

Educational: The Role of the Grammarian

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The Grammarian's Role covers the three cornerstones of Toastmasters:

- Better Thinking
- Better Listening
- Better Speaking

Better Thinking

The Grammarian Thinks ...

- Research – check Agenda – is there a theme?
- Word/Saying of the Day
 - Special word
 - Tied to theme
 - Increase vocabulary
 - Prepare definition and examples of use
 - Prepare visual aid for display
 - Prepare checklist or report template

Better Listening

The Grammarian Listens ...

- Listen to all speakers
- Write down:
 - Examples of good use of language
 - Awkward or misuse of language
 - Ums, ahs, crutch words, sounds
 - Fillers, slang, mispronunciation

Better Speaking

The Grammarian Speaks ...

(1) Beginning of Meeting (2 mins)

- Why your role is important
- What you will be doing
- When you will be giving your report
- Announce word/theme with explanation

(2) End of Meeting (2 mins)

- Report on findings
- Be concise, fun, informative
- Be generous with positive feedback

Credits – Competent Leadership Award Projects

Completion of the Grammmarian role gains credit in the following Projects:

1. Listening and Leadership
2. Critical Thinking
3. Giving Feedback
4. Time Management

Resources

- Competent Communicator Manual
- Competent Leader Manual
- Dictionary, Thesaurus, Newspaper
- Personal resources, books, magazines
- Internet and club website