I will be grading your talks primarily on content and clarity.

To achieve the maximum score in content, you may do the following:

• Present a topic in Discrete Math approved by me.
• Exercise good time management - this is especially difficult for the 20 minute talks!
• Present a theorem related to the chosen topic along with the necessary definitions and examples.
• Give some applications of the theorem to other problems. I prefer applications that are not obviously related to the theorem or general topic, but presenting such applications is not always feasible.
• Compare your theorem with similar theorems (if applicable).

To achieve the maximum score in clarity, you may do the following:

• Provide examples with an appropriate amount of complexity. As a general rule of thumb, you should present the simplest “non-trivial” example.
• Make good use of board space or slides.
• Speak directly to the audience. Keep in mind that the chalk board is a visual aid and brief record of the talk. The actual talk takes place in the minds of the audience.
• Organize your talk so that it flows naturally from one idea to the next.
• Maintain a good tempo.