

FLORIDA FORENSIC LEAGUE
SPEAKER CRITIQUE SHEET FOR IE / SPEECH EVENTS

Round: 1 2 3 4 5 Q S F

Event: Declamation

Speaker's Name: _____ Code: _____

Room #: _____ Title/Topic of Performance: _____

Judge Instructions:

Please use the space below to write substantive comments about the performance of the speaker. If you run out of room continue your comments on the other side. It is important that you identify both areas of strength and areas for improvement. We have provided criteria to use in your evaluation of the speaker. Questions regarding rules of the event may be answered in the FFL Judging Manual or by the tournament official at the ballot check-in table. Evaluate the speaker using the following criteria. There is a ten minute maximum time limit (with 30 seconds grace). Please do not penalize unless you give clear time signals and are using a digital timer. There are to be no props or costumes.

Criteria For Evaluation

Judge Remarks

Introduction:

Are the title and author clearly stated? The introduction must name the work, author, provide necessary background information and establish the mood. Is the information relevant to and sufficient for the scene?

Presentation Style:

Did the speaker convey the message in a sincere, honest and realistic attempt to recreate the spirit of the original presentation? Was the message conveyed credibly and convincingly as if the words were the speaker's own? This event is an interpretation, not an impersonation.

Voice, Diction, and Delivery:

Is pronunciation acceptable?
Is enunciation distinct? Is the performer speaking clearly? Are pitch, rate, and volume appropriate? Is there enough vocal variety? Do gestures and expressions contribute to the interpretation of the material?

Physical Delivery:

Did the speaker do the following: vary facial Expression to accentuate the natural flow of thoughts and feelings, convey emotion through their eyes to communicate thinking and feeling, make eye contact with the audience? Were the speaker's movements controlled without being distracting? Movement if used should be motivated by transitions in thought or mood. Gestures should be visible, effectively used for emphasis, and varied.

Overall Effect:

Does the speaker project an understanding of the speech's message?
Does the speaker instill in the audience a concern for the speech's content?
The original speaker's message should not be overshadowed by the Delivery. Consideration should be given to the oratorical merit of The selection.

RANKS & POINTS

Judges: See the Master Ballot of the Florida Forensic League Judging Manual if you have questions about assigning ranks & points

This speaker earned a rank of _____ out of _____ speakers in this round. (Ranks are 1-6/7; no ties)

This speaker earned a total of _____ points in this round. (Points are 80 - 100); ties are permitted)

Judge Signature: _____ School Name: _____

Judges Please Print Your Name: _____