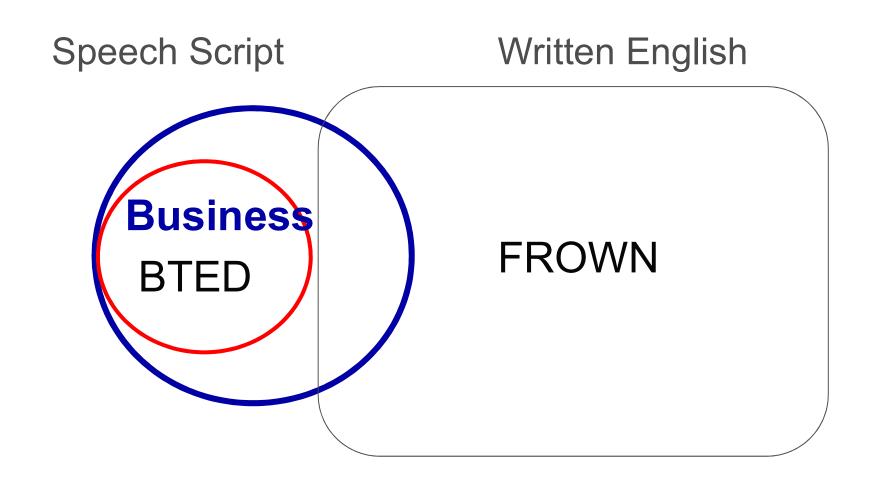
Keyword Analysis

Log Likelihood test: Keyness

p < 0.0001: critical value = 15.13

- 2. High-frequency word clusters
- 3. Inductive: Date driven approach

Image of Analysis



Guess What?

Let's talk with group members

What kinds of words are frequently used by business leaders and why?

Overview

N	Key word	Freq.	%	RC. Freq.	RC. %	Keyness
1	YOU	3372	1.5	3809	0.3	3868.9
2	WE	2957	1.3	2885	0.2	3844
3	THIS	2671	1.2	4081	0.3	2222.7
4	SO	1858	0.8	2055	0.2	2166.4
5	IT'S	1145	0.5	762	0.1	1931.5
6	THAT	4674	2	11641	0.9	1747.3
7		3200	1.4	6795	0.5	1639

Results Word Clusters

N	Cluster	Freq.	Length	Related		
1	YOU CAN SEE	87	3	YOU CAN	SEE THAT	Γ (13),AND
2	YOU WANT TO	55	3	IF YOU W	ANT TO (1	2),DO YOU
3	YOU HAVE TO	52	3			
4	AND IF YOU	51	3	AND IF YO	OU THINK	(5),AND IF
5	TO TELL YOU	41	3	TO TELL	YOU ABOL	JT (10),GO
6	AND YOU KNOW	41	3	AND YOU	KNOW WH	IAT (6)
7	THAT YOU CAN	40	3	SO THAT	YOU CAN	(7)
8	AND YOU CAN	40				

Communication Strategies 1

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You, We
Guiding and persuading audience

    Guiding audience

 Visual support
  As you can see (87), If you look (29)
Sending signals
  I'm going / I want to tell you (41)
  Let me tell you (17), Let's (23)
  We are doing (50)
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Communication Strategies 2

Raising Awareness

you know what? (31), This is what (35)

This is what I found out. I discovered that there's a movement for a better way.

Communication Strategies 3

Persuasion

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if you want to... (21)
we need to (77), we have to (70), share (60)
Action
we can do (30), I want you to (13)
you can do (27), you have to (52)
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"I want you to know that we can all make a difference by making different choices, by buying our food directly from local farmers,..."

(Birke Baehr)

Examples

- And you know what? Actually, I think they've got a point.
- And that's the final message that I want to share with all of you -- that you can do well online.
 But no longer is the message going to be coming from just the top down. If you want to succeed you've got to be okay to just lose control.
 Thank you. (Alexis Ohanian)

Logical Move 1

Move: The number of 3
Introduction, Body, Conclusion

Introduction

- I → We Rapport building
- Credibility

Self-introduction, Purpose, Goal

Salience

- Thesis statements
 - 3 keywords

Logical Move 2

Body: Comprehension & persuasion We

3 Paragraphs: 3 key words

Paragraph: 3 steps

Topic sentence

Supporting sentence

Example

General



Specific

Conclusion You (Now)

Summary and implications

3 keywords to 1 concept

Results 2 Vocabularies

1. Business Genre Words

brand, business, company, financial, invest market, money, product, profit Implications:

2. Boosters

really (601), actually (463), absolutely (34), incredibly (64), incredible (47), amazing (40) completely (38)

Results 3

Pathos 3 elements p < 0.0001

1. Difficulties

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problem(s)(308), waste (90), corruption(37), crisis (41), hard (98), poverty (53), poor(88)
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2. Challenge

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try (103), challenge (38), experiment (34)
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3. Victory and sustainability

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solve (38), solution(s) (62), create (114) innovation(s) (133), sustainable (43), sustainability (14)
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The number of 3

Three (230)

- And I think there are really three things we can take away...
- So these three guys all understand how...
- I'm going to tell you three stories on the way to...
- I'm going to take three trends that have taken...
- So those are just three quick suggestions...

Let's Write Body

3 Pathos elements

1. Difficulties

Topic sentence: General

Supporting sentences: Explanation

E.g.

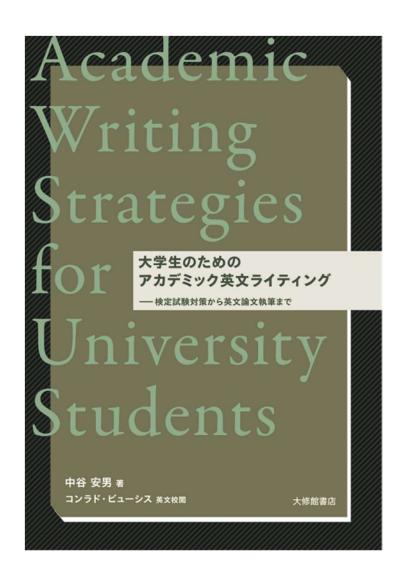
2. Challenge

3. Victory and sustainability

Writing Conclusion

Summary

ImplicationsYou



Conclusions

Business genre words
 Word list

BoostersSalience

Pathos 3 elements
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- Communication strategies
 Guiding, Persuasion, Negotiation, Action
- The number of 3

Next?

- Hedge
- More Communication Strategies

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e.g. Metadiscourse
Now, So
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FLOB (British English)

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Japanese CEO
Few I, We, You
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Cheers!