

Impromptu

An original speech prepared in the moment, addressing a randomly drawn prompt

Speaker:	
Room:	
Judge:	
Round:	Duration: Event time 5:00

TOPIC		Evaluate 1 (poor)...5 (excellent)	Comments
IMPROMPTU			
Analysis: Keeps the prompt the central theme Creates interest in the topic Compelling illustrations and examples Demonstrates on-the-spot thinking	1 • • • 5		
Impact: Communicates theme and topic in a memorable way	1 • • • 5		
CONTENT			
Structure: States the prompt early Relevant and engaging introduction Clear thesis statement Organized content; smooth transitions Effective conclusion	1 • • • 5		
Rhetoric: Builds credibility with the audience (ethos) Explains concepts using reason (logos) Evokes appropriate emotional response (pathos)	1 • • • 5		
Language: Vocabulary; rhetorical devices/memorable language	1 • • • 5		
DELIVERY			
Vocal: Varies volume, rate, and inflection; conversational	1 • • • 5		
Physical: Authentic gestures and movement	1 • • • 5		
Facial: Eye contact; appropriate facial expressions	1 • • • 5		
OVERALL IMPRESSION			
Appearance: Poised; professional	1 • • • 5		
Manner: Confident; sincere	1 • • • 5		

PENALTIES: Overtime by 15 seconds (1 rank) _____ = Total penalty rank(s) _____
FINAL RANK WITHIN THE ROUND (<i>Circle One</i>)
<u>#1 First</u> <u>#2 Second</u> <u>#3 Third</u> <u>#4 Fourth</u> <u>#5 Fifth & Below</u>

PLEASE EXPLAIN REASON FOR RANKING ON THE BACK OF THE BALLOT