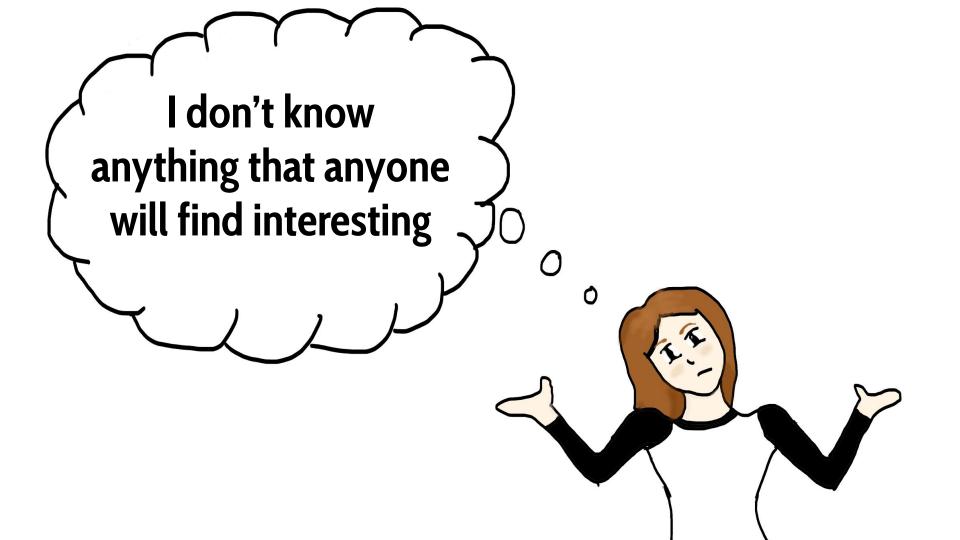
### How To Talk Really, Really Good



(and how to get the chance to)



# Nothing is easy until you know it

- It's easy to dismiss the things you've learnt as easy
- What do you get excited about?
- What lessons did you learn?
- What can be learnt from your experience?

#### **But you** could also learn something new...

- Some people find fear a great motivator
- But remember: You must be prepared enough for questions. Learning content takes time.



- Who are you
- What's your experience in this area?
- Something fun

#### Bio (Tech talk)

Jessica is a software developer, international speaker & avid learner. Topics that they are interested in include community building, monitoring and continuous improvement of systems.

They have been involved and lead a number of projects relating to continuous improvement, diagnostics and metrics including introducing standards across teams.

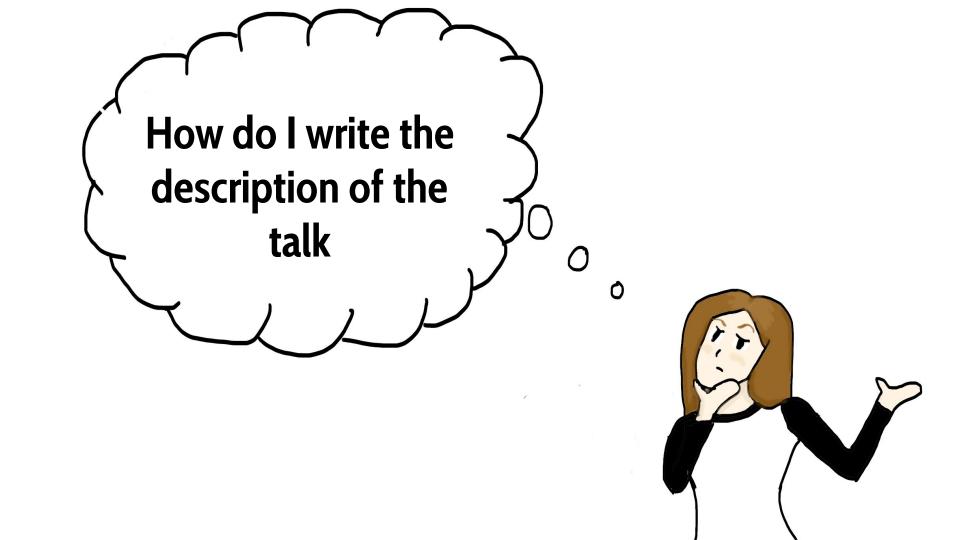
Before switching to technology, they spent a previous life as a neuroscientist. They are easily bribed with coffee & loves hearing about other people's experiences.

#### Bio (WiT talk)

Jessica is a software developer, international speaker & avid learner.

They founded and organised Women In Tech Nottingham from 2015 to 2017, a meetup that continues today with over 40 regular members. Currently, they are a Director and Co-Founder of DDD East Midlands, a technology conference which will take place in 2019.

Before switching to technology, they spent a previous life as a neuroscientist. They are easily bribed with coffee & loves hearing about other people's experiences.



#### **Be Clear**

- Purpose
- Grammar
- Plain English

## Why will people care?

- How is the talk useful?
- Who is it useful to?

### How is it different?

What makes this different from the other talks?



## What value do you add?

- Will your audience take anything from this talk?
- Can it be applied or is it just entertainment?

#### The Proposal

- Hook & what problem are you solving.
- Briefly, what does the talk include?
- Who is it useful for & last hook.

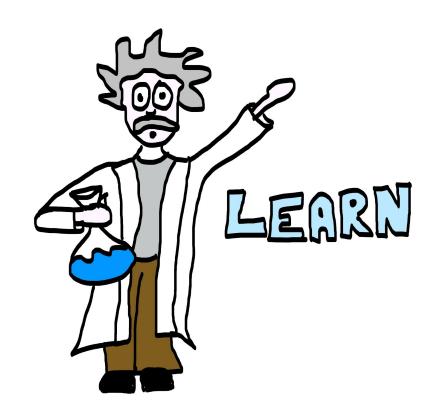




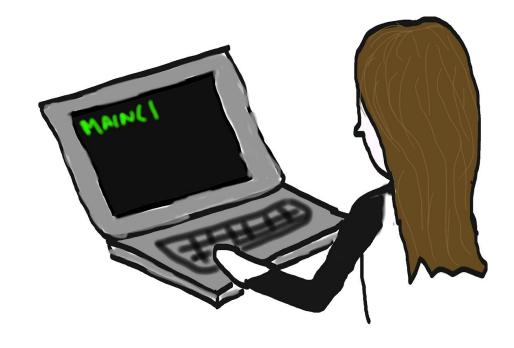
#### **Secret Tip**

 Don't worry about writing the talk until it's accepted

#### Mentorship



#### Workshop





## Clear points

- Write out what you want to cover
- Can you clearly talk about all the material in the time you have?
- Do you need more depth in any areas?

## Thinking about flow

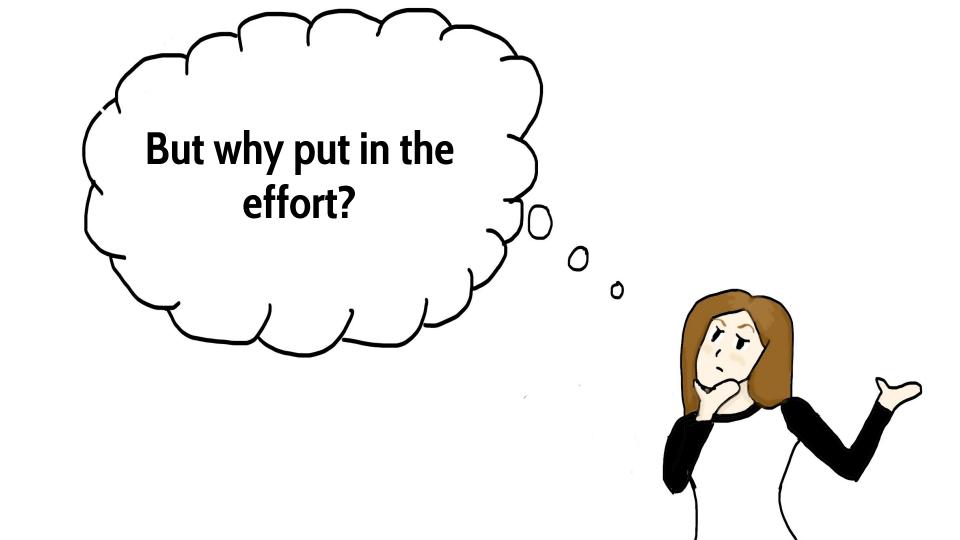
- Organise your thoughts
- Story telling technique
- Do all your points make sense and fit?

#### Accessibility

- Capitalisation & dyslexia
- Not too much text
- Colour Blindness
- Language

#### Rehearse

- Rehearse the full thing
- Rehearse the bits you falter on individually
- Cut back on your notes
- Timing and pacing tricks
- Do what's right for you.



Little acts of rebellion lead to greatness

## Building it up

- Asking a question at an event
- Asking the first question at an event
- Attending events
- Volunteering
- Talk at a meetup
- Talk at a conference



Little things have lead to a lot.



## Make friends



Challenge yourself & learn



## Make your CV shine



### {ddd!} east midlands











# See you there! {dd!} east midlands

Talk to us on Twitter: Or by email:

@dddeastmidlands
sponsor@dddeastmidlands.com

@JessPWhite jessica@dddeastmidlands.com

@allmobro moreton@dddeastmidlands.com