

Mistakes Made in Your PowerPoint Presentation

1. _____ Your name was missing from the title slide.
2. _____ You had NO historical question slide.
3. _____ You changed your historical question and didn't get my OK on that change.
4. _____ Your historical question was poorly worded.
5. _____ Your presentation did NOT prove/disprove your historical question.
6. _____ No bibliography **OR** too few bibliographic sources.
7. _____ Too many slides of plain text [with no contrasting colors for titles, bullets, etc.]
8. _____ Bullets had TOO much text on each [use phrases and create more slides rather than trying to fit everything on one slide!]
9. _____ Your text colors were too hard to read [because of your background].
10. _____ Boldface your titles / text for easier reading.
11. _____ Text is TOO SMALL!
12. _____ You kept changing colors / fonts / backgrounds → your presentation was TOO BUSY and dizzying to read!
13. _____ You had TOO MANY animations [every bullet flew in/swooshed in with sound, etc.]
14. _____ Many of your graphics were FUZZY.
15. _____ Too few graphics for the topic chosen.
16. _____ Slide content superficial [even after looking at speaker notes].
17. _____ Slide content in some areas is irrelevant to proving your historical question.