# Communication for Lawyers – general introduction

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A lawyer cannot be great lawyer with low communication skills

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- "What you said your name was?"

#### To Think About...

 Try to think of a real situation in which you did not communicate the way you think you should.

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c) Do I REALLY LISTEN? Pay attention!

## "unexpected" speech

- Past presence future
- Not talking about oneself

## A Few Tips for Presentations ...

- Speak about topic you like be enthusiastic
- Who are you talking to?
- Use a story
- Have friendly talk
- Use appropriate gestures
- Make your point easy to remember
- Have your listeners employ more senses

#### **A Short Task**

What is your favorite topic? Something about law? Or sport? Or something else?

Tell us about it in five-minute long speech.

You have five minutes to prepare.

#### Non-verbal communication

The strength of non-verbal communication

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9RmSQm9 \_o-c

3:10 - 7:11

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## **A Final Question**

 Is there any area in which you would like to improve your communication skills?

## A One More Question ©

What particular steps you will take in order to improve your communication skills in the next two weeks?

## **Questions?**

Thank you for attention

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