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Oral Communication — Practice Test

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1 **A confident speaker standing at a wooden podium with a microphone before an audience. A speaker who frames an issue at the start is**



- **A** shaping how listeners will understand what follows
- **B** hiding the main point
- **C** listing all counterarguments
- **D** asking for audience votes

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2 **In a seminar, a participant who synthesizes several views is**

- A repeating the last speaker only
- B choosing one view and ignoring others
- C ending the seminar early
- D drawing ideas together into a new understanding

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3 **The most effective use of humour in a formal talk is to**

- A make the audience laugh constantly
- B avoid the main topic
- C open rapport without undermining the serious argument
- D replace evidence with jokes

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4 **A speaker who signals a shift in a talk with a phrase like turning to the evidence is**

- A repeating the thesis needlessly
- B helping listeners track the structure
- C wasting time on filler phrases
- D showing uncertainty about the topic

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5 **When a listener challenges a claim, the speaker should first**

- A understand the challenge before responding
- B defend the claim at once
- C dismiss the listener view
- D repeat the claim louder

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ANSWER KEY

1. A
2. D
3. C
4. B
5. A

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