Making Meaningful Posters



- Know your audience
- Tell a story: "ORB"
 - Objectives/research
 Questions
 - Relevancy: why should your audience care
 - **Big** Takeaways
- K.I.S.S.: Keep It Simple Silly
- Use a 30-40 second overview

- Design with accessibility in mind: fonts & colors
- Potential audience members take mere seconds to decide to visit: Titles & colors matter
- Conceal clutter: Use QR codes and tiny URLs
- More than a poster:Bring meaningful props





Myths & Misconceptions



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- I need complete sentences and details.
- My poster should be formatted like a paper.
- I need to avoid white space.
- People will only read my poster from 4 feet or less away.
- A good overview is 3 minutes long.
- My poster needs to work even if I'm not there.
- In group projects the more presenters the better.



