



# THE SPEAKTIPS EMERGENCY SCRIPT VAULT

Your "In-Case-of-Emergency" Guide for Public Speaking

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Congratulations! You now have the "secret weapons" used by professional speakers to stay calm when things go wrong. Most speakers panic; you will pivot.



# 1. THE "BRAIN FOG" RECOVERY

## Scenario

You're mid-speech, and suddenly you have no idea what comes next.

## The Script

"I want to make sure I give you the exact right data on this next point; I'm going to take a brief 'pro-pause' to check my notes.  
Check notes, breathe, smile.  
Right!  
Let's talk about: Next Topic"

## Pro-Tip

Don't apologize. Silence feels like an hour to you but only seconds to the audience.



## 2. THE TECHNICAL FAILURE PIVOT

### Scenario

Your slides won't load, the clicker is broken or the video has no sound.

### The Script

"It looks like the technology is trying to take a coffee break! But the good news is, the most important part of this presentation isn't on that screen—it's right here in this room. Let's continue with the 'unplugged' version while the team looks at the tech."

### Pro-Tip

Keep moving. If you stop the speech to fix the tech, you lose the audience's energy.



### 3. THE HOSTILE OR "TRAP" QUESTION

#### Scenario

An audience member asks something to make you look bad or "catch" you.

#### The Script

"That is a very specific angle that I know several people here might have different views on. To give that question the depth it deserves without sidetracking our main session, let's catch up for two minutes at the side of the stage immediately after we wrap up."

#### Pro-Tip

This maintains your authority and moves the "conflict" to a private setting.



## 4. THE "RUNNING OUT OF TIME" SAVIOR

### Scenario

You look at the clock and realize you have 1 minute left but 3 pages of notes.

### The Script

"I have so much more I want to share with you, but I respect your time too much to run over. I'm going to skip the 'nice-to-haves' and give you the single most important takeaway you need to know today: Your Main Point."

### Pro-Tip

Never tell the audience what they missed. Just give them the best "gold nugget" and sit down.



## 5. THE DAY-OF CHECKLIST (Bonus)

The "Water Test": Is there room-temperature water nearby? (Cold water tightens vocal cords).

The "First 60": Do you know your opening 60 seconds by heart?

The "Fly": Is your zipper up? (Seriously, check it).

Support: If you have questions about using these scripts, visit us at [Speaktips.com](https://www.speaktips.com)

