

Ozlilly's musings... My 7 minute Toastmasters speech covering 23 topics

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I just went live on [FaceBook](#) and gave an impromptu talk. I made reference to [Toastmasters](#). Then I tried to finish my talk within the prescribed time for a regular speech in Toastmasters, which is seven minutes. Issue is however that I did not start timing until after I had already started speaking. And the impromptu speech in Toastmasters is one to two minutes. A prepared speech in Toastmasters is typically seven minutes. And the characteristics of a prepared speech are it has a purpose; a beginning; a middle and a conclusion.

I did my typical waffling on covering about 20 different topics and then saw my timer and signed off.

My topics were:

1. My compulsion to want to improve things;
2. The WFWP Youth Conference;
3. Learning by Doing;
4. Facebook Groups;
5. Spirituality;
6. Toastmasters;
7. Dream Job UN;
8. The Digital Divide;
9. Generation Gap;
10. Being a Parent;
11. Not being a Grandparent;
12. Motivation;
13. Inspiration;
14. Visibility;
15. My Parents;
16. Spiritual atmosphere;
17. History;
18. Music School;
19. Culture;
20. Cultural desert;
21. Piano lessons;
22. Vienna Boys Choir;
23. Becoming by Michelle Obama

Wow! I thought I could maybe count twenty-one topics and it has even gone beyond! So what do I learn? Maybe I should really be a public speaker? Is my repertoire really so broad? Can I really talk about so many things? Surely it is more important to just focus?

Perhaps I should not be multitasking? I'm currently listening to an interview while I write. Meanwhile the WFWP Youth conference has begun again. I am involved in another programme this afternoon so I will not be rejoining the WFWP Youth meeting now. In fact I have a dentist appointment and really want to get this blog post launched before I leave the house. I've already posted the link to the live on FaceBook above.