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**Re: Part Two - Adding audio content to the discussion**by [Roxanne MacDonald](#) - Saturday, 22 January 2000, 07:50 PM

This is a college history class. Editorial comments that have nothing to do with the material at hand are unnecessary. AD Hominem commentary about the people presenting the material is unnecessary. Both communicate more about the student rather than the professors, historians or material and do not speak in the positive. In this class, I don't believe its expecting too much of students to be polite and thoughtful in their replies. A person's voice has absolutely nothing to do with the material being presented.

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**Re: Part Two - Adding audio content to the discussion**by [Brittanie McMurren](#) - Saturday, 22 January 2000, 08:56 PM

Neither Gary Nash nor the man that interviewed him will ever know that college students attending Lane Community College thought they were boring.

I disagree with you. I think a person's speaking voice has a lot to do with the material being presented. Gary Nash doesn't even sound interested in what he is discussing, so why should I take him seriously? The man interviewing him sounds more excited about the topic than Nash.

If Obama wasn't such a good orator, do you think people would have paid as much attention to everything he had to say?

That may be far fetched, and I know Obama has nothing to do with this forum, but it helps prove my point that without an interesting speaking voice, one is less likely to take an interest in the topic at hand.

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**Re: Part Two - Adding audio content to the discussion**by [Roxanne MacDonald](#) - Saturday, 22 January 2000, 10:30 PM

Brittanie,

You are of course, entitled to your opinion. You asked, "why should I take him seriously?" Because the instructor of a class, you signed up for, has included listening of the interview as part of an assignment. As Mr Escobar has stated several times he does not assign material or present material at random. There is a reason behind it.

The phrasing of the posts in this forum, then, can be equated to the interviewer's and your economics instructor (both of whom you personally criticize) speaking voice.

Reiterating my earlier post, this is a college class. This is a forum where intelligent and thoughtful discussions are encouraged by our instructor. Enough said.

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**Re: Part Two - Adding audio content to the discussion**by [Brittanie McMurren](#) - Saturday, 22 January 2000, 11:29 PM

Yes, I **am** entitled to my opinions, as is everyone else in this forum; therefore, if you are going to voice your opinions on why us college students shouldn't criticize a historians voice, you better expect that someone like me is going to voice my opinion rather than keep quiet so you can tell us how to act as college students.

I apologize to everyone reading this because it is all completely out of context to the original discussion. However, I am not one to sit idly by and let another **student** act as though he/she is the instructor. If I get points taken off for this post, so be it (No, that is not a challenge, it is a risk I am willing to take).

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