

Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest

Division: _____

Contestant: _____

State: _____

Topic Drawn: _____

Circle the points that indicate your evaluation of this entry. Scores of 9-10 are superior, 7-8 are slightly above average, 4-6 are average and 1-3 are below average. Feel free to note observations that may be helpful to contestants in preparing for future speaking contests.

- | | Lowest | | | | | | | | | Highest |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1. Analysis of Topic | | | | | | | | | | |
| Is the purpose made clear? Is there a clear thesis? Does the speaker stick to the general and exact purpose of the topic? Does the speaker answer the question drawn? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Comments:</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Organization & Content | | | | | | | | | | |
| Is there an effective introduction? Is there an organized body that is appropriate to the purpose of the topic? Are transitions used? Is the organization clear? Do the main points have enough evidence to support them? Is there an effective conclusion? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Comments:</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Language & Delivery | | | | | | | | | | |
| Is the language direct and informal? Is there a conversational approach? Does the speaker utilize proper pronunciation and articulation? Does the speaker's voice have an appropriate volume and pitch? Is the delivery performed at a desirable rate? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Comments:</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Presentation | | | | | | | | | | |
| Does the speaker maintain eye contact with the audience? Are movements and gestures natural, purposeful and spontaneous? Does the speaker display natural facial expression? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Comments:</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Total Effectiveness | | | | | | | | | | |
| Does the speaker convey confidence and poise? Does he or she have a good personal appearance and body posture? Does the speaker keep the audience's attention? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Comments:</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Response to Questions | | | | | | | | | | |
| Is the speaker able to answer the questions? Does the response indicate originality, familiarity with the subject and the ability to think quickly? | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Comments:</i> | | | | | | | | | | |

*Time: _____

Total Points: _____

Ranking: _____

*A ½ point per 10 seconds will be deducted if the speech is under 2 minutes or over 6 minutes.

Judge: _____