



Designing PowerPoint Slides

BACKGROUND

Power Point slides continue to be a part of medical education for sharing content in an organized, easily accessible format. Teachers who consider the intend of their slides, minimize unnecessary content, develop an organized format or “story” and avoid common “death by PowerPoint mistakes,” can maximize the impact of their slides for learning.

SUGGESTIONS

Choose and set up a slide design (and repeatedly use same design for future lectures)

- Save time by choosing a basic slide design (e.g., [PowerPoint and poster templates with the MCG seal](#))
- Backgrounds with darker or lighter solid colors and with graphics/images that do not take up too much space
- Insert common sections (e.g., title page, objectives, sections, breaks, key points, cited references)
- Set up the margins by widening text boxes to both edges of the slide
- Choose a sans serif font to improve readability (e.g., Helvetica, Arial, Geneva, Calibri)
- Minimize use of too many transitions or sound effects

Avoid common Power Point mistakes

Font color too similar to background color

Recc → Black or dark font on white or lighter background; white or light font on darker background.
Recc → use monochromatic background.
Recc → If content needed for learners to review, create separate slides for handout)

Causes of Noise Pollution

- Traffic Noise
- Air craft Noise
- Noise from construction and civil engineering works.
- Noise from the Industries.
- Noise from other sources.

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Too much content on a slide

Recc → list key points and elaborate on them; use more than one slide)

TOO MUCH TEXT.

Stocks tumbled Tuesday – with the Nasdaq taking a pounding – as the political standoff in Washington continued and the partial government shutdown stretched into its eighth day.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 159.71 points, or 1.1%, to 14,776.53 and the Standard & Poor's 500 index dropped 20.67 points, or 1.2% to 1,655.45. It was the 11th loss in the last 14 days, and the S&P 500's biggest drop in six weeks.

The Nasdaq composite plunged 75.54 points, or 2%, to 3,694.83.

Anxiety over an Oct. 17 deadline to raise the nation's debt ceiling is starting to eat away at investor sentiment as compromise in Washington remains absent, says Pat Adams, a portfolio manager at Choice Investment Management.

- Aside from the theatrics in Washington, investors will also be paying close attention Tuesday to the unofficial start of the third-quarter earnings season.
- After the closing bell, aluminum maker Alcoa and fast-food chain Yum Brands will report.
- Analysts are expecting companies in the S&P 500 to grow their earnings 4.3% vs. the same quarter a year ago.

On Saturday, he signed several such bills, most prominently legislation stopping local law officers from detaining immigrants and transferring them to federal authorities unless they have committed certain serious crimes. And he agreed in August to let non-citizens monitor polls for elections.

Some legal scholars had said that the measure raised profound questions about what rights and responsibilities belonged to citizens alone, and a number of newspapers published editorials urging the governor to veto the bill after the Democratic-controlled Legislature passed it, with most Republicans opposing it.

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Illegible tables and images

Recc → select images with larger pixel sizes*; crop images to the section most important; recreate key parts of a table)

Immunization Guidelines

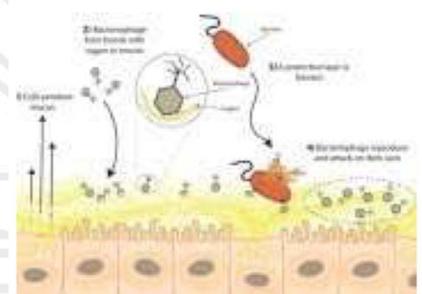
FIGURE 3. Catch-up immunization schedule for persons aged 0 months–18 years who start late or who are more than 1 month behind—United States, 2016.

Vaccine	Age	Number of doses	Notes
MM2	0 months	2	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	12 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	15 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	18 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	24 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	36 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	48 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	60 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	72 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	84 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	96 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	108 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	120 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	132 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	144 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	156 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	168 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.
MM2	180 months	1	MM2 (MM1 and MM2) should be given at the same time. The second dose should be given at least 4 weeks after the first dose.

Too many items and font too small

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Immunization



Enlarged image becomes fuzzy

* Search Google for an image, click “tools,” then “size,” then “larger than,” select 800x600. And cite image source on the slide in small font.

Consider using images to tell a story rather than sentences. Select images of people, places, conditions be mindful to look for images that represent diversity as oppose dot images that look more like teacher

WANT MORE?

[Using Active Learning Approach](#)

[Aprezi](#), a story board alternative to Power Point

[Polling Your Audience with TurningPoint Software \(PowerPoint or Anywhere\)](#)

REFERENCES

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