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# Unit-V Forms Of Communication

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## The Telephone in Communication

### •Importance of the Telephone:

- Fast, direct, and personal communication tool.
- Used for both formal and informal communication.

### •Key Points for Effective Telephone Communication:

- Be Prepared: Know the purpose of the call.
- Speak Clearly: Use a friendly, professional tone.
- Listen Actively: Ensure the other party feels heard.
- **Take Notes:** Record important information during the conversation.
- End Politely: Summarize action steps and confirm any followup.

# **Handling Complaints and Grievances**

### Understanding Complaints and Grievances:

- Complaint: Dissatisfaction with a product or service.
- **Grievance:** A more formal complaint, often related to workplace issues.

### •Steps to Handle Complaints and Grievances:

- **Listen Actively:** Give the customer or employee your full attention.
- **Empathize:** Acknowledge their feelings.
- Apologize if Necessary: Apologize for the inconvenience caused.
- Offer Solutions: Provide a resolution or alternative.

# **Answering Enquiries**

### • Effective Enquiry Handling:

- **Be Prompt:** Respond to inquiries quickly to maintain trust.
- Provide Accurate Information: Ensure your response is correct and clear.
- Maintain Professionalism: Be polite, courteous, and respectful.
- Clarify the Request: If unclear, ask questions to better understand the enquiry.
- **Follow-up:** Offer additional assistance if needed, ensuring the customer's needs are fully met.

## **Interviews**

### •Purpose of Interviews:

- To assess qualifications, skills, and cultural fit (in job interviews).
- To gather information or opinions (in journalistic or research interviews).

### Key Steps in Conducting an Interview:

- **Preparation:** Review the candidate's resume or the interview topic beforehand.
- Questioning: Use open-ended questions to gather detailed responses.
- Active Listening: Pay attention and follow up on interesting points.
- Closing: End with a thank you and outline the next steps.

# **Interview Techniques**

### •For Interviewers:

- **Structured Questions:** Ensure consistency across interviews for comparison.
- **Behavioral Questions:** Use questions that explore past behavior as an indicator of future performance.
- Non-verbal Cues: Observe body language and other non-verbal signals.
- Active Listening: Listen more than you speak and avoid interrupting.

# Suggestions for a Successful Speech

### Preparation is Key:

- Know Your Audience: Understand their expectations and background.
- Organize Your Thoughts: Structure your speech logically (Introduction, Body, Conclusion).
- **Practice:** Rehearse your speech several times to gain confidence.

### •Delivery Tips:

- Start Strong: Capture the audience's attention right away.
- Maintain Eye Contact: Engage your audience with direct eye contact.
- Vary Your Tone: Avoid a monotonous tone; vary your pitch and speed.
- **Use Pauses:** Use pauses for emphasis and to give your audience time to digest information.

# Qualities of a Good Speaker

**Confidence:** Speak with conviction and self-assurance.

Clarity: Articulate your ideas clearly and concisely.

**Engagement:** Maintain interest through storytelling, humor, or interesting facts.

**Authenticity:** Be yourself; authenticity helps build trust with your audience.

**Listening:** Be responsive to feedback and questions during the speech.

# **Summary**

- •Effective Communication is Key: Whether oral or written, communication impacts your professional and personal success.
- •Tools and Techniques: From the telephone to teleconferencing, choosing the right medium for your message is crucial.
- •Good Speaker Qualities: A strong speaker connects with the audience, conveys messages clearly, and engages effectively.

#### **Model Speech Example 1**

- •Topic: The Importance of Communication in the Workplace
- •Outline: Introduction (Importance), Body (Impact on collaboration and productivity), Conclusion (Encouragement for improvement).

#### **Model Speech Example 2**

- •Topic: Overcoming Challenges in Modern Communication
- •Outline: Introduction (Current communication issues), Body (Digital divide, misunderstandings), Conclusion (Solutions and adaptation).

#### **Word Processors in Communication**

- •**Definition:** Software used for writing, editing, and formatting text documents.
- •Benefits: Easy editing, formatting, spell check, and accessibility.
- •Examples: Microsoft Word, Google Docs.

#### **Telex Communication**

- •Definition: Telecommunication system for sending written messages over long distances.
- •Usage: Previously used for business and government communication.
- •Current Status: Replaced by fax and email.

#### **Fax Communication**

•Definition: A method of sending documents via telephone lines.

•Pros: Quick delivery of hard copy documents.

•Cons: Limited to paper-based communication, quality issues.

#### **Email Communication**

•Definition: Electronic mail for sending and receiving digital messages.

•Benefits: Speed, convenience, and global reach.

•Best Practices: Clear subject lines, concise language, professional tone.

#### **Teleconferencing**

•Definition: Communication through audio or video across distances.

•Benefits: Saves time, reduces costs, allows collaboration.

•Tools: Zoom, Skype, Google Meet, Microsoft Teams.

#### **Choosing the Right Communication Tool**

- •Factors to Consider:
  - Urgency of message.
  - Formality.
  - Target audience.
  - Available technology.

#### **Challenges in Modern Communication**

- •Issues: Miscommunication, technical failures, language barriers, cultural differences.
- •Solutions: Clear messaging, regular feedback, and adaptability.

#### **Interview Techniques**

- •Purpose: Assessing candidates or gathering information.
- •Types of Interviews: Structured, unstructured, and semi-structured.
- •Tips

### **Handling Complaints and Grievances**

- •Approach: Active listening, empathy, and problem-solving.
- •Steps:
  - Listen actively.
  - Acknowledge the issue.
  - Offer solutions.
  - Follow up.

# **Answering Enquiries**

- Clarity: Provide clear, concise, and accurate information.
- **Politeness**: Be courteous and respectful, even if the question seems simple.
- Tone of Voice: Ensure a friendly and helpful tone.
- Follow-Up: Offer to assist further if needed.

# Tips for Ensuring the Success of an Interview

- Be Authentic: Be yourself; honesty creates trust.
- **Stay Positive**: Focus on your strengths and how they align with the role.
- Ask Questions: Show interest in the role and the organization by asking thoughtful questions.
- Follow-Up: Send a thank-you email after the interview.

# Suggestions to Ensure the Success of a Good Speech

- **Know Your Audience**: Tailor your message to the audience's interests and understanding.
- Structure: Have a clear introduction, body, and conclusion.
- Practice: Rehearse to improve delivery and reduce anxiety.
- **Engage Your Audience**: Use eye contact, ask questions, and involve them in your speech.

# Qualities of a Good Speaker

- Confidence: Speak with authority and clarity.
- Clarity: Avoid jargon and use simple, understandable language.
- **Engagement**: Capture the audience's attention and maintain it throughout.
- Empathy: Understand the audience's needs and respond accordingly.
- Adaptability: Be able to adjust your speech based on audience feedback.

### **Conclusion and Key Takeaways**

- •Summary: Effective communication is essential in personal, professional, and global contexts.
- •Final Thought: Mastering different forms of communication enhances relationships and productivity.