

# Prose/Poetry Comment Sheet

SAMPLE



Contestant Name Alfredo Antu Code 593

Round Finals Section 1 Speaker Time 5:15

Selection Title Gentle Giant

Judge Name Anona Da Judge Affiliation City High School

**Directions:** Using the prompts below, please provide constructive feedback to the competitor. Your comments should highlight areas of strength as well as provide areas for growth. Be as specific as possible in your feedback. Use the space to expand your thoughts on any of these areas or to comment on specific moments or lines that stood out to you. Please do not comment on participants' attire or appearance; this should not play a role in your decision.

## Performance

*Is the presenter comfortable and commanding in the space? Does the presenter's use of physicality, facial expression, and gestures enhance the performance?*

*Performance - Performer appears to be comfortable and uses facial expressions to convey emotion and character well - very realistic and believable. Could benefit from more "book tech" or using the book as part of your character choices. Use page flips to punctuate your performance! At times you bend over too far and that makes it difficult to see your facial expressions.*

## Vocalization

*Does the presenter bring the words to life? In Prose: does the presenter's use of vocal qualities like diction, pausing, and volume advance the narrative? In Poetry: does the presenter's use of vocal qualities like rhythm, pacing, and volume advance the performance?*

*Vocalization - Vocal choices work well to bring the main character to life. Particularly like the moments with the character's voice cracks to show nervousness and excitement. Makes him more endearing and relatable.*

## Cutting

*Is the theme or narrative easy to follow throughout the selection of literature? Does the selection flow well and make sense in terms of how it's developed?*

*Cutting - This piece is clear, well cut, and easy to follow. The ending is so hopeful and endearing. It is fun to see the character's emotional journey while speaking to Kelly at the locker (the range from excitement, to hopeful, and back to happiness).*

*General Feedback/Suggestion - Go even further with your character choices - perhaps give Kelly a more specific vocal quality and physicality. Your main character is so clear that you could add an additional layer to this performance by bringing more clarity to Kelly (and perhaps even to the brothers - even though they are such a small part).*

**Reason for Decision:** *(Why did this performance earn the rank that you assigned?)*

*Great job overall - your performance was genuine and truly drew me in!*

Contestant Rank 1 / 6

Speaker Points 95 (out of 100)

Judge Signature Anona Da