Ideas for presentations

* components of documentation and prioritization thereof
* writing systems; orthography design
* collaborative vs. solo documentation efforts
* collaborating with a community; building community relationships
* elicitation methods
* field notes and (audio vs. video) recordings; data management; work flow; automating work flow, achieving greater efficiency while maintaining high quality data gathering
* archiving
* texts—glossing, disseminating
* dictionaries
* technology—FLEx, Elan, Elpis, Saymore
* grant-writing
* revitalization: lg death prevention; changing attitudes/building esteem re a language; designing and preparing pedagogical materials
* finding speakers/consultants

Things you might want to include in your presentation

# Basic information about the language

* language family
* typological characteristics of the language or language family
* any areal phenomena
* previous work on the language or a related language
* other scholars currently studying the language or a related language, and your relationship

# Graphics

* map showing the location of the language
* one or more photos of yourself in the field situation

# Your investigation

* goal (or goals) of your field research
* funding sources for your project
* research accomplishments to date

# Consultants

* number of speakers (or signers) of your language
* how you found your speakers
* their linguistic competence (languages they know)
* how you communicate (the language of your fieldwork)
* consultants’ strengths and weaknesses

# Personal issues

Any tricky inter-personal/political situations with

* other linguists
* community members (e.g. do they like having linguists in the community?)
* speakers (e.g. jealousy among speakers)?
* the country

# Work flow

* frequency of fieldwork
* note-taking methods, medium
* recordings
* audio and/or video?
* organization/metadata
* data organization (technology)
* archiving: where, how often
* anything logistically special about your field situation (e.g. power source, internet access, medical)

# Global

* most difficult aspect of your fieldwork (linguistic, logistical, socio-economic)
* most enjoyable aspect of your fieldwork