DRAFTING YOUR ELEVATOR SPEECH LONG OUTLINE WORKSHEET

I. INTRODUCTION: (Attention Step)

- a. Grab the listener's attention: (Establish a friendly feeling and arouse audience curiosity.)
- b. Tell the listener where you are going:
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II. BODY

| 1. | Talking Point #1 <i>(Ex. Why Me?)</i> a. Argument: (Need Step) |
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| | b. Proof and/or illustration: (Satisfaction Step) |
| | c. So what? What this means to you is (Visualization Step) |
| 2. | Talking Point #2 (Ex. Why My Organization/Company?) a. Argument: (Need Step) |
| | b. Proof and/or illustration: (Satisfaction Step) |
| | c. So what? What this means to you is (Visualization Step) |
| 3. | Talking Point #3 (Ex. Why Now?) |
| | a. Argument: (Need Step)b. Proof and/or illustration: (Satisfaction Step) |
| | c. So what? What this means to you is (Visualization Step) |
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| 111. | CONCLUSION: WRAP UP (TRANSITION INTO ACTION STEP) |
| * | Reiterate the three points (Conclude the Visualization Step.) |
| * | Optional: Suggest a couple of intriguing topics that you can discuss with the listener in your next appointment (Give them a reason to want to hear more.) |
| IV. | CLOSE: CALL TO ACTION (Action Step) |
| | a. Make your offer of service. State what you want to happen as a result of your elevator speech. (For example: "It is my goal to learn more about your needs and how I might be of service to your company, so that we might work together in some capacity long term.") This serves as a soft transition to your close. |
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| | b. Ask for the next appointment time, referral, lead, introduction, next step, opportunity, or whatever will help you initiate the <i>Elevator Speech Effect</i> . |
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