

Public Speaking Competition Rubric

Competitor's Name: _____ **Grade:** _____ **Topic:** _____

	Criteria	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Mark
1	States Purpose	purpose not evident	purpose apparent	-clear purpose -captures listeners' attention	-clear, precise purpose -captures listeners' attention -relevant to audience	
2	Organizes Content	lacks organization	transitions evident	-organized logically -fluid transitions -holds attention of listener	-organized clearly and logically -fluid transitions -motivates listener	
3	Supports Relevant Ideas	unsupported by additional relevant information/explanation	provides basic, relevant details	important/relevant details add interest	important/relevant details add interest and depth	
4	Voice	monotone	some inflection	good inflection	use of inflection maintains interest of audience	
5	Appropriate Vocabulary	awkward or inappropriate for topic	provides clarity/ avoids confusion	-descriptive and accurate -engages listener through imagery	-descriptive, clear and accurate -engages listener through imagery -brings depth	
6	Pacing	too fast or too slow	delivery is in bursts	delivery is patterned	delivery is patterned, fluid and meets the time comfortably	
7	Poise	obviously tense and nervous	-displays mild tension -has trouble recovering from mistakes	-displays little or no tension -makes minor mistakes and quickly recovers from them	-relaxed, confident nature about self -no mistakes	
8	Eye Contact	no eye contact	minimal eye contact	consistent use of eye contact with audience	holds attention of entire audience with direct eye contact	
9	Body Language	no movement or descriptive gestures	little movement or descriptive gestures	movements/gestures enhance articulation	movements seem fluid and help audience visualize	
10	Summarizes Main Ideas	concludes without summary	conclusion summarizes main ideas	conclusion unites important points	conclusion unites important points and motivates future discussion	
11	Judges' Question	unable to answer the question appropriately;	answers the question with some accuracy and nervously	answers the question accurately	accurately answers the question with much confidence and ease	10
TOTAL MARKS						50

-2 marks if speech is under 3 minutes or over 5 minutes