

INTERNATIONAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS' PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING

Directions: Please write comments if there is sufficient time. These sheets will be returned to the students at the end of the tournament. When the round is over, please give ballot to the timekeeper.

Contestants Name : _____ Contestants Code: _____

Round: One ___ Two ___ Final ___

Scoring Guidelines

50 - 59
Poor

60 - 69
Weak

70 - 79
Average

80 - 89
Very Good

90 - 100
Superb

Category	Score
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Adherence to Statement of Topic	[max = 10]
Organization	[max = 20]
Appeal to Audience	[max = 20]
Aptness of Supportive Material	[max = 20]
Delivery (ie. voice, eye contact, gestures)	[max = 30]

Total Points	[max = 100]
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Length of Speech: _____.	Time Penalty (if any) _____.
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FINAL SCORE	
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Note: If the sum of the categories doesn't equal the total score, we will assume that we should use the overall total unless you check here: _____ use the sum of the categories

Comments:

Judge: _____

Room: _____

Number of Judges in the room: _____

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- Each speaker will draw three topics, which may be words, quotations, phrases, statements or some combination of the four. The speaker then has two minutes to prepare, during which time they must decide which of the three they will speak on and to prepare comments.
- Competitors may sit or stand while preparing, but must remain in the room. Competitors may make notes, although these may not be used when speaking.
- Competitors may speak in favour of the topic, against it or about it. They may interpret it within reason. They must, however, deal with the topic that they have been given and not use a previously prepared speech on a barely related theme. Wit, humour, philosophy, sentiment or absurdity, are all equally welcome. Judges will be looking for agility of thought, for "meat on the bones", for organisational ability and, above all, for the ability of each speaker to communicate with style and originality. Competitors must speak as themselves and not adopt a persona nor must they be seen to be making use of previously prepared material.
- At the end of the speech, competitors must hand the topics back to the chairman and the chair must then read out the topic that was chosen.
- Each competitor must speak for 3 to 5 minutes. There will be a time penalty of 2 points for speeches up to 15 seconds under 3 minutes or up to 15 seconds over 5 minutes. There will be a time penalty of 10 points for speeches over 5 minutes and 15 seconds or from 16 to 30 seconds under 3 minutes and a time penalty of 25 points for speeches under 2 minutes and 30 seconds.
- Salutation is optional.