

TED Talk Exemplars

Professional TED Talk Examples

- [How to deconstruct racism, one headline at a time](#) | Baratunde Thurston
- [Hole in The Wall](#) Sugata Mitra
- [We Need to Talk About An Injustice](#) Bryan Stevenson
- [The Best Stats You've Ever Seen](#) Hans Rosling
- [The Muslim On The Airplane](#) Amal Kassir
- [My Stroke Of Insight](#) Jill Bolte Taylor
- [Girl Up: The Secrets to an Extraordinary Life](#) | Courtney Ferrell
- [The guerilla gardener in South Central LA](#) by Ron Finely

Past Animas Student TED Talk Exemplars

The following is a list of excellent TED talks from the last two years. It includes many of the finalists for the best talk award. Some will be more useful for your specific talk than others, so we included the topic and a brief reason it is included on this list. ***Remember, most of these students did not have to include their action project, so please note the difference in content expectations!***

Rollin Leavitt - NOD2 and Crohn's This is a great example of a complex scientific talk brought to an appropriate level for a non-technical audience. Izzy Simpson - A New Theory Explaining Market Fluctuations A complex economic theory, best for looking at innovative content. Claire Leffler - Patterns in Nature and in Human Creations A visually stunning presentation that combines mathematics and visual arts. Lily Bisantz - Debunking Feminism and Sexuality An emotionally powerful presentation on a social issue. Will Klumpenhower - Operation Mincemeat An engaging presentation on a historical event, and a good use of humor Nat Prugh - Linguistics	Amaya Holliday- Why are minority and low-income students underperforming and how should public schools address this? Jade Robbins - To what extent is there a genetic, sociological, and historical link between 'madness' and creativity? **This is an example of a TED Talk that included the action project. A very innovative take on TED format, Jade interviewed herself. This shows a window into how you can play with the format and create something unique. Rosie Gurnee - What is the potential of community gardens to improve upon America's welfare state? What is the feasibility of and or political avenues through which this framework might come to fruition? Taylor Schermer - Does the LEED certification system adequately achieve its goals of encouraging green building construction while
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This talk stands out for its genuine enthusiasm, as well as providing a good example of unique content made accessible.

[Sarah Von Tersch](#) - The Economics of Cartels

This talk was an excellent use of an academic structure to discuss a seemingly non-academic topic.

[Lydia Blaisdell](#) - Solo Backpack Trip in Dark Canyon

- A good example of how to discuss a personal experience in a meaningful way. This was the first TED Talk of AHS history that incorporated both the thesis and action project.

maintaining a symbiotic relationship with the environment through certification?

[Billie Brand](#) - How does news media use framing to shape perspective on immigrants and what are the effects of this on immigration policy?

[2021 TED Talks Finalists](#)

Good Example of Visuals in a Powerpoint: See [Finn Stowers' Power Point slides](#)-- note there is no mention of his action project as this was before we had TED Talks *after* Action Projects. However, this is a good example of professional slides that uses visuals effectively.