**BEING A GREAT EMCEE**

**Least favorite**

 Mumbler

 Apologizer

 Fast Talker

 Kindergarten teacher

 Canned dialogue

**You are the image of your group**

 55% posture and body language

 38% tone of your voice

 7% what you say

**Body Language**

 Confident and purposeful walk to microphone – stop, smile, speak

 Don’t do half-hearted physical gesture

 Look comfortable (practice) Never let them see you sweat

 DON’T look over heads – it really doesn’t work

 Don’t expect the microphone to do all the work. Speak in a loud clear voice.

 Look and sound spontaneous

 No written script – when writing a script write the ending first and then decide how to get there.

 Know your audience – and don’t be offensive. Women REALLY cannot get away with “smutty” jokes. Any doubt – leave it out.

 Correct grammar is nice

 NO INSIDE JOKES

 Create a file box for each song in your repetiore but then customize it for your audience. (Nursing home, retirement home, civic organization, group of professional people)

 **NO PURSES – NO WATER BOTTLES**