



Extreme Toastmasters #595201  
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## Diverse Learning: An E.T. Art

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The more experiences we have, the more opportunities we have to learn. The broader backgrounds of people we are around, the more opportunities we have to gain new experiences we couldn't have from our own background alone. The wider variety of people we surround ourselves with, the more opportunities we have to achieve.

That's why Extreme Toastmasters (E.T.) has always been a place where people with a wide variety of backgrounds get together to learn together. And they all have one thing in common: a burning desire to build real-world skills.

Some E.T. members are entrepreneurs, out to develop their sales pitches. For them, it's all about speaking off the cuff, engaging the audience instantly, and refining their message so it's catchy and compelling. And at E.T., they find the speaking opportunities to develop these all-necessary skills in the Question of the Day, Table Topics, and in-depth discussions in the Evaluation Roundtable.

Others are between jobs, looking to build their networking connections, and learning how to handle that most difficult of interview questions: "Tell me something about yourself." And with the help of the pre-meeting discussions, the "tell me how you found out about us" question, and the Icebreaker, they discover that they DO have something



interesting and important to say, and that they no longer need to be "tongue-tied" when they go into even the most stressful interview.

And E.T. meetings are packed with leadership opportunities, for those members who want to push themselves to go further, achieve more, and be "ahead of the pack." Every part of the E.T. meeting has a role assigned to it, each one demanding the person doing the role be attentive, alert, and actively involved with the meeting. There are also officer roles available for those who want to excel the most at E.T. At E.T., diverse, in-depth learning opportunities come easily!

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