JUDGE WORKSHEET
JV Impromptu

Judge:_____

Room:_____   Round:_____

Description of Event

JV Impromptu Speaking is a limited preparation speech event in which the speaker is given a topic and then has three minutes to prepare a three-minute speech, after which (s)he then immediately presents it, with or without an optional index card.

Guidelines

- Time limit is 3 minutes; no minimum time.
- The participant may use one blank 3 X 5 index card for making notes and may use it during the presentation.
- Participant must state the subject near the beginning of the speech. Even though the subject must be the central theme of the speech, the speaker may approach the topic in any way (s)he chooses.
- The presentation must be confined to front and center of the presentation space.
- Content cannot violate Biblical principles but does not have to be spiritual in nature.
- No vulgarity, crude humor, or distasteful comments are allowed.
- Humor and satire may be woven into the piece.
- The participant will be penalized for going over the time, beyond finishing a sentence.
- Only feet are permitted to touch the floor at any time.
- No props, costumes, or audiovisuals may be used.
- 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 state the subject requires a 1-rank penalty.
    - Exceeding the time limit requires a 1-rank penalty (contestant may finish sentence).

Judge Worksheet Instructions

1. Record the topic of each speaker as they present.
2. When finished, rank speakers by the point totals from the ballots; speakers can have the same point values but must be ranked. (For example, two speakers have 26 points---choose a 1st and 2nd rank). 1st place is noted by "1", 2nd place "2", etc. Place these rankings in column 1.
3. Record violations, if any (see above), in column 2. If no violations occur, go to step 5.
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