PRACTISING YOUR PRESENTATION

WHY YOU SHOULD PRACTISE

To build your confidence and to help lessen your nerves

To ensure that you look professional

To learn your presentation so you do not read it out but can just use prompts

To identify where your presentation might need some adjustment

WHAT YOU SHOULD PRACTISE

Timing - you will be given a time limit for your presentation (like a word limit for an essay), and you may lose marks if you are under or over it

Content – memorising it

Body language, including eye contact

Voice level - if you can be heard at the back of the room

Using the equipment in the room; for example a computer or projector

Visual aids - if they can be seen clearly from the back of the room

WHEN AND HOW YOU SHOULD PRACTISE

Practice as your preparation progresses - you will need several practices!
Rehearse for real, as if you are delivering your presentation on the day
Ask someone to listen to you, who will give an honest opinion on the above issues
Alternatively, practise in front of a mirror, or film yourself

WHERE YOU SHOULD PRACTISE

Practice anywhere to start with

You must also practice in the room in which you will deliver your presentation (for voice levels, the visibility of your visual aids, and the equipment in the room)

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