

Impromptu Speaking Comment Sheet

SAMPLE



Contestant Name Young Myeong Code T24

Round 4 Section 2 Speaker Time 6:58

Question/Prompt "All's well that ends well"

Judge Name Marietta Stone Judge Affiliation Hired

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.

Organization

Does the student have a clear structure to their speech? Are transitions used to move effectively between each part of the speech? Does the development of the speech make sense?

Analysis

Does the student directly address the prompt? Does the student develop justifications for their ideas and establish significance to the points?

Delivery

Does the student use voice, movement, and expression effectively? Is the speaker confident? Is there consistent eye contact? Is the volume appropriate?

-I thought you did a wonderful job with the verbal element of your structure. I had an easy time following your analysis and a very clear idea of the arguments you were making. That said, work on balancing the time spent on verbal cues of structure with actual argumentation. Don't let one win over the other!

-Your first point was very well argued. I appreciated how clearly your example linked up to the argument you were making. Some work could have been done in your second point. There wasn't an explicit enough link between your argument and the example you used to prove it.

-Overall, this was very strong throughout the performance. Thank you for displaying such confidence in what can be a nerve-wracking event! Your ability to have a cohesive and fluent speaking style with such little preparation is remarkable.

-You have a good understanding of what it takes to be a successful Impromptu speaker. I would advise that you pay more attention to how you make the examples you use more relevant to the arguments you are making. The mark of a great Impromptu competitor is succinct argumentation that doesn't sacrifice depth. You're almost there, just keep working on it!

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

You gave a great speech, but in the end, one other person in the round had stronger argumentation with comparably skilled delivery.

Contestant Rank 2 / 6

Speaker Points 97 (out of 100)

Judge Signature Marietta Stone