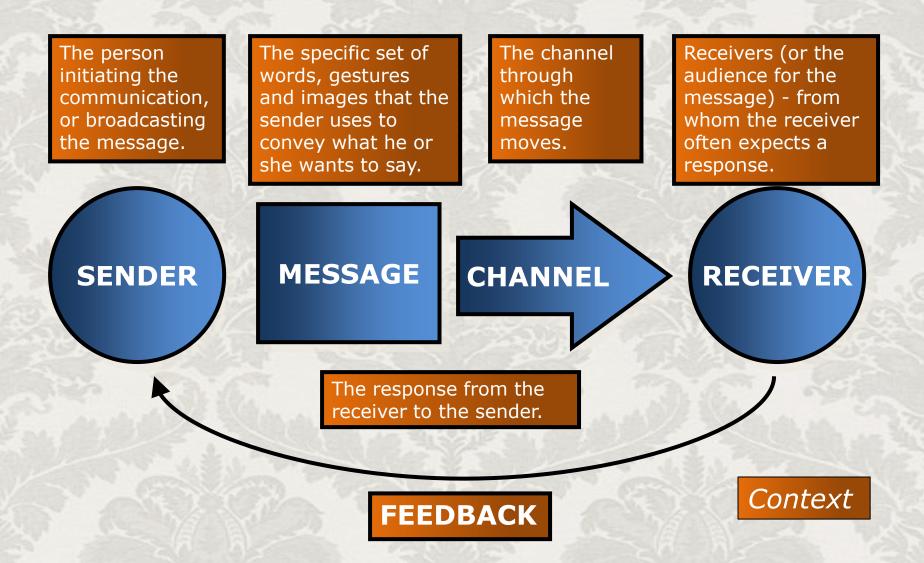


What is Communication?

Communication is **sending or receiving ideas**, **thoughts or feelings** from one person to one or more persons in such a way that, the person receiving it **understands** it in the **same** way the sender wants him/her to understand.



The Communication Process



Verbal vs Written Communication

Verbal – All Verbal	Verbal – Face-To- Face	Written	
Advantages	Advantages	Advantages	
FlexibleDeliveryDelivered at	verbal plus: o More personal, so better motivation o Allows non-verbal signals to aid getting message	 A record exists of the message Allows receiver to repeat message until it is fully understood Good for complex or lengthy messages Allows receiver to digest message at own pace. 	

Source: Better Business Writing - Maryann V. Piotrowski 1995



Verbal Communication



Verbal Communication Pointers

- Make your messages appropriate to the receiver.
- Use understandable language but not slang.
- Be aware of how long you speak. As a general rule, try to express your message in a limited amount of time (no more than 15 seconds in a normal day-to-day conversation) and then switch to listening.
- Focus on one topic at a time.
- Try to be positive, even when talking about negative situations.





Rules for Communication

1. Ensure it fits the purpose

2.	A.B.C:	3.	K.I.S.S	4.	Deliver information in 3 stages:
	Accuracy	e	Keep		Introduction
	Brevity		It		Main body of content
	Clarity	13	Short	13	Summary
S			Simple		

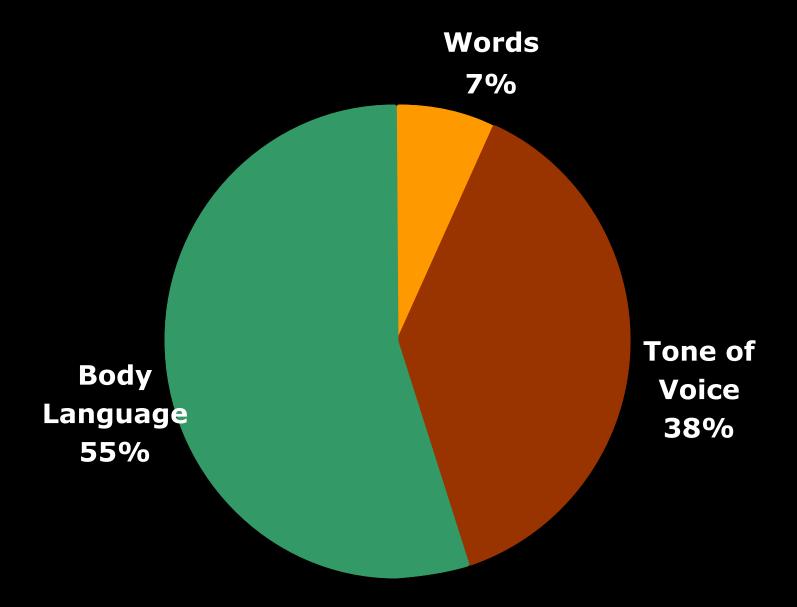
Ways to Encourage Communication

- Effective ways to elicit information:
 - Asking EffectiveQuestions
 - Intently Listening





Non-Verbal Communication



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Positive Non-Verbal Communications

- Smiling there is nothing like a smile and pleasant face to greet a customer, especially if he/she has a complaint.
- Eye contact always look into your customer's eyes. Directly address customers.
- How you look personal grooming has a big impact on your customers. Let customers know you take seriously your position.
- Shaking hands when shaking hands with a customer a firm and professional handshake is expected.





"Communication is really all anyone ever gets paid for ultimately...and if you cannot effectively communicate...you will PAY...not get paid."
- Doug Firebaugh

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