EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING

{ HOW TO JUDGE

- An Extemp speech is a 7-minute speech that answers a specific question usually related to current events
  - Economics, Politics, Foreign Affairs, etc.
- A speaker draws 3 questions, chooses 1, and then has 30 minutes to write and memorize his or her speech
- Speaker 1 will draw 30 minutes prior to the start of the round, Speaker 2 will draw 7 minutes later, etc.
- Extempers can consult evidence during prep time
  - During a speech, they should cite newspaper articles, magazines, journals, books, etc.

FORMAT

- Speeches should be up to 7 minutes (with a 30-second grace period), but there is no penalty for brevity—judge discretion may be used
- If a speech exceeds 7:30, the speaker cannot be ranked 1st in the round—further judge discretion may be used
- A speaker can use a single note card during a speech, but most will not

FORMAT

- An Extemp speech should take a firm position on the question drawn, and deliver a persuasive analysis of the topic
- Speakers should answer the question directly and provide meaningful analysis to support their answers
- Speakers can use anecdotes, case-studies, commentary, fact, as well as a variety of other techniques to deliver an effective speech

CONTENT

- Extempers may utilize gestures, movement,eye contact, and tone to deliver a good speech
- Speakers should be comfortable, and may be either formal or conversational
- Speakers should make their points and analysis clear to the judge

DELIVERY

- Judges are responsible for timing, and speakers may ask for time signals to pace their speeches
- 5-down time signals
  - With 5 minutes left, hold up 5 fingers
  - With 4 minutes left, hold up 4 fingers
  - 3 minutes left, 2 minutes left, 1 minute left
  - "C" at 30 seconds, fist at 0

JUDGING EXTEMP

- Look for positive and negative characteristics in the speaker's analysis, delivery, overall presentation
- During and after a speech, you should write critiques on a speaker's ballot
- Do not give feedback during a round, but you may if a student approaches you after
  - Do not disclose ranks

JUDGING EXTEMP

- A round will have 5, 6, or 7 speakers, all speaking on different topics
- As a judge, you will watch all speeches in a row, and rank them 1 (best), 2, and 3, with all other speakers receiving a 4
- After watching all speakers, first turn in the master ballot (the one with ranks) to a ballot runner
  - You may then finish writing on individual ballots if necessary

JUDGING EXTEMP

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING

{ HOW TO JUDGE

- An impromptu speaker has 7 minutes total to prep and give his or her speech
  - Includes 2 minutes optional prep time
- Speakers will draw 3 topics and choose 1, then begin prepping
- Most speakers in the round will be there for the entirety of the round, but some may enter late or leave early due to double entry

FORMAT

- Impromptu speaking can be informative, humorous, persuasive, etc.
- There is no set guideline for how a speaker must approach the speech
- Good impromptu speeches address the topic effectively and are entertaining to watch

CONTENT

- Impromptu is an individual event, so a judge will watch 5, 6, or 7 impromptu speeches before ranking them 1, 2, and 3, with all others receiving 4
- Students may or may not use note cards during their speeches

JUDGING IMPROMPTU

- Judges are responsible for timing, and speakers may ask for time signals to pace their speeches
- Time signals
  - With 4 minutes left, hold up 4 fingers
  - With 3 minutes left, hold up 3 fingers
  - 2 minutes left, 1 minute left
  - "C" at 30 seconds, fist at 0

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