

Listening Effectively

Active Listening:

* **Active Listening** involves using strategies to better understand oral texts.

* Here are some strategies that you can use to become an *active* listener:

- 1) Make *connections* with what you are hearing.
(i.e. text-to-self, text-to-text or text-to-world connections.)
- 2) Visualize the information.
- 3) Ask relevant questions of the speaker or yourself to keep yourself focused.
- 4) Repeat or summarize what you hear.
- 5) Identify point of view.

* You need to experiment with the different strategies to find out which one works best for you.

* You may use only one of the above strategies or a variety of them to become the best *active* listener that you can be!