

# ILLUSTRATED ORATORY



## JUDGE WORKSHEET

NAME OF JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_

ROOM \_\_\_\_\_ ROUND# \_\_\_\_\_

*An Illustrated Oratory is an original platform speech which informs or explains a particular topic with the use of visual aids.*

### Judging Rules

- The speaker will present a speech which informs or explains a topic of their choosing. Fabricated subjects are not allowed.
- Humor and satire are permitted. Gratuitous vulgarity is not allowed.
- No costumes or visual aids may be worn during the speech.
- The only visual aids allowed are an easel that stands on the floor and 3 to 10 illustrated boards measuring no larger than 20 inches by 30 inches. An optional box to contain additional visual aids, if used, must be attached to the back of the easel, and must have overall dimensions (L+W+H = overall dimensions) no larger than 30 inches with the lid on.
- The student must begin and end the speech with only a blank board visible to the judges. All other visual aids must be out of sight of the judges before the speech starts and by the time the speech ends.
- No electronic audiovisuals are allowed. No visual aids can be used to intentionally make sounds during the speech.
- Speakers may not use another person or live animal as a visual aid.
- Visual aids may not be or be perceived to be weapons to the casual observer.
- 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.
- Directly quoted material may comprise a maximum of 30% of the total words in the speech.
- All outside sources must be cited within the speech. This refers to direct quotations, theories, concepts, and general ideas. Citations for board illustrations would be included on the board.
- No notes or prompting are allowed.
- Use of a script is allowed at a Qualifying Tournament, Regional Invitational or National Open but requires a penalty of two ranks.
- No set up is allowed during the judges' evaluation time between speakers.
- Time begins when the speaker begins speaking and ends when the speaker has finished speaking.
- Assistance with boards or the preassembled easel is not permitted before, during, or after the speech.
- Speakers must leave the speaking area in the same condition as they found it.
- Audience laughter, which extends the time of a piece, should not penalize the speaker.
- Time limit: 10-minute maximum; 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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