

EXTEMPORANEOUS

JUDGE WORKSHEET



NAME OF JUDGE _____

ROOM _____ ROUND# _____

Extemporaneous is a limited preparation event where the speaker is given a limited amount of time to prepare a speech on a current event topic.

Judging Rules

- The speech must be an original work prepared during the designated prep time.
- Topics are posed as questions which refer to events in the news during the past 90 days. Topics are categorized as either international or domestic and rounds should alternate between these two categories. Tournaments may add a separate, discretionary category to include economic or cultural/diverse questions.
- Speakers will report to the Extemp Prep room at their designated time to draw their questions. Students have 30 minutes from their assigned prep time until their scheduled speaking time.
- Speakers may refer to published books, magazines, newspaper articles, and other written sources during prep time. They may make notes on one 3x5 card to insure they have accurate information to use in citing sources they will use in their speech.
- Computers may not be used during prep time. Speakers may not bring prepared speech outlines into the prep room nor ask for prep help or advice from anyone.
- Access to the Extemp Prep Room is controlled by the Prep Room Director during the competition round, and speakers will comply with access protocols, escort procedures, and other directions from the Room Director.
- A clock or other timepiece is to be visible to the speaker during prep time.
- Unused preparation time may not be added to the speaking time.
- All judges will have a list of topics for the round.
- The student must state the chosen question early in the speech. A one rank penalty is required for failure to do so.
- Students must answer the chosen question. The question should be the central theme of the speech. A one rank penalty is required for failure to do so.
- Props, audiovisuals, and gratuitous vulgarity are not allowed.
- Speakers may not listen to other Extemporaneous speakers before speaking themselves. They may remain in the room after giving their speech.
- Humor and satire are permitted.
- Only feet are permitted to touch the floor at any time.
- Students are permitted to express opinions which are contrary to those of the judge.
- Each speech should be evaluated on the quality of the analysis and presentation, not the opinions presented.
- Time limit: 30 minutes preparation time; 7 minutes maximum speaking time. There is no minimum time.

Tabulation Worksheet Instructions

- Rank presentations according to preference, 1 being the best, 2 being second best, etc., in the *Original Rank* column.
- Record penalties from the violations portion of the ballot in the *Penalties in Rank* column. Record a zero for no penalties.
- For violations requiring a penalty, the Ballot Checkers will assist you with the *Re-Ranking* and *Final Rank* columns.
- If there are no violations, fill in the *Final Rank* column.
- Circle the final rank on each corresponding ballot.

NAME OF SPEAKER	TOPIC	ORIGINAL RANK	PENALTIES IN RANK	RE-RANKING	FINAL RANK
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