



### **Dealing with Questions in Presentations- Politeness Competition Game**

*Choose one of the phrases below and take turns making it longer and more polite. You can change the words there as much as you like as long as the function remains the same. Stop whenever everyone gives up making it more so or the attempts are not as long or polite as those that came before, then discuss which was actually the best phrase.*

Ask me questions, please!

Yes, you. Ask me your question.

Please let other people ask questions.

I've already answered that question.

I already told you that in the presentation.

Wait. I have that information in my notes.

Wait. That's on a slide.

I'm going to talk about that later.

Your question is off topic.

The other people aren't interested in your question.

I don't know.

It's... or something like that.

I can't tell you. It's a secret.

Your question shows that you have the wrong opinion on this.

I can't understand your question.

I know I said... but...

Let me finish this first.

I forgotten what I was saying before you interrupted me.

You've made us go off topic.

I'll never finish if there are more interruptions.

You look like you don't understand. No questions? Really?