TED x IELTS: Talk Nerdy to Me

Listen to a speaker talk about the importance of good communication. While you listen, answer the ten questions below.

QUESTIONS 1-6 (Sentence Completion) You should write NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS for each answer.

The speaker argues that 1. _______________ and 2. _______________ need to be better at communicating.

The first question they must answer is 3. _______________? In other words, why is their science relevant to us?

They can help people understand their ideas by avoiding 4. _______________.

A good example of this are the words 5. ____________________________ which can easily be expressed as space and time.

However, that doesn't mean they need to 6. _______________. Ideas should be kept as simple as possible, but not made any simpler.

QUESTIONS 7-10 (Multiple Choice) Choose ONE ANSWER for each question.

7. What does the speaker say about bullet points?
   A. They are dangerous to humans.
   B. They depend too much on language.
   C. They should be banned from presentations.

8. Why does the speaker mention the Eiffel Tower?
   A. It's a useful analogy.
   B. It has a unique design.
   C. It prevents tourists from getting lost.

9. The purpose of the equation is to:
   A. Define the relevance to your audience
   B. Find your true passion
   C. Improve your conversations

10. What do you think is the speaker's occupation?
    A. Scientist
    B. Engineer
    C. Neither of the above

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