BALLOT
IMPROMPTU

Speaker: _____

Round: _____ Section: _____ Room: _____

Judge Name: _____ Date: _____

Speech Topic: _____ Speech length (max. 5 min.): _____

¬ Circle a number to indicate your rating: 1 weak; 3 average; 5 superior. Criteria for making your decision are listed in each category. *Please provide comments under each category to enable the competitor to improve communication skills.* Your independent opinion is important, so please do not discuss this ballot with anyone.

CONTENT	PRESENTATION
Introduction: 1 2 3 4 5 • Grabs audience attention • Recites or reads quotation word-for-word • Presents clear thesis and previews main points COMMENTS:	**Vocal:** 1 2 3 4 5 • Utilizes variety of pitch, rate, volume, rhythm, inflection • Has clear enunciation and accurate pronunciation • Communicates conversationally and sincerely COMMENTS:
Body: 1 2 3 4 5 • Develops organization of thought and balance of ideas • Uses smooth transitions between thoughts • Responds to quotation in an interesting way • Includes supporting evidence, illustrations, examples COMMENTS:	**Physical:** 1 2 3 4 5 • Uses appropriate eye contact and facial expressions • Exhibits effective gestures, energy and passion • Delivers purposeful movement to enhance speech • Handles (optional) note card without being distracting COMMENTS:
Analysis and Conclusion: 1 2 3 4 5 • Reviews main points and relevance of quotation • Presents memorable ending; provides closure arguments • Ends speech within the allotted time frame COMMENTS:	**Overall:** 1 2 3 4 5 • Meets purpose by focusing on/responding to quotation • Maintains logical flow of supported ideas • Captures and engages the audience's attention COMMENTS:

∧ Total points from above; indicate any violations.

TOTAL POINTS:_____/30 VIOLATIONS: Quotation not stated_____ [1 rank] + Overtime_____ [1 rank] =_____Total violations

∨ First use Judge Worksheet to indicate final ranking after violations are accounted for; then circle this speaker's final rank.

FINAL RANK: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th & below

Judges' Signature:_____ THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORT!!