



JUDGE WORKSHEET

Impromptu Apologetics

Judge: _____

Room: _____ Round: _____

Description of Event

Impromptu Apologetics is a limited preparation event. In advance of the tournament, the competitors will be given general topics for study. During competition a topic based upon the general area of study will be given to the competitor by the judge. The competitor will have a four-minute prep time during which he will prepare a speech on the given topic.

Guidelines

- Time limit is 6 minutes; no minimum time.
- The competitor is permitted only a Bible and a 3 X 5 file box to reference during the four-minute preparation time.
- The participant may use one index card for making notes on both sides and can choose to use it during the presentation.
- A Bible may not be used during the presentation.
- Participant must state the question word for word near the beginning of the speech and must adhere to the topic.
- The competitor shall cite at least one Biblical reference.
- At least one source of support other than the Bible shall be referenced by the competitor.
- The participant will be penalized for going over the time.
- No props, costumes, or audiovisuals may be used.
- Visual aids shall be prohibited.
- Note that the views expressed by the participants may be contrary to those of the judge. Your decision should be based on the criteria on the ballot, rather than a shared viewpoint.
- VIOLATIONS:
 - Failure to cite the topic results in a 1-rank penalty.
 - Exceeding the time limit results in a 1-rank penalty.

Judge Worksheet Instructions

1. Record the topic of each speaker as they present.
2. After they are finished, rank speakers by the point totals from the ballots. (1st place is noted by "1", 2nd place "2", etc.) Place these rankings in column 1. There can be no ties in rankings.
3. Record violations, if any (see above), in column 2. If no violations occur, go to step 4.
4. Add columns 1 and 2 and record in column 3, if applicable.
5. In column 4, record the final rank. Break ties from column 3 by advancing the participant with no or fewer violations. (For example, if two are tied for 3rd place, advance the speaker with no violations to 3rd place and the other speaker *with a violation* to 4th place.)
6. IMPORTANT step: after filling out column 4, go back to the ballots and circle the final rank that each speaker was awarded based upon this worksheet.

Name of speaker (in planned order)	Topic of speech	Column 1: Original rank	Column 2: Violations, if any	Column 3: Add columns 1 & 2	Column 4: Final Rank Break any ties

